

# Town Honors Women's Suffrage Movement with "Votes for Women: Celebrating New York's Suffrage Centennial" Exhibit at Town Hall

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**Farmingville, NY** – During the months of November and December, the Town of Brookhaven presents Votes for Women: Celebrating New York's Suffrage Centennial, an exhibit celebrating the centennial of women's suffrage in New York State. The exhibit aims to raise public awareness of the struggle for women's suffrage and equal rights in New York State from the 1848 Seneca Falls Convention through 1917 when New York State granted women the right to vote. The large-scale exhibit at the New York State Museum in Albany opened on November 4 and they created a six-panel traveling exhibition that is displayed on the 2nd floor gallery in the Brookhaven Town Hall. It will be on display through January 1, 2018 and will return for Women's History Month in March 2018. The exhibit was curated by

Jennifer Lemak, PhD, Chief Curator of History at the New York State Museum. The reproduced panels were covered by a grant from the New York Council for the Humanities. The full exhibition catalog will be available to view in the Historian's Office after December 1. The exhibit can be viewed Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Pictured left to right are Senior Assistant Town Attorney Marie Michel; Supervisor Ed Romaine; Town Clerk Donna Lent; Councilman Dan Panico; Councilwoman Jane Bonner; Councilwoman Valerie Cartright; Housing and Human Services Deputy Commissioner Leah Jefferson and Councilman Neil Foley.

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