

2021 Fairfax County Commission for Women's 50th Anniversary Proclamation

WHEREAS, the CFW was established by the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County, Virginia, in 1971, pursuant to Virginia law for the purpose of advising the BoS on issues to eliminate violence against women and help end gender- and sex-based discrimination against all women and girls who reside in the County.

WHEREAS, the CFW has become a vital force in Fairfax County, due to our strong advocacy work towards helping to establish the Turning Point Suffrage Memorial, publishing the Equal Rights Amendment, and supporting paid family medical leave. Our partnerships with the Campaign for a Friendly Family Economy, Domestic and Sexual Violence Services, League of Women Voters, and the National Association of Commissions for Women have been pivotal in advancing our work and mission.

WHEREAS, in 2020, we continued our tradition of honoring and supporting women by recognizing the heroes who have stood on frontlines to serve their communities in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and public health crisis. The CFW is grateful for the service and dedication of our heroes in supporting our community during this unprecedented time.

WHEREAS, in the future, the CFW will remain committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion, in an effort to best serve our community members who are a part of historically underserved, unheard communities and demographics. As a commission, we will steadfastly build on the great work accomplished during our first 50 years and look forward to the next 50.

WHEREAS, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all of the citizens of Fairfax County and its Commission for Women, hereby proclaim September 9th, 2021 as the

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and a time to honor all women who continue to fight to promote the full equality of women and girls in Fairfax County.