

City of Auburn Proclamation

In 1987, Congress declared March as National Women's History Month in perpetuity and the first week of March will be designated to celebrate specifically Women in Construction (WIC); and

The focus of WIC Week is to highlight women as a visible component of the construction industry; and

The continuous progress of our economy requires full participation and support of all citizens, regardless of gender, race or ethnic background; and

The workforce in California is becoming increasingly diversified and, for this state's construction industry to remain competitive in the global economy, it must also diversify its workforce by attracting significantly more women in the industry; and

Women currently occupy only ten percent of all apprenticeships, and less than three percent of construction trades jobs nationally and that as a state we should support policy efforts to achieve at least twenty percent by 2020; and

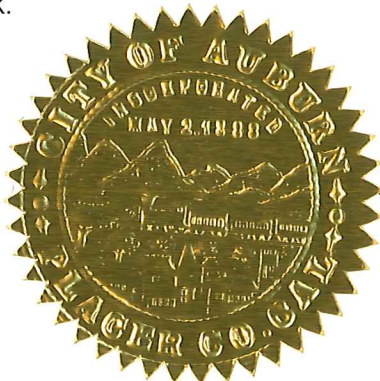
The construction industry must strive to educate and inspire parents, educators and career counselors to attract all California's youth to rewarding careers opportunities in construction; and

The construction industry in California has tremendous need for skilled and motivated workers, managers, and entrepreneurs from all segments of the population; and

Women entrepreneurs and small business owner operating in the construction industry could benefit greatly from the experiences, technical services and support established by more women in the workforce; and

The Sacramento Regional Builders Exchange and National Association of Women in Construction, Sacramento and CSU, Sacramento along with other industry partners encourage women to pursue construction as a career they can build on, agree to continue to support formal programs that will have a significant impact on the successful integration of women in into the construction industry and to provide women entrepreneurs with the skills necessary to ensure their success in the competitive marketplace.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bridget Powers, Mayor of the City of Auburn, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of March 4-10 as Women in Construction (WIC) Week.



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Bridget Powers, Mayor