

City of Poulsbo

Office of Mayor Rebecca Erickson



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** Elizabeth Cady Stanton and others first seriously proposed women's right to vote at Seneca Falls, New York on July 14, 1848; and
- WHEREAS,** Susan B. Anthony joined forces with Stanton in 1851, and they worked together over the next half-century for women's right to vote; and
- WHEREAS,** Carrie Chapman Catt, founder and early leader of the League of Women Voters, entered the struggle later and became a leader in the suffragist movement that helped lead it to victory; and
- WHEREAS,** these three women and so many more endured hardships of public humiliation, terms in jail, ridicule – and they did it so that the women of yesterday, today, and tomorrow can exercise their right to vote; and
- WHEREAS,** on August 26, 1920, just days after Tennessee became the thirty-sixth (and last-needed) state to ratify the amendment, the United States Secretary of State signed the proclamation enacting the 19th Amendment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rebecca Erickson, Mayor of the City of Poulsbo, Washington, do hereby proclaim August 26, 2025, as

WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY

to celebrate the passage of the 19th Amendment of the U. S. Constitution, which gave women the right to vote.



Dated this 4th day of August, 2025

Rebecca Erickson, Mayor