

# Yolo County Board of Supervisors

## Resolution No. 26-21

### *Recognizing March 2026 as Women's History Month in Yolo County*

**WHEREAS**, the National Women's History Alliance's theme for Women's History Month 2026 is "Leading the Change: Women Shaping a Sustainable Future," which recognizes women leading efforts in not just environmental sustainability, but in financial sustainability, community resilience, leadership succession, and intergenerational equity; and

**WHEREAS**, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our Nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and

**WHEREAS**, American women have played and continue to play critical economic, cultural, and social roles in every sphere of the life of the Nation by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home and provide the majority of all volunteerism; and

**WHEREAS**, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders at the forefront of every major progressive social change movement; and

**WHEREAS**, over three million American women have served our country courageously in the United States military; and

**WHEREAS**, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

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

**WHEREAS**, in Yolo County, Stella Eilola lives as a living embodiment of women's history as she celebrated her 105<sup>th</sup> birthday this past January after having moved to California in 1956 and then into a Woodland Victorian home with her husband Albert and two daughters; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Eilola taught at Zamora, Beamer, and Freeman Elementary schools until her retirement and then in 1983 she began volunteering at the Woodland Auxiliary Hospital until she turned 90 years old; and

**WHEREAS**, beyond her work as a teacher and hospital volunteer, Ms. Eilola has also been deeply involved with local historical preservation, especially with the Yolo County Gibson House; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Eilola's daughter Lynell Pollock served 8 years on the Yolo County Board of Supervisors and has been involved with a number of community groups, carrying on her mother's legacy of service and volunteerism; and

**WHEREAS**, former Yolo County Supervisor Helen Thomson organized the very first Yolo County Women's History Month luncheon, held in Woodland in April 1987; and

**WHEREAS**, Yolo County is committed to recognizing and elevating women as leaders in government and other areas of community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Yolo County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes March 2026 as Women's History Month in Yolo County.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 3rd day of March, 2026 by the following vote:

**AYES:** Barajas, Villegas, Frerichs, Vixie Sandy, Allen

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Sheila A. Allen, Chair  
Yolo County Board of Supervisors