

# *P*roclamation

*The County Council of Montgomery County*



- Whereas,** 100 years ago this month the 19th Amendment to the Constitution was ratified, guaranteeing women the right to vote; and
- Whereas,** members of the National American Woman Suffrage Association gathered in Chicago in 1920 to begin a “mighty political experiment” designed to help women carry out their new responsibilities as voters; and
- Whereas,** in 1957 the League of Women Voters Education Fund was created to encourage the active and informed participation of citizens in government and to increase understanding of major public policy issues; and
- Whereas,** for decades the League sponsored televised presidential debates, and continues its tradition today by holding forums and debates for local and state offices; and
- Whereas,** the League of Women Voters continues to inspire passionate advocates wanting to increase electoral opportunities for Americans while also promoting good government, goals that critically important at a time when voter suppression and government scrutiny is on the rise around the nation; and
- Whereas,** for the next 100 years, the League of Women Voters will continue keeping members of the population informed and engaged in the continued struggle to perfect our democracy and defend its integrity;

**Now, be it hereby resolved,** the County Council recognizes

## *League of Women Voters*

for the 100th anniversary as an organization and their work to ratify the 19th amendment to the United States Constitution.

Signed on August 26, 2020



Evan Glass  
Councilmember, At-Large

