

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington recognizes that in a world where many girls and women are uneducated and poor, where they struggle against discrimination and second-class citizenship, and where they are often victims of physical and sexual abuse; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington wishes to honor and celebrate the contributions of women of all nations as mothers, daughters, grandmothers, relatives, friends, and colleagues to our society; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington recognizes that International Women's Day on March 8 provides a worldwide holiday to educate all people about the condition of women and girls throughout the world; and

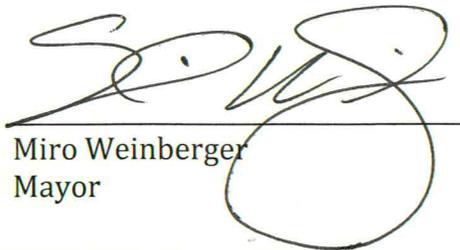
WHEREAS, the City of Burlington welcomes and celebrates the arrival to our community of New American families, including many women; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington wishes to take this opportunity to celebrate this diversity of people in our City and to learn from the women of our community about their experiences and their aspirations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington takes this opportunity on this International Women's Day to celebrate the women and the girls of our planet and to use this day to commit ourselves to respect the rights of women to lead secure, creative, healthy, and free lives;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Miro Weinberger, Mayor of the City of Burlington, Vermont, do hereby proclaim March 8, 2014 to be

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY


Miro Weinberger
Mayor

