



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

**DECLARING MARCH 2004 AS
WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH
"Women Inspiring Hope and Possibility"**

WHEREAS, American women of every culture, economic status and ethnic background have participated in the founding and building of our nation and have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our country; and

WHEREAS, American women have played a critical role in shaping the economic, cultural and social fabric of our society; and

WHEREAS, American women celebrate the hope and sense of possibility that comes to their lives from the inspirational work of women. Hope comes in many forms from laws challenged and changed, new medical research, stories of compassion and courage and watching women stand tall against great odds; and

WHEREAS, American women have been leaders in every movement for social change, including their own struggle for suffrage, the fight for emancipation, the struggle to organize labor unions and win other civil rights for women; and

WHEREAS, Ventura County Women are following in the footsteps of our foremothers by working with the Ventura County Commission for Women, the League of Women Voters, the Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence, the National Women's Political Caucus, the Women's Economic Justice Project, the Reproductive Rights Network and other organizations to retain their rights and resolve the issues that women still face.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ventura County Board of Supervisors urges our schools, colleges, libraries and other civic organizations to honor the role that American women have played and continue to play in our history by proclaiming March 2004 as Women's History Month in Ventura County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisor of Ventura County urges Ventura County citizens to join other women and men around the world in celebrating March 8th as International Women's Day.

PRESENTED THIS 16TH DAY OF MARCH 2004.

Chair of the Board of Supervisors
Steve Bennett, Supervisor 1st District

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Supervisor, 3rd District

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