

## TOWN OF JEROME

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## **RESOLUTION NO. 581**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF JEROME, ARIZONA, SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED 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 twothirds 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; and

WHEREAS, in Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR 1006), the Arizona Legislature seeks to become the 38th state to ratify the ERA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Jerome, Arizona, that the Town of Jerome hereby supports SCR 1006 and urges the Arizona Legislature to approve the same so that Arizona may become the 38th and final state needed for ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by a majority vote of the Jerome Town Council on the 12th day of March, 2019.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

William J. Sims, Town Attorney

Jerome Town Hall Located at 600 Clark Street, Jerome Civic Center