PROCLAMATION

BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY OF SOUTH PORTLAND, MAINE, THAT

WHEREAS, women in the United States have continuously worked to gain full rights and privileges – public or private, legal or institutional – as citizens of the United States, and;

WHEREAS, women in every state and every cultural and religious group* worked to secure women’s right to vote, and;

WHEREAS, Congress has designated August 26, the date the Nineteenth Amendment was certified, as Women’s Equality Day, and;

WHEREAS, recognizing Women’s Equality Day as a day of celebration throughout the country emphasizes the importance of women’s work for democracy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South Portland City Council will commemorate Women’s Equality Day, August 26th, as a national day celebrating the importance of the women’s suffrage movement and the work to secure and expand equal rights today.

Signed and passed this date September 6th, 2022