

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

## *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, *Women's History Month can be traced back to the first International Women's Day in 1911, which in turn led to Women's History Week; in 1987, Congress expanded the celebration to a month after being petitioned by the National Women's History Project; and*

**WHEREAS**, *this month is used as a time to commemorate the struggles of women fighting for equality, celebrate the progress that has been made, and reaffirm our dedication to the rights of all women; American women have fought throughout history to gain rights and have helped shape our county and nation in numerous, invaluable ways; and*

**WHEREAS**, *women have played an important role in the history of Allegheny County; we have been the home to many great leaders and role models who have laid the groundwork for our future generations; and*

**WHEREAS**, *throughout the month of March we honor the women who have served in public office and charitable organizations, worked in the business or health sector, have fought for our country, have raised families, and have dedicated their lives to making our county and nation a better place to live; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Allegheny County is proud to recognize the history, accomplishments, and promising future of women in our community and to set aside the month of March for this important time of appreciation.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** *that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim March 2014 as "Women's History Month" in Allegheny County.*

**FURTHERMORE**, *I do hereby urge all residents to honor the history and successes of women throughout our County and the United States throughout the month of March.*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, *I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.*

*Rich Fitzgerald*

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