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Whereas, this community's greatness and success is a direct result of welcoming and empowering all people—regardless of gender, culture, class, age, religion, ethnicity, sexual orientation, and disability; and

Whereas, women, especially women of color, have been underrepresented, oppressed, and often unrecorded in their contributions; yet women have been present in untold or oral histories and continue to play important roles in furthering knowledge and leading equitable change for society; and

Whereas, to foster the next generation of women, the City of Portland seeks to encourage and support professional, educational, and social opportunities for women, where women will not compete with one another over scarce seats at the table, rather when there is an inclusive space for all women to participate and commitment to draw in women of color, women are empowered to lead and benefit entire communities; and

Whereas, Women's History Month is a time for all Portlanders to celebrate the paid and unpaid hard work of women who improve the livability of the City, working both inside and outside of the home; and

Whereas, during Women's History Month all people are encouraged to reflect on past victories and struggles of all women to create a society where the next generation's success is based on the content of their character, not determined by their culture or gender; and

Whereas, the 2018 National Women's History Month theme is "Nevertheless She Persisted;" and

Whereas, in Portland, the Women's History Month theme is "Nevertheless WE Persist," which demonstrates a more timely, inclusive vision for women, transgender women, and gender nonconforming individuals; and

Now, therefore, I, Ted Wheeler, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim March 1 to March 31, 2018 to be

Women's History Month

in Portland, and encourage all residents to observe this month.

Proclaim March 2018 to be Women's History Month in Portland (Proclamation introduced by Mayor Wheeler)

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