

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, we celebrate June as Pride Month, marking the Stonewall Riots in June 1969 which were a turning point for LGBTQIA+ citizens that rose up against discriminatory laws; and

WHEREAS, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) citizens are our family, friends, neighbors, leaders and co-workers; and

WHEREAS, all people, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, religion, marital status, national origin, gender identity, sexual orientation or physical challenge, have the right to be treated on the basis of their intrinsic value as a human being, and to live freely without fear of discrimination, violence or hatred; and

WHEREAS, June has become a nationally recognized moment to honor the way LGBTQIA+ Americans have overcome adversity and enriched our society;

WHEREAS, Medford, Oregon respects our diverse LGBTQIA+ community which includes people of all races, ethnicities, religions, and professions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Medford strives to be a community where everyone is valued for their differences, rather than being limited by what might divide us.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Randy Sparacino, Mayor of Medford, do hereby proclaim June 2022 as

LGBTQIA+ PRIDE MONTH

in recognition and celebration of the many ways in which the history and culture of LGBTQIA+ Americans, and the advancements, discoveries and achievements of LGBTQIA+ Americans, have contributed to the history, culture, and social fabric of the nation and of the City of Medford.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,
I hereunto set my hand this
16th day of June, 2022.



Randy Sparacino
Mayor of Medford

