



CITY OF BLAINE, MINNESOTA

PROCLAMATION

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE RATIFICATION CENTENNIAL DAY

WHEREAS, On January 10th, 1918, a Constitutional Amendment allowing women's suffrage was passed by the United States House; and

WHEREAS: On June 4th, 1919, the United States Senate passed the Nineteenth Amendment and sent it out to the states for ratification; and

WHEREAS: On September 8, 1919, Minnesota ratified the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution, which would grant national suffrage to women; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota's ratification, as the 15th State, paved the way for other states to ratify the 19th Amendment; and,

WHEREAS, September 8th 2019 marks the 100th anniversary of Minnesota's ratification of the 19th Amendment; and

WHEREAS, communities across the state are celebrating the 19th Amendment and the date of Minnesota's ratification; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Tom Ryan, do hereby proclaim September 8th 2019 as:

Women's Suffrage Ratification Centennial Day

AND, encourage residents to commemorate September 8, 2019, as the centennial of Minnesota's ratification of the 19th Amendment, and engage and participate in Suffrage Centennial programs and activities in honor of the largest single day expansion of voting rights in our Nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Blaine to be affixed on this 4th day of September, 2019

Tom Ryan, Mayor