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**Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners**

**Proclaiming March 2023 as Women’s History Month in Chatham County**

**WHEREAS**, Chatham County joins President Joe Biden and North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper in recognizing that March 2023 is Women’s History Month, we celebrate the countless women who contributed tirelessly and courageously for equity, equality, justice, and opportunity in our nation, state, and county; and

**WHEREAS**, we also affirm our commitment to advancing rights and opportunities for women and girls in Chatham County. We are mindful that we are building on the legacy of both recognized trailblazers and unsung heroines who have guided the course of American history and continue to shape its future to impact all of us; and

**WHEREAS**, women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our county, state, and nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways. Women have played and continue to play critical economic, cultural, and social roles in every sphere of life in Chatham County by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home; and

**WHEREAS**, women have played a unique role throughout the history of this county, state, and nation by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force. Women also have volunteered to serve our state and country courageously in the United States Armed Forces; 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 civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create 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 American-cultural history, we are committed to working to reduce barriers so that women can continue to access and achieve their highest potential.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners that March 2023 is proclaimed Women’s History Month and calls upon the people of Chatham County to observe the month by supporting appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.**

Adopted, this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023.

Karen Howard, Chair  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Lindsay K. Ray, NCMCC, Clerk to the Board  
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