

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-R-21**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF MARCH AS NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH AND MARCH 8TH AS INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, throughout the history of the United States, whether in the home, their workplace, school, the courts, or in wartime, women have fought for themselves, their families, and all people of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, even from the early days of the history of the United States, Abigail Adams urged her husband to “Remember the ladies” when representatives met for the Continental Congress in 1776; and

**WHEREAS**, women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, women led the efforts to secure suffrage and equal opportunity for women, and also served in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, labor movements, civil rights movements, and other causes to create a more fair and just society for all; and

**WHEREAS**, suffragists wrote, marched, were arrested, and ultimately succeeded in achieving the enactment of the 19th Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, section 1 of which provides that “The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex,” as well as the Voting Rights Act of 1965, which extended the protection of the right to vote to women of color and language minorities; and

**WHEREAS**, women have been and continue to step up as leaders in the forefront of social change efforts, business, science, government, math, art, literature, music, film, athletics, and represent approximately half of the workforce of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, International Women's Day is recognized during National Women's History Month on March 8, which is a day celebrated in many countries around the world and are recognized for their achievements without regard to divisions, whether national, ethnic, linguistic, cultural, economic or political; and

**WHEREAS**, President Jimmy Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation designating March 2 through 8, 1980, as “National Women’s History Week” and in 1987, a bipartisan group of Senators introduced the first joint resolution to pass Congress designating “Women’s History Month”; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations (UN) recognizes play an integral role in the celebration of International Women’s Day by creating an annual theme. This year’s theme is “#Break the Bias” which imagines a world free of bias, stereotypes and discrimination.

**WHEREAS**, the City of North Miami designates the month of March as National Women’s History Month to encourage residents to recognize the importance of the achievements of Women throughout our Nation’s history.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1.      Designation.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, designates the month of March as National Women’s History Month.

**Section 2.      Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by a 5-0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 8th day of March, 2022.

  
PHILLIPE BIEN-AIME  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

  
JEF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.  
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILWOMAN ESTIME-IRVIN

Moved by: Galvin

Seconded by: Estimé-Irvin

**Vote:**

Mayor Philippe Bien-Aime

(Yes)  (No)

Vice Mayor Alix Desulme, Ed.D.

(Yes)  (No)

Councilman Scott Galvin

(Yes)  (No)

Councilwoman Kassandra Timothe, MPA

(Yes)  (No)

Councilwoman Mary Estimé-Irvin

(Yes)  (No)