



Township of

FERGUSON

Pennsylvania

## Proclamation

### A PROCLAMATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA TO OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZE WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH OF 2022

*Whereas*, Women's History Month is an annual celebration of the history and accomplishments of women across the world, and also an acknowledgement of their courage and struggle to attain the same basic human rights as men that still proceeds to this day; and

*Whereas*, Women's History Month was first formally declared in the United States in March of 1987 through a resolution passed by the United States Congress as a result of a petitioning effort through the National Women's History Project, and stems from its early iterations as Women's History Week, and Women's History Day, which is still annually held on March 8; and

*Whereas*, The accomplishments of women in the United States began far before the annual celebration of Women's History Month, as American women of all races and ethnicities have advanced society in the realms of abolition, voting rights, labor rights, civil rights, and have valiantly given their lives in honor of protecting these profound rights they fought so hard to achieve; and

*Whereas*, The specific theme of Women's History Month of 2022 is "Women Providing Healing, Promoting Hope" in order to honor the countless women frontline healthcare workers, medical doctors, and those who have helped make strides in the fields of mental and physical health as we climb out of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

*Whereas*, Ferguson Township greatly benefits from the plethora of women that reside in the Township, and will always seek to honor women for their admirable contributions to society through large and small measures every day, and the times of undervaluing the role of women in society are no longer; and

*Whereas*, The Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors also fully embraces and enjoys its historic first all-women roster as of 2022, marking the first time in the Township's 220-year history this occurrence has taken place, and hopes to serve as a testament for power and representation of women in the Centre Region; and

*Now, therefore*, The Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim March 2022 as Women's History Month in Ferguson Township, and encourages all residents to reflect, promote, and cherish the historical achievements of women across the world, the United States, and Centre County during this time period.

**Proclaimed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March 2022.**

Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors,

Laura Dininni, Chair