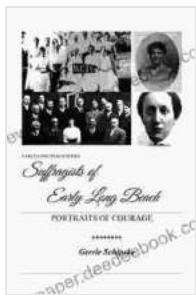


# Portraits in Courage: The Suffragists of Early Long Beach

The women's suffrage movement was a long and arduous struggle, but it was one that was ultimately successful. In the United States, women won the right to vote in 1920, after decades of campaigning and activism. The story of the suffragists who fought for this right is an inspiring one, and it is a story that is worth telling.



## Suffragists of Early Long Beach: Portraits in Courage

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The suffragists of early Long Beach were a diverse group of women who came from all walks of life. They were teachers, lawyers, doctors, housewives, and businesswomen. They were young and old, rich and poor. But they all shared a common goal: they wanted women to have the right to vote.

The suffragists of Long Beach faced many challenges. They were often met with resistance and ridicule. They were told that they were unladylike and that they were trying to destroy the family. But they persevered, and they eventually won the right to vote for women in California in 1911.

The suffragists of Long Beach were pioneers who paved the way for women's rights. They are an inspiration to us all, and their story is one that should be remembered and celebrated.

**Some of the most notable suffragists of early Long Beach include:**

- **Sarah Cory** was a teacher and a suffragist who was active in the Long Beach Equal Suffrage League. She was a delegate to the National American Woman Suffrage Association convention in 1915.
- **Dr. Alice Park** was a physician and a suffragist who was active in the Long Beach Equal Suffrage League. She was a member of the California State Board of Health and the American Medical Association.
- **Nellie Van de Grift Sanchez** was a lawyer and a suffragist who was active in the Long Beach Equal Suffrage League. She was the first woman to practice law in Long Beach and the first woman to serve on the Long Beach City Council.
- **Anna L. Smedley** was a businesswoman and a suffragist who was active in the Long Beach Equal Suffrage League. She was the owner of the Smedley Department Store and the Long Beach Press.
- **Mary Foy Storer** was a housewife and a suffragist who was active in the Long Beach Equal Suffrage League. She was the president of the

Long Beach Woman's Club and the California State Federation of Women's Clubs.

These are just a few of the many suffragists who fought for women's right to vote in Long Beach. Their courage and determination helped to make California one of the first states to grant women the right to vote. Their legacy is one that should be remembered and celebrated.

### **The Suffragists of Long Beach: A Legacy of Courage**

The suffragists of Long Beach were a group of courageous women who fought for what they believed in. They faced many challenges, but they never gave up. Their legacy is one that should be remembered and celebrated.

The suffragists of Long Beach helped to make California one of the first states to grant women the right to vote. Their victory was a major step forward in the fight for women's rights. It is a victory that we should all be grateful for.

The suffragists of Long Beach are an inspiration to us all. They show us that anything is possible if we have the courage to fight for what we believe in. Let us all be inspired by their example and work to make the world a better place for everyone.

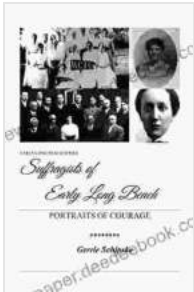


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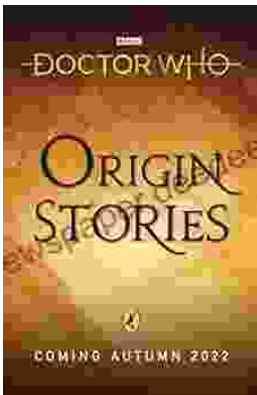


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