



Proclamation

CITY OF RACINE, WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, as the nation is celebrating America's 250th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, women's history is recognized as essential for understanding the courageous complexity of our nation; and

WHEREAS, knowing women's stories provides essential role models for everyone; and

WHEREAS, role models are genuinely needed to face the extraordinary changes and unrelenting challenges of the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, learning about women's tenacity, courage, and creativity throughout the centuries is a tremendous source of strength; and

WHEREAS, women in the United States have continuously worked to gain full rights and responsibilities – 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 expand democracy by securing the right to vote for women; and

WHEREAS, congress has designated August 26, the date the 19th Amendment enfranchising women was certified, as **Women's Equality Day**; and

WHEREAS, recognizing Women's Equality Day as a day of celebration throughout the country emphasizes the importance of women's work for democracy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cory Mason, Mayor of the City of Racine, do hereby proclaim that in conjunction with the celebration of the nation 250th birthday, commemorate **Women's Equality Day**, August 26th, as a national day celebrating the importance of the women's suffrage movement and women's work to secure and expand equal rights today.

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 18th day of August 2026.

Mayor