

The City of Holland, Michigan



Proclamation

Whereas, women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our city, state, and nation; and,

Whereas, through protest and activism, generations of women have appealed to the values at the heart of our nation and fought to give meaning to the idea that we are all created equal; and,

Whereas, women have and continue to courageously serve our city, state, and country in our government, public safety, fire, and military and the many other noble professions; and,

Whereas, the Holland Women's Literary Club, the League of Women Voters, Women Who Care, the Holland Junior Welfare League, Lakeshore Latinas, and Women of Color Give all started by women and now a part of our city's history; and,

Whereas, we celebrate the new CEO of Holland Hospital, Patti VanDort joining the many women in our community who hold leadership roles that keep our community strong and thriving; and,

Whereas, as a city employer we celebrate the 79 women that faithfully serve the residents of Holland; and,

Whereas, in 2024, women on average earned 84 cents compared to every dollar earned by their male counterpart; and,

Whereas, we recognize City Council Members, Bylnda Sól, Kim Rowan, and Lyn Raymond who serve the residents of Holland.

Now, therefore, I, Nathan Bocks, Mayor of the City of Holland, Michigan, and members of the Holland City Council, proclaim the month of March as

Women's History Month

and invite the community to celebrate the women in our families, in our professional contacts, and women who came before us to build a better future for our community.



Given under my hand and the seal of the
City of Holland, this 5th of March 2025

Mayor Nathan Bocks