RESOLUTION CELBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held on the 1st day of March 2022, at 6:00 pm local time.

| PRESENT: | Supervisor Jackson, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustee Wisinski | | |
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| ABSENT: | Trustee Sundland | | |
| | following resolution was offered by <u>Treasurer Deschaine</u> and supported <u>Trustee Wisinski</u> | | |

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our Nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways;

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

WHEREAS, American women have played a unique role throughout the history of the Nation, by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the Nation;

WHEREAS, American women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our Nation;

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement;

WHEREAS, American women have served our country courageously in the military;

WHEREAS, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which have created a more fair and just society for all;

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

WHEREAS, women have played and continue to play a major role in the governing of the Charter Township of Meridian, serving on numerous Boards and Commissions and as the Supervisor, Treasurer, Clerk, and Trustee throughout the Township's history; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States passed a resolution in 1987 and in every successive year since then designating that March is "Women's History Month," calling upon the

people of the United States to observe and honor the role of women in the Nation with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN, that Meridian Township shall observe the month of March, 2022, as "Women's History Month."

| ADOPTED: | YEAS: | Supervisor Jackson, Trustee Wisinski, Treasurer Deschaine, Clerk Guthrie | | |
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I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board on the 1st day of March 2022.

Deborah Guthrie, Clerk Charter Township of Meridian