**INTERNATIONAL DAY Of THE GIRL PROCLAMATION 2019**

**Celebrating the power and resilience of women and girls**

**Whereas**, nearly 25 years ago, approximately 30,000 women and men from nearly 200 countries arrived in Beijing, China, for the Fourth World Conference on Women, determined to recognize the rights of women and girls as human rights;

**Whereas**, this conference culminated in the adoption of the [Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action](http://beijing20.unwomen.org/~/media/headquarters/attachments/sections/csw/pfa_e_final_web.pdf), the most comprehensive policy agenda for the empowerment of women;

**Whereas,** International Day of the Girl presents an opportunity to reflect on global achievements for advancing the rights of girls and women while recognizing that there’s still progress to be made to achieve gender equality;

**Whereas**, girls’ movements are stopping child marriage, promoting girls’ education, standing up against gender-based violence, demanding action on climate change, tackling issues of self-esteem, and standing up for girls’ rights to enter places of worship or public spaces during menstruation;

**Whereas,** theUN has declared the theme for International Day of the Girl 2019 “GirlForce: Unscripted and Unstoppable” to celebrate achievements by, with and for girls since the adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, as well as recognize ways in which gender advocates can continue to advance gender equality and the empowerment of girls and women;

**Whereas,** the [insert Chapter/Division name] is committed to protecting and advancing the rights of girls around the world;

**Whereas,** the [insert Chapter/Division name] recognizes that gender equality is a human rights issue inextricably tied to justice, freedom, and peace, and pledges to take action to stand up for the rights of women and girls and play the crucial role of civil society in leading global action on gender equality;

**Whereas,** the citizens of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_should participate in all activities related to International Day of the Girl;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ officially proclaim October 11, 2019 as

**INTERNATIONAL DAY Of THE GIRL**

In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused the seal of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be affixed on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the year 2019.

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Signature