

Town of Princeton

PRIDE MONTH PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, celebrating Pride Month raises awareness and provides support and advocacy for the LGBTQ+ community, and is an opportunity to become educated, engage in dialogue, strengthen alliances and build understanding; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Princeton supports the rights of every citizen to experience equality and freedom from discrimination; and

WHEREAS, Princeton is committed to being an inclusive community and welcoming of all people regardless of their sexual orientation and gender identity and recognizes that we are a diverse community, enriched by this diversity; and

WHEREAS, while there has been remarkable progress towards acceptance and equality, members of the LGBTQ+ community continue to face discrimination, intolerance, hate, and in particular our youth, who compared to their peers are far more likely to experience violence and bullying; and

WHEREAS, We must push back against those who threaten the safety of LGBTQ+ residents and challenge our progress. We must continue to make the case that all human beings share many things in common, fundamental to that - all of us want to be loved, and all of us want to love; and

WHEREAS, Princeton celebrates its diverse LGBTQ+ community; and is committed to ensuring equality for all our residents, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, we have improved attitudes in our society by encouraging inclusiveness throughout our community and celebrating PRIDE month, and

NOW THEREFORE, by authority vested in the Selectboard, hereby proclaim the month of June as Pride Month in the Town of Princeton, and encourage everyone to treat others with mutual respect and understanding.