



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of the passage of Title IX on June 23, 2022.

WHEREAS, June 23, 2022, marks the 50th anniversary of the passage of Title IX of Public Law 92-318, the sex discrimination law best known for giving girls and women equal access to federally funded school sports programs and creating gender equality in sports; and

WHEREAS, the numbers of girls playing high school sports has multiplied at least tenfold since 1972. Today, women account for nearly half of all college athletes, and there are more opportunities for young women to have professional sports careers; and

WHEREAS, since 1972, educational attainment rates among women have increased, and as of 2020, the percentage of women who had completed at least high school increased to 95%, the percentage with an associate's degree increased to 50%, the percentage with a bachelor's degree increased to 39%, and the percentage with a master's or higher degree increased to 9%; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville Sports Council along with the city's colleges and universities are celebrating the upcoming 50th anniversary with a focus on featuring female athletes at their events; and

WHEREAS, the Sports Authority's facility partners are also celebrating this anniversary and sponsoring events featuring female athletes; and

WHEREAS, since November 2019, the Sports Authority, with the assistance of its Women's Professional Sports Ad Hoc Committee and Advisory Committee on Women in Sports, has sought to attract and secure a women's professional sports team, maximize the use of existing facilities and promote professional and amateur women's sports in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council recognizes the Sports Authority's efforts to bring women's professional sports to Nashville and pledges to support their endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council encourages the citizens of Nashville and Davidson County to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Title IX, and further encourages the city's restaurants, sports bars, and hotels to switch television channels to women's sports events and programming in support of this historic celebration; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the Metropolitan Council recognizes and celebrates the 50th anniversary of Title IX, the landmark gender equality legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the Metropolitan County Council hereby goes on record as recognizing the 50th anniversary of the passage of Title IX on June 23, 2022.

Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage, the welfare of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.