

*Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the
County of Monterey, State of California*

Resolution No.

Adopt a resolution recognizing June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month in Monterey County

WHEREAS, in the four decades since the June 1969 Stonewall Riots, civil rights for LGBTQ+ people have grown substantially, and LGBTQ+ pride celebrations have taken place around the country every June; and

WHEREAS, each day, more lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people are elected to public offices across the country, serve in the United States Armed Forces, occupy the highest positions in business and many other professions, participate in religious and spiritual communities, and serve as role models for all; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate the progress we have made in creating a community more inclusive and accepting of the LGBTQ+ community while recognizing that LGBTQ+ individuals continue to suffer discrimination, hostility and exclusion at almost every level of society, including in areas of housing, employment, healthcare, family law, immigration, religion, and marriage equality; and

WHEREAS, to achieve a just and fair society, we must not only respect one another, but also appreciate our differences, recognize the common good in all of us, and celebrate diversity as one of our greatest strengths; and

WHEREAS, Salinas Valley Pride and Monterey Peninsula Pride holds annual events to increase awareness, acceptance, and inclusion of LGBTQ+ individuals; and

WHEREAS, Monterey County approved the creation of Employee Resource Groups in 2021 to help uplift the voices of employees, paving the way for the county's first LGBTQ+ employee resource group whose goals are to highlight, educate, and outreach around the needs and support of Monterey County LGBTQ+ employees and their allies; and

WHEREAS, all people deserve to live with dignity and respect, free from fear and violence, and protected against discrimination, regardless of their gender identity or sexual orientation and we understand the unique challenges faced by sexual and gender minorities, especially transgender and gender non-conforming individuals and are taking steps to address them;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, on behalf of the County and all citizens thereof, that June is proclaimed as "Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month" in Monterey County and all residents are called upon to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists, and to celebrate the great diversity of Monterey County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rainbow Flag, a symbol of pride for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer community and LGBTQ+ social movements will be

flown at the 168 West Alisal Monterey County Government Center for the month of June in Monterey County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this ___ day of ____ 2022, upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____ by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Valeria Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book_____ for the meeting on _____.

Dated: Valeria Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

County of Monterey, State of California

By _____
Deputy