

## Proclamation

- WHEREAS, women have made lasting contributions to the growth and strength of the United States, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the City of Falls Church, in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and
- WHEREAS, women led the way in securing suffrage and equal opportunity for all, and in creating a more fair and just society; and
- WHEREAS, women play prominent roles in the local history of Falls Church, which has been home to noted abolitionists, educators, business owners, volunteers, and visionary leaders; and
- WHEREAS, there are many opportunities to learn about women's history in Falls Church and Women's History Month is a great opportunity to recommit to learning about the strong women who built our community; and
- WHEREAS, the fifth Women's History Walk, presented by Tinner Hill Heritage Foundation, the Women's History Group, and the elected women of Falls Church, is an opportunity for citizens of all ages to learn about the female leaders in Falls Church's history and the women who are currently leading the city into the future; and
- WHEREAS, the fifth Women's History Walk, will take place on Sunday, May 1, 2022 and Sally Cole, Cindy Mester, Ruth Rodgers, Edie Smolinski, and Derrica Wilson will be recognized as Honorary Grand Marshals; and
- WHEREAS, the Women's History Walk will honor 23 middle and high school Young Women of Action; and
- WHEREAS, all residents are charged with carrying on the legacy of these women by making a positive difference in the City of Falls Church and the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David Tarter, Mayor of the City of Falls Church, Virginia, do hereby proclaim March 2022 as

### WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

in the City of Falls Church and call on all residents to observe this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities, including participating in the Falls Church Women's History Walk on Sunday, May 1, 2022

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Falls Church, Virginia to be affixed this 14th day of March 2022.



  
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David Tarter, Mayor