

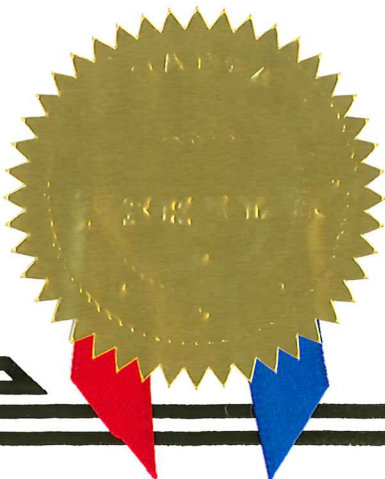
*City of Santa Clara*  
**Proclamation**


- WHEREAS,** Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month is celebrated annually in June to honor the 1969 Stonewall riots and to recognize the impact that LGBTQ individuals have had on our nation's history; and
- WHEREAS,** on June 28, 1969, patrons of the Stonewall Inn staged an uprising to resist the police harassment and persecution to which Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) individuals were commonly subjected; the Stonewall riots mark the beginning of the LGBT civil rights movement to outlaw discriminatory laws and practices, and paved the way forward towards LGBTQ equality; and
- WHEREAS,** equality of opportunity and freedom from discrimination are among the basic, inalienable moral rights of every person, necessary for the development and exercise of our most vital capacities and preconditions of human flourishing; our nation was founded and is guided upon the principles of equal rights for all people; that each person has right to their life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness; and that each person shall be accorded the full recognition and protection of the law; 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 LGBTQ Pride rainbow 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the annual display of the LGBTQ Pride rainbow flag during the month of June, unless and until the resolution is rescinded; and
- WHEREAS,** on June 5, 2020, the Santa Clara City Council will raise the rainbow flag over Santa Clara City Hall, where it fly throughout the month of June, in honor of LGBTQ Pride Month;
- 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 2020, as

**LGBTQ 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 LGBTQ persons.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Santa Clara, California, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2020.



  
**LISA M. GILLMOR**  
**MAYOR**  
City of Santa Clara