



MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA

PROCLAMATION

DECLARING AUGUST 26 WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY IN SKAGWAY

WHEREAS: women in the United States have continuously worked to gain full rights and privileges – public or private, legal or institutional – as citizens of the United States; and

WHEREAS: women in every state and every cultural and religious group worked to secure women's right to vote; and

WHEREAS: Congress designated August 26 as Women's Equality Day to commemorate the 1920 certification of the Nineteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, which prohibits the states and the federal government from denying the right to vote to citizens of the United States on the basis of sex; and

WHEREAS: pursuant to Resolution No. 17-16R, the Municipality of Skagway expressed its commitment to welcoming all people to the community, including but not limited to: persons of all nations, race, ethnicity, religious beliefs, socioeconomic classes, political leanings, abilities, physical limitations, gender identities, and sexual orientation, and to fostering diversity, equality, justice, and respect for all; and

WHEREAS: recognizing Women's Equality Day in Skagway as a day of celebration emphasizes the importance of women as essential parts of the political, economic, and social fabric of the nation and this community, and further demonstrates the community's commitment to its expressed values;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andrew Cremata, Mayor of the Municipality of Skagway, do hereby proclaim August 26 of each year as Women's Equality Day in Skagway, and encourage citizens to commemorate the day by celebrating the importance of the women's suffrage movement and the work to secure and expand equal rights today.

Andrew Cremata, Mayor

ATTEST:

Emily A. Deach, Borough Clerk

