

N OF APEX NORTH CAROLINA

Proclamation

Women's History Month 2025

from the Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, The Town of Apex recognizes the importance of honoring and celebrating the contributions of women who have helped shape the history of our town and country and continue to inspire current and future female leaders and pioneers; and,

WHEREAS, Throughout US History, women of many cultural and ethnic backgrounds, "American Women", have played a pivotal role in all aspects of our country's development, including fighting for women's suffrage and civil rights, making significant advancements in science and technology, and providing immense leadership is areas such as business, law, and government; and,

WHEREAS, Women have exhibited courage and perseverance fighting to expand their rights during our country's history, and we stand firmly with them to continue working towards and ensuring gender equity in our society; and,

WHEREAS, because of the courage of so many bold women who dared to transcend preconceived expectations and prove they were capable of doing all that a man could do and more, advances were made, discoveries revealed, barriers were broken and progress triumphed; and

WHEREAS, Despite these contributions, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching and study of American History; and,

WHEREAS, The Town of Apex is proud to host several events for Women's History Month, including a Learning Lunch focusing on Women in Politics, featuring Councilmember Audra Killingsworth, former Councilmember and current Wake County Commissioner Cheryl Stallings, and North Carolina State Representative Julie von Haefen on March 19th, and a GameMakers Showcase, featuring a panel of female leaders in the video game industry on March 22nd.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jacques K. Gilbert, Mayor of Apex, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 2025 as "Women's History Month" in the Town of Apex, and call upon all residents of Apex to thank a woman in their life for all they have done for us.

> I hereby set my hand and have caused the Seal of the Town of Apex, North Carolina, to be affixed this the 25th day of February 2025