



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the impetus for establishing an International Women's Day can be traced back to New York City in February 1908, when thousands of women who were garment workers went on strike and marched through the city to protest against their working conditions; and

WHEREAS, International Women's Day is celebrated globally by those who believe in gender equality and who seek to improve the lives of all women, through cultural, legal, economic, and social change; and

WHEREAS, March 8th is International Women's Day; a day to celebrate the collective power of women – past, present, and future; and

WHEREAS, International Women's Day is an occasion to acknowledge and celebrate the universal contributions of women, pay tribute to their achievements, recognize the remaining challenges to further women's rights and encourage all people to do their part to bring about positive change; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwick honors the accomplished and visionary women who have helped build our country, including those whose contributions have not been adequately recognized and celebrated; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwick wishes to take this opportunity to celebrate the diversity of the people in our town, to learn from the women of our community, and to use this day to commit ourselves to promoting the continued work in advancing the rights, opportunities and full participation of women and girls of all backgrounds;

THEREFORE, be it proclaimed by the Town of Southwick, that March 8th should be celebrated as

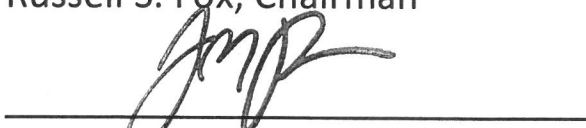
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

in appreciation of the many achievements of the women of Southwick and women across this nation and the world who continue to push forward in the movement toward equality.

By its Select Board



Russell S. Fox, Chairman



Jason Perron, Clerk



Doug Moglin, Vice-Chairman

March 6, 2023

Date