

THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF BOISE,
STATE OF IDAHO
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the year 2020 marks the 100th anniversary of the Nineteenth Amendment, guaranteeing that the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex; and

WHEREAS, twenty-four years earlier, in 1896, an Idaho constitutional amendment secured women's right to vote, making it the fourth state in the nation after Wyoming, Utah and Colorado; and

WHEREAS, despite these amendments, the City of Boise recognizes that discriminatory laws and practices prevented many women to exercise this right because of race, class, citizenship, gender, immigration, political identity, religion, and values; and

WHEREAS, the City of Boise, through its department of Arts & History, is leading a commemoration of the centennial anniversary that both celebrates the Boise individuals who mobilized and empowered women to advocate for suffrage and expands the conversation to include underrepresented groups; and

WHEREAS, the City of Boise, through its department of Arts & History, will actively seek out and collect untold stories, historical photos or other information related to Boise's suffrage movement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Boise will bring Boiseans together to talk about the importance of contemporary civic participation, ensuring that all people—including, but not limited to, those who have been historically underrepresented based on race or ethnicity, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, citizenship status, or religion—are represented and have access to their government; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAUREN McLEAN, Mayor of the City of Boise, do hereby proclaim January 29th as the day of:

BOISE SUFFRAGE DAY

in the City of Boise.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on this the 29th day of January, in the year of two thousand and twenty.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Lauren McLean".

MAYOR OF BOISE, IDAHO