

PROCLAMATION in Recognition of LGBTQ PRIDE MONTH

WHEREAS, this June marks the 53rd anniversary of the Stonewall riots, which were a series of demonstrations by members of the gay community against a police raid that took place on June 28, 1969, at the Stonewall Inn in the Greenwich Village neighborhood of Manhattan, New York City that served as a catalyst for the gay rights movement.

WHEREAS, the rainbow flag, also known as the LGBT pride flag or gay pride flag, has been present since the 1970s as a symbol of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender inclusiveness and social movements;

WHEREAS, many residents, veterans, students, employees, business owners, and visitors to the Town of Yountville are part of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning community who contribute to the widespread academic, economic, artistic, and social fabric of the entire Napa Valley;

WHEREAS, June is commemorated around the globe as "International Gay Pride Month" to honor and celebrate the history, achievements, and contributions of LGBTQ people, and it gives us the opportunity to come together in various celebrations of freedom and pride;

WHEREAS, the Town of Yountville is committed to support and encourage diversity and belonging in the workplace and throughout the community, as stated in the Town's 2009 Equal Rights Resolution;

WHEREAS, June has become a symbolic month in which lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer (or questioning), and intersex people, their families, friends, and allies come together in various celebrations of freedom and pride;

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that I, John F. Dunbar, Mayor of the Town of Yountville, along with the Town Council, do hereby proclaim June 2022 as "Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Pride Month" and invite everyone to reflect on ways we all can advance the rights and protections of LGBTQ people and live and work together with a commitment to mutual respect and understanding.

John F. Dunbar, Mayor

Dated: May 17, 2022