



TOWN OF ACTON
472 Main Street
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PROCLAMATION

Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution, and the Founding of the League of Women Voters

Whereas, the bold, courageous and powerful women who fought for the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution on August 26, 1920, which officially gave women the right to vote, deserve special celebration by the Town of Acton on the 100th anniversary of the amendment's ratification; and

Whereas, the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution has played an important role in advancing the rights of all women; and

Whereas, the extensive and growing involvement of women today in local, state and national government, including elective office, is a reminder that they all follow in the footsteps of these resolute American suffragists; and

Whereas, the League of Women Voters was founded in February 1920 as a "mighty political experiment" by the foremothers of the suffragist movement; and

Whereas, the goal of the League of Women Voters was to help the 20 million women who were granted the right to vote by the 19th Amendment understand and carry out their new responsibility as voters;

Now, therefore, we hereby proclaim that August 26, 2020 shall be Women's Voting Rights Day.

Acton Board of Selectmen

August 24, 2020

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