A Proclamation

Whereas, Rosie the Riveter is a cultural icon and a representation of the more than 16 million working women who contributed to the war effort during World War II; and

Whereas, The women represented by Rosie the Riveter left their homes to work or volunteer full-time in factories, farms, shipyards, airplane factories, banks and other institutions in support of the military; and

Whereas, These women worked with the USO or Red Cross, drove trucks, riveted airplane parts, collected critical materials, rolled bandages, and served on rationing boards; and

Whereas, It is appropriate to recognize and preserve the legacy of working and volunteer women during World War II who promoted cooperation and fellowship; and

Whereas, Today, these women and their descendants wish to further advance these patriotic ideals of excellence in the workplace and loyalty to the United States of America,

Now, Therefore, I, Charles D. Baker, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim March 21st, 2019, to be,

ROSIE THE RIVETER DAY

And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this fifteenth day of March in the year two thousand and nineteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-second.

By His Excellency

Charles Baker
Governor of the Commonwealth

Karyn E. Polito
Lt. Governor of the Commonwealth

William Francis Galvin
Secretary of the Commonwealth

God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts