City of Santa Clara Ophoclamation

WHEREAS, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual (LGBTQIA+) Pride Month is celebrated annually in June to honor the 1969 Stonewall riots and to recognize the impact that LGBTQIA+ individuals have had on our nation's history; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Clara is strengthened by and thrives upon the rich diversity of ethnic, cultural, racial, gender, and sexual identities of its residents, all of which contribute to the vibrant character of our city; and

WHEREAS, on November 13, 2012, the City of Santa Clara adopted Ordinance No. 1899 to protect and safeguard the right and opportunity of all persons to be free from all forms of discrimination, including discrimination based on age, race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, disability, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, and sexual orientation; and

whereas, in June 2017, the Santa Clara City Council flew the Pride flag over City Hall for the first time in the City's history, and in May 2019, the Santa Clara City Council adopted Resolution No. 19-8705, authorizing the annual display of the LGBTQ+ Pride rainbow flag during the month of June; and

WHEREAS, on June 7, 2024, the Santa Clara City Council will raise the Progress Pride flag over Santa Clara City Hall, where it will fly throughout the month of June, in honor of LGBTQIA+ Pride Month; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LISA M. GILLMOR, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2024 as

LGBTQIA+ Pride Month

in the City of Santa Clara and do hereby encourage all residents to celebrate the progress within our culture towards justice, equality, and full civic recognition for LGBTQIA+ persons.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Santa Clara, California, this 4th day of June 2024.

LISA M. GILLMOR MAYOR City of Santa Clara