



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, every year March is designated as Women's History Month by Presidential proclamation to honor women's contributions in American history; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Women's History Month theme is "Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to be Silenced" honoring the important roles of multicultural suffragists and voting rights activist women who fought to win suffrage rights for women; and

WHEREAS; Women's History Month began as a local celebration in Santa Rosa, California; and

WHEREAS, the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County (California) Commission on the Status of Women planned and executed a "Women's History Week" celebration in 1978; and

WHEREAS, the organizers selected the week of March 8 to correspond with International Women's Day, spreading the movement across the country as other communities initiated their own Women's History Week celebrations the following year; and

WHEREAS, in 1980, a consortium of women's groups and historians successfully lobbied for national recognition; and

WHEREAS, In February 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the Week of March 8, 1980 as National Women's History Week; and

WHEREAS, subsequent Presidents continued to proclaim a National Women's History Week in March until 1987 when Congress passed Public Law 100-9, designating March as "Women's History Month"; and

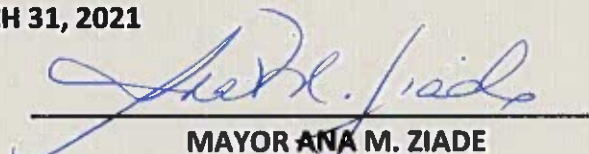
WHEREAS, between 1988 and 1994, Congress passed additional resolutions requesting and authorizing the President to proclaim March of each year as Women's History Month.; and

WHEREAS, since 1995, each president has issued an annual proclamation designating the month of March as "Women's History Month; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of North Lauderdale, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 2021 to be

**NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH.
MARCH 1 – MARCH 31, 2021**




MAYOR ANA M. ZIADE

Dated this 23rd day of February, 2021