



# PROCLAMATION

## in Recognition of

## LGBTQ PRIDE MONTH

**WHEREAS**, this June marks the 54<sup>th</sup> 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 Lower Manhattan, New York City that served as a catalyst for the gay rights movement.

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

**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; and

**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 and to raise the Philadelphia Pride Flag in front of Town Hall; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Yountville is committed to supporting and encouraging diversity and belonging in the workplace and throughout the community, as stated in the Town’s 2009 Equal Rights Resolution; and

**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, Margie Mohler, Mayor of the Town of Yountville, along with the Town Council, do hereby proclaim June 2023 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.

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Margie Mohler, Mayor

Dated: June 6, 2023