



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, The Stonewall Riots began in New York on June 28, 1969, and are regarded as a catalyst for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer, also known as LGBTQ+ movement for civil rights in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, June is celebrated as LGBTQ+ Pride Month nationwide; and
- WHEREAS, The City of Fairfax has a diverse LGBTQ+ community that includes people of all ethnicities, religions and professions actively engaged in every aspect of life in our community; and
- WHEREAS, The City of Fairfax is a proud center for the Transgender Education Association of Greater Washington, and The Metropolitan Community Church of Northern Virginia, part of the first denomination formed by and for LGBTQ+ people in 1968; and
- WHEREAS, Everyone should be able to live without fear of prejudice, discrimination, violence or hatred based on gender identity or sexual orientation; and
- WHEREAS, The City of Fairfax urges the General Assembly to pass legislation eliminating discrimination and barriers to all residents regardless of gender identity/expression or sexual orientation affecting employment, housing, public safety, policing, health care, education and recognition of family relationships.

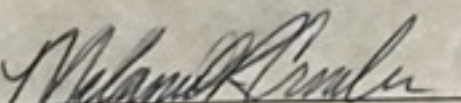
NOW THEREFORE I David L. Meyer, Mayor of the City of Fairfax, in concert with the City Council and on behalf of all residents of the City of Fairfax, do hereby proclaim June 2019 as

LGBTQ+ Pride Month

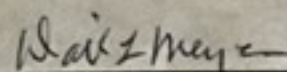
in the City of Fairfax and urges all residents to respect and honor our diverse community and celebrate and build a culture of inclusiveness and acceptance.

Done this 11th day of June 2019.

ATTEST:


City Clerk





Mayor