

Whereas, March is National Women's History Month, and the National Women's History Alliance has designated the theme for Women's History Month 2024 as "Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion"; and

Whereas, this theme recognizes the invaluable contributions of women who have dedicated themselves to advocating for equity, diversity, and inclusion in all aspects of society; and

Whereas, women from diverse backgrounds have long been at the forefront of efforts to address systemic inequities and promote a more inclusive and just society; and

Whereas, the courageous advocacy of women for practical goals such as equity, diversity, and inclusion serves as a beacon of inspiration for all individuals and communities; and

Whereas, in 2024, we honor the women who have tirelessly worked to dismantle barriers, challenge prejudices, and create opportunities for all individuals, regardless of their background and attacks against Diversity, Equity, and Inclusions programs and training in our institutions;

Whereas, here in Auburn our NYS Equal Rights Heritage Center has as its mission to promote the legacy of the many women that have provided critical leadership in our State's and Nation's history, women such as Harriet Tubman, Frances Seward, Martha Coffin Wright, Eliza Wright Osborne, Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton just to name a few.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that, I, James N. Giannettino, Mayor of the City of Auburn, on behalf of the members of City Council and the community of Auburn, New York hereby proclaim that March 2024 is designated within the City of Auburn as

Women's History Month

Be it further resolved that, we encourage our communities and organizations to celebrate the achievements of women who have championed equity, diversity, and inclusion, and reaffirm our commitment to advancing these principles in our society. Let us honor the women who have dedicated themselves to advocating for equity, diversity, and inclusion, and let us continue to work together to build a more just, equitable, and inclusive world.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Auburn to be affixed this Seventh day of March 2024.

James N. Giannettino, Jr., Mayor City of Auburn, New York