

## *Celebrating Women's History Month*

Happy Women's History Month CE! As a certified Women-Owned Business, it is even more prevalent to us how valuable and essential women are in the workplace and in every strand of fabric that makes up our society. Women's history in the United States is full of amazing activists and pioneers who persisted for centuries in establishing freedom and equality for all. From incredible historical figures such as Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott organizing the first women's rights convention in the summer of 1848, to Jeanette Rankin being sworn in as the first woman elected to Congress in 1917—the road to ratification of the 19th Amendment in 1920 was built off one the most successful suffrage movements in history. Ultimately, this led to an influx of policies that aimed to close the gender gap nationwide socially, economically, and politically.

Today, the results are gradually getting to the place where Women's Rights activists of the past saw as a dream. Women now make up 28% of the 118th US Congress' membership (the highest percentage in US history); the number of women-owned businesses in the US increased by 68% between 1997 and 2014; and the proportion of women who earned college degrees has almost quadrupled since 1970. The progress and strides women have made—and are actively making—to be a part of every space in the workplace and leadership is essential. Future generations of girls being able to see themselves in women who are leading in their respective fields hasn't always been a reality. Now it is. Women are not just capable. Women THRIVE!



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