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Shreveport City Council to Celebrate Women’s History Month with Essay Competition and Chamber Pink Out Event

Shreveport, LA – The Shreveport City Council, led by Chairwoman Tabatha Taylor and Vice Chairwoman Ursula Bowman, proudly announces two upcoming initiatives in honor of Women’s History Month. These events aim to recognize and celebrate the contributions of women, both locally and globally, while engaging the community in meaningful dialogue about their impact.

Essay Writing Competition: Honoring Women Who Inspire

Students in grades 9-12 are invited to participate in an **Essay Writing Competition** that challenges them to reflect on the role of women in their lives and history. Participants can choose from two themes:

1. **The Power of Role Models** – Writing about a woman who has personally inspired them.
2. **Unsung Heroines** – Highlighting a woman in history who has made a significant impact.

Essays should be no longer than 300 words and will be judged on originality, clarity, structure, and relevance to the theme. Submissions are due by **February 28, 2025, at 5:00 PM** and should be emailed to **RJ.Johnson@ShreveportLA.gov** with the subject line “Essay Contest.”

Winners will be recognized at the **March 11th Shreveport City Council Chamber Pink Out Event**, during a press conference at **2:00 PM**, followed by a **Council Recognition Ceremony at 3:00 PM**.

Pink Out the Council Chamber: Honoring Women Who Lead

The **Shreveport City Council** invites the community to wear pink and join the celebration of **Women’s History Month on March 11, 2025**. The event will highlight the achievements of women who have broken barriers and paved the way for future generations. The public is encouraged to attend and show support for women’s leadership, strength, and resilience.

“Women’s History Month is a time to reflect on the trailblazers who have shaped our world and continue to inspire us daily,” said Chairwoman Tabatha Taylor. “Through this essay competition and our Pink Out event, we hope to uplift their stories and engage the next generation in meaningful conversations about leadership and perseverance.”



Vice Chairwoman Ursula Bowman added, “We are excited to bring the community together to recognize the power of women in history and in our lives. This is a chance for our youth to share their perspectives while we all come together to honor women’s contributions.”

How to Participate

- **Essay Competition:** Submissions due by February 28 at 5:00 PM to **RJ.Johnson@ShreveportLA.gov**
- **Pink Out Event:** Join us on March 11, 2025, at the Shreveport City Council Chambers. RSVP to **RJ.Johnson@ShreveportLA.gov**

For more information, contact **RJ.Johnson@ShreveportLA.gov**.