PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, 100 years ago today the 19th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution was

ratified, followed by its certification on August 26, giving women the right to

vote; and

WHEREAS, this culminated a 72-year nationwide campaign for equal rights,

recognizing the contributions of women and the value of their voice; and

WHEREAS, this milestone would not have been possible without the perseverance of

pioneers like Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony, work for which we

are all better and incredibly grateful; and

WHEREAS, to date women's indispensable contributions to our nation, to Kansas and

to Olathe have shaped who we are, elevated our quality of life, and laid the

foundation for our future.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, I, Michael Copeland, Mayor of the City of Olathe, do hereby encourage all Olatheans to celebrate the

100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE 19th AMENDMENT

and the century of women empowerment that has followed.

We reaffirm our support of efforts to strengthen democratic participation and to inspire future generations to cherish and preserve the historic precedent established under the 19th Amendment.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Olathe to be affixed

this 18th day of August, 2020.

Michael Copeland, Mayor

Brenda D. Long, City Clerk