National Federation of Democratic Women Resolution Supporting Harriet Tubman on the \$20 Bill

WHEREAS, Harriet Tubman has become a beloved American icon revered by numerous Americans because of her courageous endeavors to help lead enslaved individuals to other parts of our country where they would be acknowledged as freed Americans; and

WHEREAS, Harriett Tubman was born into enslavement in Maryland in 1820. Around the age of twelve, she was struck in the head with a two-pound weight that her owner was throwing at another slave; bravely, Tubman stepped between the master and the other slave. That injury left her with disfigurement and migraines for the rest of her life. Tubman escaped to freedom in the North in 1849 and became one of the most famous "conductors" on the Underground Railroad. Tubman was a leading abolitionist before the American Civil War, working as a nurse and a spy to help the Union Army. After the end of the war, Tubman joined forces with leaders of the women's suffrage movement; and

WHREAS, during the Obama Administration, citizens throughout our country supported Harriet Tubman as their choice for replacing the image of Andrew Jackson on the \$20 bill. However, in May 2019, Steve Mnuchin, representing the Trump Administration, announced that Tubman would not be added to the currency until 2028.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the National Federation of Democratic Women supports changing the image on the \$20 bill to that of Harriet Tubman and insists that the process begin now rather than waiting until 2028.