

# PROCLAMATION

## WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH MARCH 2023

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

**WHEREAS**, Oak Park is proud to stand in solidarity with transwomen making history ,as transwomen as women; and

**WHEREAS**, women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of the life of our community and globally; and

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

**WHEREAS**, 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 migrant workers movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which worked towards creating a more fair and just society for all; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the theme for 2023, “*Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories*”, the timely theme honors women in every community who have devoted their lives and talents to producing art, pursuing truth, and reflecting the human condition decade after decade.

**WHEREAS**, Oak Park is proud of the countless women in our community that continue to break glass ceilings, set ablaze new paths, and inspire the next generation of women leaders.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oak Park that we proclaim March 2023 as “*Women’s History Month*” in Oak Park and urge all community members to reflect on the achievements and contributions of women in our community and the Nation and celebrate the vital role of women throughout our history.

**ADOPTED** and **APPROVED** this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023.

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Vicki Scaman  
Village President

ATTEST:

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Christina M. Waters

Village Clerk