## PROCLAMATION/RESOLUTION NO. 128 -2020 WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY - 100th ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and others first seriously proposed women's right to vote at Seneca Falls, New York, on July 19, 1848; and

WHEREAS, Susan B. Anthony joined forces with Stanton in 1851, and they worked together over the next half-century for women's right to vote; and

WHEREAS, Carrie Chapman Catt, founder and early leader of the League of Women Voters, entered the struggle later and became a leader in the suffragist movement that helped lead it to victory; and

**WHEREAS**, these three women and so many more endured hardships of public humiliation, terms in jail, ridicule – and they did it so that the women of yesterday, today and tomorrow can exercise their right to vote; and

**WHEREAS**, On August 26, 1920, just days after Tennessee became the thirty-sixth (and last-needed) state to ratify the amendment, the United States Secretary of State signed the proclamation enacting the 19th amendment;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the 26th day of August 2020, as "Women's Equality Day" to celebrate passage of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which gave women the right to vote.

ADOPTED this 24th day of August, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS KITSAP COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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