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Stonewall National Museum & Archives Opens New Exhibition *Elected Sisters – Pioneering Bi, Lesbian and Trans Political Leaders*

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL: Stonewall National Museum & Archives (SNMA) is pleased to announce the opening of its third exhibition, since it consolidated its programming at its Fort Lauderdale location.

Elected Sisters – Pioneering Bi, Lesbian and Trans Political Leaders will open on **Friday, September 4, 2020, from 6 pm – 7 pm** with a free virtual opening and curatorial talk by SNMA Executive Director Hunter O'Hanian on ZOOM. [Click here to register for the virtual opening and curatorial talk.](#) Individuals will receive a link and password via email.



Though a woman is presently a candidate for Vice President, no woman has been elected president of the United States. Some have tried, none have made it. Pictured: Kathy Kozachenko.

However, since the 1970's, many women have been elected to other public offices. The 2018 mid-term elections broke the record for the highest number of women elected to federal office. And many of those women are members of the LGBTQ community. As we face national and state elections on November 3rd and celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first steps to ensure a woman's right to vote, we wanted to share the stories of ten women who forged the path for LGBTQ women in public office as seen through SNMA's Archives. Profiled in the exhibition are Roberta Achtenberg, Karen Clark, Joanne Conte, Althea Garrison, Deborah Glick, Cheryl Jacques, Kathy Kozachenko, Elaine Noble, Gail Shibley, and Liz Stefanics.

The exhibition may be viewed in-person starting Tuesday, September 8, 2020, from Monday to Friday, 11am - 5 pm, until Friday, November 6, 2020. Normal safety guidelines (social distancing, masks, temperature checks, etc.) will be in effect. Attendees will be limited to 10 people at a time. Stonewall National Museum & Archives is located at 1300 East Sunrise Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304. Free parking is available. The exhibition will be on view throughout Summer 2020. For those who wish to see the exhibition from their homes, a virtual version of the exhibition will be available at stonewall-museum.org.

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About Stonewall National Museum & Archives

Celebrating 47 years, Stonewall National Museum & Archives (SNMA) promotes understanding through collecting, preserving and sharing the proud culture of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender and queer people of all stories, and their significant role in American society. SNMA currently presents a robust schedule of virtual exhibitions and virtual programs, in South Florida and featured in cities across the country. Visit stonewall-museum.org. Find SNMA on Facebook: [stonewall-museum](https://www.facebook.com/stonewall-museum) and on Instagram: [@stonewallarchive](https://www.instagram.com/stonewallarchive).

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