

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** In celebrating women whose courage, determination, and passion have enhanced our state, we honor the contributions and the heroic challenges they undertook in being the first in their fields of education, medicine, business, government, military service, law, arts, human services and philanthropy. These exceptional women are the true Oregon pioneers; and
- WHEREAS:** Building on and honoring past female achievements, today's women of every age, race, ethnicity, sexual identity, gender identity and expression, ability, and socioeconomic background continue to make historic contributions to the growth and strength of their communities and their state; and
- WHEREAS:** During Women's History Month, we recognize the positive advances for women, but also recognize that more needs to be done so all women can gain gender equity and access to the prosperity of Oregon; and
- WHEREAS:** We recognize the women and girls who have demonstrated tremendous resiliency and strength in the face of the challenges unique to women exacerbated by the pandemic; and
- WHEREAS:** For all women to succeed in Oregon they require access to employment with fair and equal pay, health care, affordable housing and childcare, safe homes and communities, education and training opportunities, and a clean environment. We proudly join with the Oregon Commission for Women to help women succeed in Oregon for, we know that when women succeed, Oregon will succeed.

NOW,

THEREFORE: I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **March 2022** to be

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, February 23, 2022.

Kate Brown

Kate Brown, Governor

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Shemia Fagan, Secretary of State

