

# PROCLAMATION

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## LGBTQ Pride Month June 2021

WHEREAS, the month of June is globally recognized as LGBTQ Pride Month to commemorate the Stonewall Uprising that occurred in Manhattan in 1969; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ Pride Month was established in a worldwide effort to provide a positive stance against violence and discrimination toward lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer persons; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany embraces and welcomes all people of diverse backgrounds as a critical aspect of fostering a vibrant community; and

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ community contributes to the academic, artistic, civic, and economic success of Albany; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany recognizes the importance of supporting Albany's LGBTQ community and is dedicated to ensuring all Albany residents are empowered to live their lives openly and achieve their greatest potential.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Alexander D. Johnson II, Mayor of the city of Albany, Oregon, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2021 to be

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in Albany, and I encourage all residents to accept, celebrate, and recognize the efforts and ongoing contributions of the LGBTQ communities within Albany and to work together to end discrimination against these members of our community.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Albany to be affixed this 26th day of May 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex Johnson II", is written over a horizontal line.

Alexander D. Johnson II, Mayor