



## **Resolution**

### Recognizing June as Pride Month in Winooski

---

**Whereas**, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winooski recognize and proclaims the month of June 2022 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and Questioning, Intersex, Asexual and more (LGBTQIA+) "Pride Month" throughout the City of Winooski; and

**Whereas**, the "+" in LGBTQIA+ encompasses the whole community and the identities there in, including those who are questioning, intersex, nonbinary or agender, asexual, and anyone else who does not identify as cisgender and heterosexual; and

**Whereas**, LGBTQIA+ people have existed throughout human history, contributing to all aspects of public, civic, and private life; and

**Whereas**, in honor of the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in Manhattan and to honor the contribution of the trans, BIPOC women leaders such as Marsha P. Johnson and Sylvia Rivera and all others who stood up for equal rights; and

**Whereas**, the subsequent first Pride march in New York City in June 1970 and in Vermont in June 1983, each June, Americans come together to celebrate LGBTQIA+ people; and

**Whereas**, Vermont became the first state to introduce Civil Unions on July 1st, 2000 and on September 1st, 2009 became the first state to adopt same-sex marriage by enacting statute instead of as required court order, represents Vermont's dedication to LGBTQIA+ equal rights; and

**Whereas**, the City of Winooski has a diverse LGBTQIA+ community and is committed to supporting visibility, dignity, equity, inclusion, and belonging for all people in the community; and

**Whereas**, the City of Winooski recognizes the valuable contributions of LGBTQIA+ individuals in our local businesses, community and civic organizations, cultural events, arts, education, and all areas of local life past and present; and

**Whereas**, the City of Winooski observes June as a time to celebrate our dynamic LGBTQIA+ community, raise awareness of quality services, and foster a dialogue to promote healthy, safe, inclusive, and prosperous school climates and communities for all; and

**Whereas**, while society at large increasingly supports LGBTQIA+ equality, it is essential to acknowledge that the need for education and awareness remains vital to end discrimination and prejudice and continued advancement of equal rights; and

**Whereas**, celebrating Pride Month influences awareness and provides support and advocacy for Winooski's LGBTQIA+ community, and is an opportunity to take action and engage in dialogue to strengthen alliances, build acceptance, and advance equal rights; and

**Whereas**, because of the acts of courage of the millions who came out and spoke out to demand justice, and of those who quietly toiled and pushed for progress, our country has made great strides in recognizing what these brave individuals long knew to be true in their hearts - that no person should be judged by anything but the content of their character; and

**Now, therefore be it resolved**, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winooski recognize June as "Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and Questioning, Intersex, Asexual, and more (LGBTQIA+) Pride Month" in the City of Winooski to inspire equity, create alliances, celebrate diversity, and establish safe environments in our schools and communities throughout the City.

**Be it further resolved**, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winooski fully supports the rights, freedoms, and equal treatment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, and asexual people; and to unequivocally show this support will continue to fly the Progress Pride Flag in the Winooski Rotary.

Affirmative Vote:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Councilor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Councilor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Councilor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Councilor

**City of Winooski**  
Vermont's Opportunity City

27 West Allen Street  
Winooski, Vermont 05404  
802 655 6410  
**winooski.vt.gov**

---

Adopted

---

Rejected

---

Attest (City Clerk)

---

Approved Date