

Proclamation



*For the City of East Providence by His Honor
Mayor Roberto L. DaSilva*

“International Women’s Day & Women’s History Month”

WHEREAS, March 8 is International Women’s Day (IWD) and the month of March is Women’s History Month; and

WHEREAS, International Women’s Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women; and

WHEREAS, International Women’s Day is a collective day of global celebration and a call for gender parity; and

WHEREAS, the day has occurred for well over a century with the first International Women’s Day gathering in 1911 during a time of great expansion and turbulence in the industrialized world that saw booming population growth and the rise of radical ideologies; and

WHEREAS, the year 2011 marked the centennial of International Women’s Day as the first IWD event was held in Austria, Denmark, Germany and Switzerland; and

WHEREAS, IWD is an official holiday in many countries including Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, China (for women only), Cuba, Georgia, Guinea-Bissau, Eritrea, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Madagascar (for women only), Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Nepal (for women only), Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Vietnam and Zambia; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, President Barack Obama proclaimed March 2011 to be "Women’s History Month" calling on Americans to reflect on "the extraordinary accomplishments of women" in shaping the country’s history; and

WHEREAS, during Women’s History Month, we honor the women who sacrificed and strived to ensure all people have an equal opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes those women who have contributed to the betterment of the City and the advancement of women in East Providence.

THEREFORE, I, Mayor Roberto L. DaSilva, on behalf of the city of East Providence, celebrate International Women’s Day, and proclaim, the month of March as Women’s History Month in the City of East Providence.

In recognition whereof I have hereby set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of East Providence to be hereunto affixed this 1st day of March 2024.

Roberto L. DaSilva
Mayor