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**SINGER-SONGWRITER JOYCE ROUSE RELEASES NEW CD  
TO CELEBRATE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE**

Singer-songwriter Joyce Rouse (a/k/a Earth Mama) of Independence, Virginia, has released a new album of original songs celebrating the 100th anniversary of women winning the right to vote.

"HerStory" features 11 songs that honor the legendary women who led marches and protests to help women win the right to vote. The important work of suffragists Carrie Chapman Catt, Susan B. Anthony, Harriet Tubman, and many others led to passage of the 19th Amendment on August 18, 1920, in Nashville, Tennessee.

Rouse released the CD with a performance of her popular anthem, "Standing On The Shoulders," at a dedication ceremony for the Virginia Women's Monument in Richmond. More performances are scheduled at suffrage events in California, Louisiana, Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

"The centennial is truly significant," said Rouse, who is a vocal advocate for equal rights for women. "The 19th Amendment gave voice to half of our citizens. More importantly, I see it as a pathway to finally passing the Equal Rights Amendment so that women will truly achieve equal status in the U.S."

All of the songs on the project are original, with selected tracks co-written with songwriters Lindy Gravelle, Lisa Palas, and Lisa Aschmann. Some of the country's top musicians are featured on the recordings, including Catherine Marx, Paul Scholten, Kerry Marx, and Rob Matson. Aubrey Whitfield produced new tracks in London for "Standing On The Shoulders."

To learn more about this CD and the artist, visit <http://earthmama.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/More-About-Her-Story.pdf>. To learn more about Rouse's "HerStory" project, visit <https://earthmama.org/her-story/>. To listen to tracks from the album, visit <https://earthmama.hearnow.com/herstory>. The album and individual songs are available for download and streaming at online services such as Spotify, Apple Music,

iTunes, Deezer, and CD Baby. For more information about the CD or the artist, call (276) 773-8529, send an e-mail message to [Joyce@EarthMama.org](mailto:Joyce@EarthMama.org), visit [www.EarthMama.org](http://www.EarthMama.org) or [www.StandingOnTheShoulders.org](http://www.StandingOnTheShoulders.org).

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