

A Proclamation by the Mayor Pro-Tem

WHEREAS, Women's History Month is celebrated every March to honor the significant contributions of women throughout history, and to highlight the achievements of women in all fields, including public administration; and

WHEREAS, The month of March 2025 provides an opportunity to celebrate the vital role of women in public service, and to recognize the lasting impact of women who have pioneered paths of leadership and service in government; and

WHEREAS, The legacy of women in public administration is rich and diverse, with women such as **Frances Perkins**, who served as the first female U.S. Secretary of Labor and played a key role in the development of Social Security; **Julia Addington**, a prominent advocate for public health and urban planning who helped shape policies for sustainable cities; **Madeleine Albright**, the first female U.S. Secretary of State who helped forge international diplomacy during turbulent times; and **Jane Addams**, who made extraordinary contributions to social reform and the founding of the settlement house movement, which provided services for the poor and marginalized in communities across the nation; and

WHEREAS, These remarkable women have paved the way for future generations of female leaders in the field of public administration, showing that women's leadership in government and service can bring about positive change, progress, and equality for all; and

WHEREAS, We also recognize the incredible contributions of the women of the City of La Vernia, who work tirelessly in many important roles throughout our community. From those in **finance**, **utilities**, **economic development**, **engineering**, **police**, **and the court system**, to those who serve as first responders, administrative professionals, and community leaders, their commitment, dedication, and leadership enrich our city and make La Vernia a stronger, more vibrant place to live; and

WHEREAS, As a city, we celebrate the accomplishments and contributions of women both past and present and are proud of the role women continue to play in shaping the future of La Vernia. We express our deep gratitude for their ongoing efforts and commitment to public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Pro-Tem Dianell Recker, of the City of La Vernia, Texas, do hereby proclaim the month of **March 2025** as **Women's History Month** in the City of La Vernia, and encourage all residents to reflect on the significant contributions of women in public administration and beyond, to celebrate their achievements, and to continue supporting and empowering women in our community and in public service.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of La Vernia to be affixed this 13th of March 2025.

Mayor Pro-Tem,

City of La Vernia, Texas

City Secretary City of La Vernia, Texas