

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Women's History Month, RI style

Women's History Month began in 1987 to celebrate the women who trailblazed before us and inspire future generations.

Our foremothers laid a strong foundation. In Rhode Island, we aren't strangers to female leadership.

Two of our most recent and now well-known female leaders are former Governor Gina Raimondo and RI-DOH's Director Dr. Nicole Alexander-Scott.

Over the past 150 years women such as these have made a lasting impression in the health care field.

Elizabeth Blackwell, MD became America's first female doctor in 1849. Marie Curie became the first woman to receive a Nobel Prize in 1903 and the first person to win two Nobel Prizes.

In 1991, businesswoman Evelyn Lauder and SELF magazine editor-in-chief Alexandra Penney co-created the pink breast cancer awareness ribbon forever changing how we talk about breast cancer and saving countless lives.

Supporting female leadership is more important than ever in this new COVID world. From where I sit, four out of five Rhode Island Medical Imaging's (RIMI) C-suite seats are filled by women.

Seventy-nine percent of our 500-person company is female, too. RIMI's female leaders have earned their positions because we are the right fit for the job and our contributions continue to strengthen our company. Working together we can all continue the momentum of those who came before us.

*Dana Alexander Nolfé, North Kingstown*

### Join the conversation

We want to hear from you. Your Turn commentaries should be no more than 600 words, including a short bio of the writer. Letters to the editor should be no more than 250 words; we prefer 150 or fewer.

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### Money well spent?

You can tell the stimulus package was all Democrat. \$450 billion is going out of the country for global projects like green energy in Africa and speed boats for Indonesian drug agents. \$950 billion will be spent between 2022 and 2028 on pork projects mostly in Democratic districts.

All the red states will be bailing out all the blue states' pension funds, so much for fiscal responsibility. Only \$200 billion of the \$1.7 trillion will be spent on COVID relief. Checks for working families would be bigger if undocumented immigrants and inmates including lifers in prison had not been included.

Anyone for \$5 a gallon gas?

*Denis Joyal, Warwick*