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The year 2020 marks the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage. This historic centennial is an unparalleled opportunity to honor the change makers of the past while educating modern men and women about the journey that led to this milestone in American democracy. For over 72 years, women across the country lobbied, petitioned, and protested in the streets standing up for what they believed in—the power of their voices.

From the Seneca Falls Convention in 1848 to the establishment of the National Women's Party in 1916, trailblazers such as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Alice Paul forged a perilous fight for the vote. What better way to honor the sacrifice and devotion of these historic heroines, than to ensure that our voices are heard? As we look back to the ratification of the 19th amendment in gratitude, let us find inspiration in these women who dedicated their lives to the pursuit of equality.

It is up to us, in 2020, to make sure that we properly account for the weight and value of our right to vote. The privilege we have as law-abiding citizens to take part in this democracy is sacred; it is the fruit of the labor of hundreds of thousands of women. We must ensure that this history is honored, that the suffragettes are never forgotten, and that for the next one hundred years we continue to cast our votes in hopes of improving and expanding our nation's pursuit of justice and equality. Exercise your right—someone fought for it.

Register to vote today. It's your voice. It counts.

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