

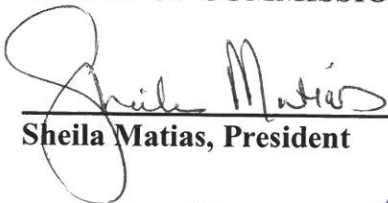
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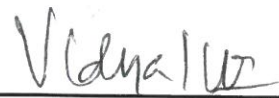
**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LA PORTE COUNTY, INDIANA,
COMMEMORATING THE CENTENNIAL OF THE RATIFICATION OF THE NINETEENTH
AMENDMENT AND HONORING WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY**

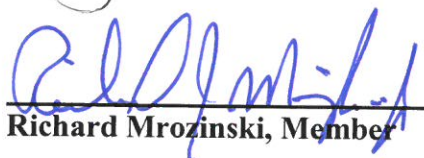
- WHEREAS, the women of the United States have historically been treated as second-class citizens and have often been denied the full rights and privileges, public or private, legal or institutional, which are available to male citizens of the United States; and**
- WHEREAS, for 72 years, hundreds of thousands of women in the United States supported, and many dedicated their very lives, to the crusade for the right to vote; and**
- WHEREAS, in the State of Indiana, thousands of women fought for the franchise but their accomplishments and stories remain to be discovered and told; and**
- WHEREAS, two La Porte County Suffragists have recently been rediscovered and are being honored by the League of Women Voters of La Porte County, namely Naomi Bowman Talbert Anderson and Zeola Hershey Misener; and**
- WHEREAS, the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution was ratified on August 18th, 1920 and was certified as part of the United States Constitution on August 26th, 1920, thereby giving women their political freedom; and**
- WHEREAS, in the months following the Ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment, millions of women registered to vote, thereby assuming the responsibilities of citizenship, and exercised their right to vote by voting in the presidential election in November of 1920; and**
- WHEREAS, for the past 100 years, through the actions of and with the support of the League of Women Voters, women have made significant contributions to government and the real-life issues affected by government and are to be commended and supported in their organizations and activities, and**
- WHEREAS, on August 26, 2020 the women of the United States are celebrating Women's Equality Day and are commemorating the centennial of the Ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment.**
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of La Porte County, Indiana commemorates the centennial of the ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment and honors Women's Equality Day.**


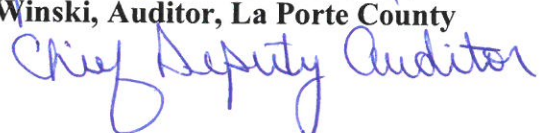
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of August, 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LA PORTE COUNTY, INDIANA


Sheila Matias, President


Dr. Vidya Kora, Vice President


Richard Mrozinski, Member

ATTEST: 
Joie Winski, Auditor, La Porte County


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