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RESOLUTION NO. 2020-13

BY:

A RESOLUTION to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the League of Women Voters of the United States.

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters was founded in 1920 as a "mighty political experiment" by the foremothers of the suffragist movement at the National American Woman Suffrage Association, and;

WHEREAS, their goal was to help the 20 million women who were granted the right to vote by the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment understand and carry out their new responsibility as voters, and;

WHEREAS, with the success of this effort and the tireless efforts over the last 100 years to strengthen and uphold its mission to empower voters and defend democracy, the League has become a trusted nonpartisan, grassroots organization, and;

WHEREAS, the League has sponsored legislation and fought in the courts to protect and strengthen voting rights and access, and for free and fair elections, civil rights, children, community health, and education, and;

WHEREAS, the League has consistently been noted for its nonpartisan election information, including sponsorship of candidate forums and information on state and local ballot issues, as well as its commitment to register, educate, and mobilize voters, and;

WHEREAS, the League champions government systems that are open, transparent, inclusive, and equitable, and;

WHEREAS, the League believes that active and engaged citizens, irrespective of gender, ethnicity, or political affiliation, are the hallmark of democracy, now, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That this Council does hereby proclaim February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as League of Women Voters Day.

Section 2. That this Council honors and congratulates the League of Women Voters on its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and commends the League for its significant contributions to empowering voters and making democracy work.

Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all such deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

Adopted: 2/18/2020

Daniel J. Malley  
President

Maura M. Bach  
Clerk

Approved: 2/21/2020

Gregory F. George  
Mayor