



**Resolution  
of  
The Board of Supervisors of Ventura County**

*Proclaiming*

***WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH***  
***"Our History is Our Strength"***

*WHEREAS, American women have played a critical role in shaping the economic, cultural and social fabric of our society; and have been leaders in every movement for social change, including their own struggle for civil rights, the battle for suffrage, the fight for emancipation, and the struggle to organize labor unions, and*

*WHEREAS, women throughout California are this year celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their suffrage, when male voters flocked to the polls to approve women's right to vote by a wide margin in the statewide referendum, making California the sixth state to approve women's suffrage in the United States; and*

*WHEREAS, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, which create a fair and just society for all; and*

*WHEREAS, since 1981, the Ventura County Commission for Women has been a leading organization in the community for encouraging, supporting and facilitating the empowerment and education of Ventura County women by serving as advisers to the Board of Supervisors; and*

*WHEREAS, Ventura County Women honor the work of our foremothers by joining with the many organizations in our community to retain women's rights and resolve issues that women still face, including the AAVW, the League of Women Voters, the Coalition to End Family Violence, the National Women's Political Caucus, CAUSE Women SEE Justice Project, the Business and Professional Women of Conejo Valley, the Ventura County Women's Forum Collaborative, Concerned Black Women of the Conejo Valley, the United Women's Leadership Council, and Promotoras y Promotores Foundation; Ventura County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Channel Islands Chapter of the LINKS;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ventura County Board of Supervisors urges schools, colleges, libraries and civic organizations to honor the role that American women have played in transforming culture, history and politics as leaders, writers, scientists, educators, politicians, artists, historians, and informed citizens, and to continue to celebrate the ways in which the spirit, courage, and contributions of women have added to our history by proclaiming March 2011 as Women's History Month in Ventura County.*

PRESENTED THIS FIFTEENTH DAY OF MARCH 2011

*Linda Parks*

Chair of the Board of Supervisors  
Linda Parks, Supervisor 2<sup>nd</sup> District

*Steve Bennett*

Steve Bennett  
Supervisor, 1<sup>st</sup> District

*Peter C. Foy*

Peter C. Foy  
Supervisor, 4<sup>th</sup> District

*Kathy Long*

Kathy Long  
Supervisor, 3<sup>rd</sup> District

*John C. Zaragoza*

John C. Zaragoza  
Supervisor, 5<sup>th</sup> District