



City of St. Charles
ILLINOIS

Proclamation

Illinois League of Women Voters – 100th Anniversary February 14, 2020

- WHEREAS,** on February 14, 1920, the League of Women Voters (“League”) was formed at the Congress Hotel in Chicago, Illinois, in anticipation of ratification of the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote in the United States; and,
- WHEREAS,** the League is a nonpartisan political organization designed to help 20 million women carry out their responsibilities as voters by educating them about issues; and,
- WHEREAS,** the League continues to encourage informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy; and,
- WHEREAS,** today the League is composed of members in over 700 local, county, and state leagues in all 50 states and among those state Leagues is the League of Women Voters of Illinois that was incorporated on March 22, 1920 and is composed of over 40 local Leagues with almost 4,000 members; and,
- WHEREAS,** members of the League first study and then take action on a broad range of issues after reaching consensus on positions;
- WHEREAS,** Leagues at all levels, among other activities, register voters, educate voters by holding candidate forums and publishing voter guides, publish public policy research, and hold meetings on key issues, and have fought since 1920 to improve government and engage everyone in the decisions that impact their lives;

THEREFORE, I, Raymond Rogina, Mayor of the City of St. Charles, do hereby proclaim February 14, 2020 as the 100th anniversary, and a day to celebrate the League of Women Voters and its vision of a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge, and the confidence to participate.

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Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor

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