

COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS

PROCLAMATION 2020-02

A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

WHEREAS, the history of women voting in Utah is long and vibrant; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 1870, Utah schoolteacher Seraph Young voted in a municipal election under Equal Suffrage Laws and is credited with being the first woman to vote in an election in any state or territory now part of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Congress passed the 19th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States on June 4, 1920, guaranteeing American women the right to vote, which was ratified on August 18, 1920; and

WHEREAS, Carrie Chapman Catt, a suffragist and founder of the League of Women Voters, led the state-by-state strategy that resulted in its passage; and

WHEREAS, Carrie Chapman Catt spoke at the Conference of Women Voters held in the Salt Lake Tabernacle on November 17, 1919; and

WHEREAS, that conference was sponsored by the Utah State Suffrage Council, then presided over by Utah feminists Emmeline B. Wells, Emily S. Richards, and others; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters is a civic group, originally formed to help women take a larger role in public affairs after they won the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters (the "*League*") has grown to include all citizens, encouraging informed and active participation in government, working to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influencing public policy through education and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, the League is proud to be nonpartisan, neither supporting nor opposing candidates or political parties at any level of government, but always working on vital issues of concern to members and the public; and

WHEREAS, February 14, 2020 will mark the 100th anniversary of the founding of the League; and

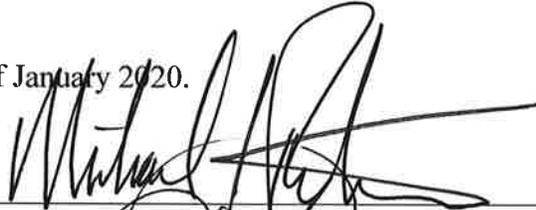
WHEREAS, the city council of the city of Cottonwood Heights (the "*City*") desires to express its admiration of and appreciation to the League for its exemplary advocacy of public

participation in government and the election process for the benefit of all of the citizens of the City, the state of Utah, and the rest of the United States of America;

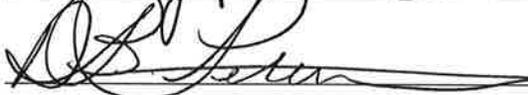
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Cottonwood Heights city council and manager that the City hereby recognizes and commends the League as an important civic organization working for the welfare of all Utahns, and congratulates the League on its upcoming 100th anniversary.

DATED this 21st day of January 2020.

Mayor Michael J. Peterson



Council Member Douglas Petersen



Council Member J. Scott Bracken



Council Member Tali C. Bruce



Council Member Christine Watson Mikell



City Manager Tim Tingey

