

Resolution

ORDER NO. 2019-0277

DATE: **March 19, 2019**

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §



BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 19th day of March, 2019 on motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District 1, and seconded by Dr. Elba Garcia, Commissioner of District 4, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Dallas County Commissioners Court joins the nation, women, girls and civic groups dedicated to empowering women in observing Women's History Month. Together we remember the courageous women who fought for equality and human rights. We acknowledge that while women have overcome many obstacles, there is still more work to be done in achieving equality for all women. Long before Women's History Month was declared a national observance, women across the United States and other parts of the world developed voice and campaigned for equal rights; and

WHEREAS, Congress established Women's History Week on March 7, 1982, which later became Women's History Month by order of a joint resolution passed by Congress on March 12, 1987. By 1986, fourteen states had already declared March as Women's History Month. Today, during this Women's History Month, we recognize some of the remarkable groups who continue to uplift women and girls: Garland Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. (NANBPWC); Hispanic Women's Network of Texas – Dallas Chapter (HWNT); Dallas Mexican American Historical League (DMAHL); and the League of Women Voters of Dallas (LWV); and

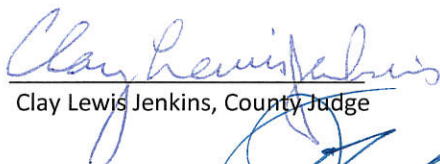
WHEREAS, The Garland Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. (NANBPWC, Inc.) is a 501(c)(3) organization, chartered on January 24, 1981. Wathenia Clark, President of the Garland Club of NANBPWC, Inc., leads a dynamic group of Professional Women who serve the local and global communities through Leadership, Entrepreneurship, Technology, and Service, including a youth group for 12-18 years of age. NANBPWC, Inc. serves the community by providing informative programs on Women's History Month, Heart Health, Triple Negative Breast Cancer and Domestic Violence, to name a few. Since 1981, Garland Club of NANBPWC, Inc., has awarded scholarships to more than 150 graduating seniors from each of the high schools in GISD; and

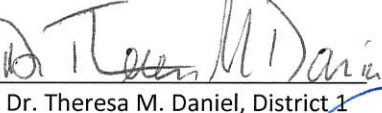
WHEREAS, The Hispanic Women's Network of Texas (HWNT) is a statewide multigenerational non-profit committed to the advancement of women. The dynamic HWNT Dallas chapter positively impacts Dallas County through its personal and professional development programs, such as the organization's highly celebrated college readiness program, Latinas in Progress, which equips students with key life skills to help through college life and beyond. Since 1990, HWNT Dallas has given over \$150,000 of scholarship funds to more than 175 students, collaborated with multiple school districts and local universities. HWNT Dallas is proud of the Dallas County community and looks forward to future opportunities to continue serving. Additionally, the Dallas Mexican American Historical League (DMAHL), a non-profit organization founded in 2008 to preserve the history of Mexican Americans in Dallas, pays homage during Women's History Month to all the local Mexican American women who made historic and lasting contributions to their barrio communities and to the Dallas area. These women worked on behalf of the community to bring awareness and improvements in health, education, business, affordable housing, civic involvement, media, public office, civil rights and social justice concerns. Today, women leaders of Hispanic and Latino heritage of both groups benefit tremendously from the groundwork laid by their predecessors and time so selflessly dedicated locally, regionally, statewide, and nationally on behalf of their communities; and

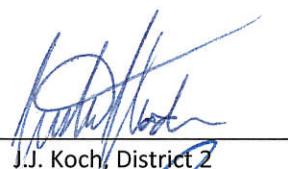
WHEREAS, The League of Women Voters is the only women's suffrage organization founded before the 19th Amendment that still exists today. The League is very proud of its rich history tied to the suffrage movement that gave voice through its efforts to improve the quality of life for Americans, including child labor laws, a minimum wage and equal opportunity for women in government and industry. Today, the League is setting the stage for vibrant growth over the next century with a new generation of leaders with the continued passion for active participation in government.

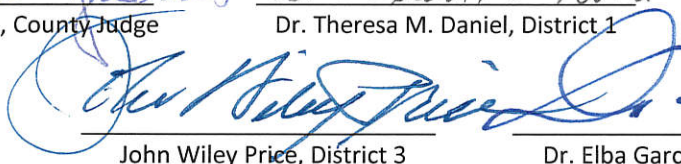
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that on behalf of the Dallas County Commissioners Court and the residents of Dallas County, we call upon all citizens to observe the month of March as Women's History Month, recognizing that we draw strength and inspiration from the women who came before us and these remarkable organizations who are honored here today. Dallas County residents are invited to join Commissioner Daniel, The Garland Club of NANBPWC, and the Garland Community Multicultural Commission for the 2019 Women's History Project: Visionary Women: Champions of Peace and Nonviolence event on March 23, 2019, at 10:00 am, at Road and Bridge District 1 in Garland. This program is dedicated to the memory of Goldie Locke, a community leader, founding President of the Garland Branch NAACP, and driving force of the Garland ISD's NAACP Excel Awards for middle school youth.

DONE IN OPEN COURT this the 19th day of March, 2019.


Clay Lewis Jenkins, County Judge


Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, District 1


J.J. Koch, District 2


John Wiley Price, District 3


Dr. Elba Garcia, District 4