

**SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION NO. 2025- 07

A RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE THE MISSION OF "A BOLDER WAY FORWARD," A STATEWIDE INITIATIVE DEDICATED TO HELPING MORE WOMEN AND GIRLS THRIVE.

WHEREAS, the San Juan County Board of Commissioners recognizes the vital importance of fostering the mission to empower and uplift women and girls across Utah;

WHEREAS, the San Juan County Board of Commissioners acknowledges persistent findings from national and statewide studies indicating that women and girls in Utah face significant challenges. Utah consistently reports high rates of domestic violence, sexual assault, child sexual abuse, and gender-based discrimination. Furthermore, Utah ranks second-worst nationally for women's equality in workplace compensation and exhibits the lowest levels of women's leadership representation across almost all sectors, including politics and business;

WHEREAS, the San Juan County Board of Commissioners understands that the flourishing of all Utahns, including men, boys, and families, is intrinsically linked to women and girls experiencing good health and well-being, freedom from insecurity, equal community representation, access to education, and successful, equitable employment;

WHEREAS, the San Juan County Board of Commissioners commits to regularly reviewing Policy Briefs and White Papers, which provide empirical data from academics and survey participants, to inform the ongoing work required;

WHEREAS, the San Juan County Board of Commissioners is distinguished as a statewide leader in 2025, with two women commissioners holding elected office, ensuring their perspectives, priorities, and needs are equally represented and respected;

WHEREAS, the San Juan County Board of Commissioners enthusiastically embraces the mission for women and girls to thrive and pledges support for collective efforts and actions to make this vision a reality for everyone;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the San Juan County Board of County Commissioners:

1. The San Juan County Board of Commissioners formally declares its unwavering commitment to championing the mission of A Bolder Way Forward.

2. The San Juan County Board of Commissioners will actively work to elevate awareness regarding the critical need to enhance women's and girls' health and well-being, safety and security, community engagement, education, and workplace equity through academic and community studies, public outreach initiatives, and county events.
3. The San Juan County Board of Commissioners proudly announces its designation as an "A Bolder Way Forward County" in Utah, dedicated to improving the well-being and quality of life for women and girls, which in turn benefits all residents.

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SAN JUAN
COUNTY, UTAH THIS August 5, 2025.

Those voting aye: Jamie Harvey, Lori Maughan and Silvia Stubbs
Those voting nay:
Those abstaining:

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Silvia Stubbs, Commission Chair

ATTEST:



Lyman Duncan, County Clerk/Auditor