## Proclamation

## PRIDE MONTH June 2023

**WHEREAS,** the City of Redwood City recognizes the month of June to honor the history of the LGBTQ+ liberation movement and to support the rights of all citizens to experience equality and freedom from discrimination; and

**WHEREAS,** all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. LGBTQ+ individuals have had immeasurable impact to the cultural, civic and economic successes of our country; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Redwood City is committed to supporting visibility, dignity and equality for LGBTQ people in our diverse community; and

**WHEREAS,** while society at large increasingly supports LGBTQ+ equality, it is essential to acknowledge that the need for education and awareness remains vital to end discrimination and prejudice; and

**WHEREAS**, this nation was founded on the principle that every individual has infinite dignity and worth, and the Redwood City Council calls upon the people of this municipality to embrace this principle and work to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists; and

**WHEREAS,** celebrating Pride Month influences awareness and provides support and advocacy for San Mateo County's LGBTQ+ community, and is an opportunity to take action and engage in dialogue to strengthen alliances, build acceptance and advance equal rights.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Redwood City herby proclaims the month of June 2023 as Pride Month in support of the LGBTQ+ community.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Pride flag, widely recognized as a symbol of pride, inclusion, and support for social movements that advocate for LGBTQ+ people in society, will be raised at Courthouse Square beginning Thursday, June 1 for the entire month of June, recognizing all LGBTQ+ residents whose influential and lasting contributions to our neighborhoods make Redwood City a vibrant community in which to live, work and visit.

Date: May 22, 2023



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