



*Business and Professional Women's  
Foundation Day*

February 27, 2006

A PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

**WHEREAS**, in 1956 the Business and Professional Women's (BPW) Foundation became the first foundation to dedicate itself to workingwomen by performing research and providing information solely about workingwomen; and

**WHEREAS**, the BPW Foundation is a nonprofit research and educational institution that has been *Lighting the Way* through education, knowledge sharing, research and support for workingwomen and employers seeking to create successful workplaces that empower their employees; and

**WHEREAS**, workingwomen constitute 66 million of the nation's work force and strive to serve their communities, their states and their nation in professional, civic and cultural capacities; and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the BPW Foundation is to empower workingwomen to achieve their full potential and to partner with employers to build successful workplaces; and

**WHEREAS**, for 50 years Business and Professional Women's Foundation has influenced, informed and educated Presidents, members of Congress, state officials, policymakers, employers and women of influence by providing accurate, unbiased information on the challenges faced by workingwomen and their contributions to the workforce; and

**WHEREAS**, we honor the exciting history and the promising future of the BPW Foundation on its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**, do hereby proclaim February 27, 2006, as "**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S FOUNDATION DAY**" in Washington, DC.

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