

Proclamation

CITY OF RACINE, WISCONSIN

Whereas: On August 26, 1920, the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution was ratified, granting many women the right to vote and marking a pivotal moment in the fight for gender equality; and

Whereas: In 1973, the United States Congress officially designated August 26 as Women's Equality Day, honoring the courageous efforts of those who championed women's suffrage and equal rights; and

Whereas: The history of the suffrage movement is both inspiring and complex. While it achieved significant progress, it did not always include or represent all women—particularly women of color and those from marginalized communities—whose voices were often excluded from the broader movement; and

Whereas: More than a century later, women continue to face voter inequalities, including disenfranchisement, limited access to polling places, and restrictive voter ID laws that disproportionately affect vulnerable populations; and

Whereas: Today, we celebrate the achievements of generations of women who fought for equality, and we reaffirm our commitment to addressing the challenges that remain—working to expand opportunity, representation, and equity for all women and girls.

Now, Therefore, I, Cory Mason, Mayor of the City of Racine, do hereby recognize August 26, 2025, as Women's Equality Day, and encourage all residents to reflect on the progress made and continue striving toward a more just and inclusive future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Racine to be affixed.



Accomplished at the City Hall
This 26th day of August 2025.


Cory Mason
Mayor