

PROBATION NEWS



WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

In February 1980 President Jimmy Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the Week of March 8th, 1980, as National Women's History Week. By 1986, fourteen states had declared March as Women's History Month. In 1987 Congress made it official, declaring March as National Women's History Month. A special Presidential Proclamation is issued every year which honors the extraordinary achievements of American women.

This month, the Los Angeles County Probation Department honors Women's History Month by celebrating the women of probation. The department thanks each of you for your commitment and your passion. Your leadership and accomplishments are an inspiration to us all.

There is still work to be done. The Equal Rights Amendment to the United States Constitution reads, "Equality of Rights under the Law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex." It has yet to be ratified.

"Women's history is women's right - an essential, indispensable heritage from which we can draw pride, comfort, courage, and long-range vision."

- Dr. Gerda Lerner

