



City of Palo Alto
City Council Staff Report

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Summary Title: Proclamation for League of Women Voters of Palo Alto

Title: Proclamation Honoring the 100th Anniversary of the League of Women Voters of Palo Alto

From: City Manager

Lead Department: City Clerk

Attachments:

- Attachment A: League of Women Voters 100th Anniversary



Proclamation

Celebrating The 100th Anniversary of the League of Women Voters of the United States

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters was founded in 1920 as a “mighty political experiment” by the foremothers of the suffragist movement at the National American Woman Suffrage Association; and

WHEREAS, their goal 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; and

WHEREAS, with the success of this effort and the tireless efforts over the last 100 years to strengthen and uphold its mission to empower voters and defend democracy, the League has become a trusted nonpartisan, grassroots organization; and

WHEREAS, the League has sponsored legislation and fought in the courts to protect and strengthen voting rights and access, and for free and fair elections, civil rights, children, community health, and education; and

WHEREAS, the League has consistently been noted for its nonpartisan election information, including sponsorship of candidate forums and information on state and local ballot issues, as well as its commitment to register, educate, and mobilize voters; and

WHEREAS, the League champions government systems that are open, transparent, inclusive, and equitable; and

WHEREAS, the League believes that active and engaged citizens, irrespective of gender, ethnicity, or political affiliation, are the hallmark of democracy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Adrian Fine, Mayor of the City of Palo Alto, on behalf of the entire City Council do hereby proclaim February 14, 2020 as League of Women Voters Day in the City of Palo Alto. We honor and congratulate the League of Women Voters on its 100th Anniversary and commend the League for its significant contributions to empowering voters and making democracy work.

Presented: February 10, 2020

Adrian Fine
Mayor