



CITY OF SEBASTOPOL PROCLAMATION

Proclaiming March 2026 as Women's History Month

Whereas, the theme for Women's History Month "Leading the Change: Women Shaping a Sustainable Future" calls upon us to confront the wide range of overlapping global challenges including climate change, economic insecurity, healthcare disparities and threats to democratic participation; and

Whereas, the story of women throughout America and in Sebastopol is the story of women of all ages, races and cultural backgrounds who led campaigns for equality and civil rights, advanced professional and educational opportunities, founded entirely new enterprises, and contributed significantly to the arts, sciences and humanistic causes; and

Whereas, Women's History Month provides an opportunity for communities and schools to expand appreciation for the diverse contributions of women who have led and are leading sustainability efforts across environmental, economic, educational and social justice movements and empower action toward sustainability; and

Whereas, Women's History Month highlights how these challenges are intertwined and how women, particularly from marginalized communities such as in parts of Sonoma County, often experience their impact most acutely.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Mayor Jill McLewis, on behalf of the City Council, in recognition of the significant role played by women in leading the charge toward lasting sustainable solutions to these complex challenges, thereby proclaim the month of March 2026 as Women's History Month in the City of Sebastopol.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the Great Seal of the City of Sebastopol this 3rd Day of March 2026.

Jill McLewis, Mayor, City of Sebastopol