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Each month, the Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) looks forward to providing content that celebrates the diversity across our state's workforce and embraces the differences that help make us better together. We believe diversity and inclusion are everyone's responsibility and we hope all state employees carry such responsibility with honor, courage, and passion. Check us out [here](#)!

As we're moving into a warmer, brighter time of year, we also move into March, Women's History Month. In addition to what we do year-round, March is the perfect time to admire the countless contributions women have made throughout history. Women paved the way for progress, broke barriers, and helped shape a more inclusive world. This month serves as a reminder of the resilience, strength and unwavering spirit of women across the world.

From the suffragettes who fought tirelessly for women's right to vote to the activists that continue to champion gender equality today, women's history is rich with stories of empowerment. It's a history scarred with struggles but also abundant with triumphs.

Women were previously celebrated for only a week until 1987, when Congress passed Public Law 100-9, designating March Women's History Month.

In the workplace, Women's History Month serves as a poignant reminder of the importance of diversity, inclusion, and equity. It's a time to celebrate the achievements of all women in all fields and industries. During the month of March, let us recommit ourselves to creating a more inclusive world for all. Let us amplify women's voices and support their ambitions. And most of all, let us reflect on the progress women have made, honor the contributions of women past, and rededicate ourselves to the fight for the quality for all.

**"There is no limit to what we,
as women, can accomplish."**

Michelle Obama



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