

Proclamation

WHEREAS, women have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of this state, county and municipality in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and

WHEREAS, women have played, and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of life by constituting a significant portion of the labor force, working inside and outside of the home; and

WHEREAS, women have played a unique role throughout the history of the nation by providing the majority of our volunteer labor force; and were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions; and

WHEREAS, women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive movement to improve society; and

WHEREAS, women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, the environmental justice movement, and other social justice campaigns, especially the peace movement, creating a more fair and just society for all; and

WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of women has been consistently overlooked and undervalued in literature and in the teaching and study of history; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the contributions of women, Congress has passed a resolution each year since 1987, designating the month of March as "Women's History Month"; and

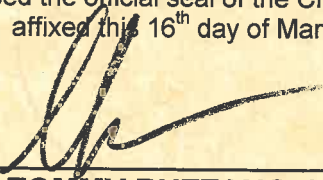
WHEREAS, the theme of Women's History Month in 2016 is "*Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government*" and the month of March presents special opportunities to celebrate the wisdom and tenacity of generations of women who have come before us and those who will follow, and to acknowledge the courage, determination, and steadfastness needed to move history forward. 2016 is also the 36th anniversary of the Women's History Movement and the National Women's History Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tommy Ruzzano, Mayor of the City of Margate, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2016, as

"WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH"

in the City of Margate and call upon all residents to observe this by participating in programs, ceremonies and activities to foster an awareness of and appreciation for the contributions made by women which have benefited and improved society.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
and caused the official seal of the City of Margate to be
affixed this 16th day of March 2016.



TOMMY RUZZANO, MAYOR

Vice Mayor Joyce W. Bryan, Commissioner Joanne Simone, Commissioner Lesa Peerman, Commissioner Frank B. Talerico