



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION CELEBRATING
LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH 2021
IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County is home to a diverse Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) community; and each June, the LGBTQ+ community and their allies celebrate Pride Month, a time to recognize and honor the significant progress made by LGBTQ+ Americans; and

WHEREAS, The Stonewall Uprising, which occurred in June 28th – July 3rd, 1969, is considered to be the launching moment of the movement for LGBTQ+ civil rights, equality, and inclusion; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ people have persisted through many obstacles, including: the denial of the right to marry, discrimination in employment and housing, the inadequate response to the AIDS epidemic, the lack of protection from hate crimes, and marginalization in media and society; and

WHEREAS, while LGBTQ+ Californians are now protected from many of these issues, challenges still remain, especially for: LGBTQ+ youth, LGBTQ+ seniors, transgender and gender non-conforming community members, and LGBTQ+ people of color; and the County of Santa Barbara stands against all forms of LGBTQ+ discrimination and wants all LGBTQ+ people — especially youth — to know that they are valued members of our community; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ people have contributed greatly to Santa Barbara County, enhancing our community's culture and serving in influential roles in the government, business, arts, and philanthropic sectors; and

WHEREAS, for decades, LGBTQ+ community members have formed advocacy and support organizations to enhance the quality of life of LGBTQ+ Santa Barbara County residents, including: the Pacific Pride Foundation, House of Pride and Equality, and the Resource Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity; and

WHEREAS, the month of June is a time for reflection, celebration, and renewed hope for LGBTQ+ people and everyone in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors declares the month of June 2021 to be LGBTQ+ Pride Month in Santa Barbara County; and that this Board encourages all community members to commit to being good allies to members of our LGBTQ+ community.

Passed and adopted on this 15th day of June 2021, by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Monica Reyesato
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