

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-03

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDONA,
ARIZONA, URGING THE ARIZONA LEGISLATURE TO HEAR AND RATIFY AN
AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES RELATIVE TO
EQUAL RIGHTS FOR MEN AND WOMEN.**

WHEREAS, on March 22, 1972, the Congress of the United States, in both houses by a constitutional majority of two-thirds in both houses, adopted a proposition to amend the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for men and women (ERA); and

WHEREAS, Congress originally set a deadline of March 22, 1979 for ratification, as provided for in Article V of the U.S. Constitution; and

WHEREAS, through 1977, the amendment received 35 of the necessary state ratifications; and

WHEREAS, in 1978, Congress passed a joint resolution with the intent of extending the ratification deadline to June 30, 1982; and

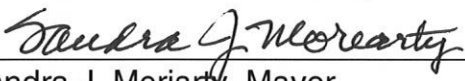
WHEREAS, on March 22, 2017, the 45th anniversary of Congress' submission of the ERA to state legislatures, the Nevada Legislature became the first to ratify the ERA after the expiration of the established deadlines; and

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2018, the Illinois General Assembly ratified the ERA; and

WHEREAS, 37 of the required 38 states have now ratified the ERA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Sedona, Arizona, that the City of Sedona hereby supports an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for men and women and urges the Arizona Legislature to hear and ratify the same so that Arizona may become the 38th and final state needed for ratification of the ERA to the Constitution of the United States.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Sedona, Arizona this 26th day of February, 2019.




Sandra J. Moriarty, Mayor

ATTEST:



Susan L. Irvine, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Robert L. Pickels, Jr., City Attorney