

Adoption Resolution September 9, 2020

Resolution In Recognition of The 100th Anniversary of The League of Women Voters

Whereas, the League of Women Voters or "the League" 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, its goal was to help the 20 million women who were granted the right to vote by the 19th 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 New Jersey State Board of Education recognizes that the League of Women Voters of New Jersey has over a half a century of history upholding the constitutional right to equal education, public education, and civics education; and

Whereas, the League has vigorously protected and strengthened voting rights and access, free and fair elections, civil rights for all including children and minorities, community health, public education for all people, and resource protection and conservation; 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, in schools and in all New Jersey communities; 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, that the New Jersey State Board of Education and the Commissioner of Education commemorate the 100th Anniversary of League of Women Voters.

Kevin Dehmer, Interim Commissioner	Kathy Goldenberg, President
Interim Secretary, N.J. State Board of Education	N.J. State Board of Education