



CITY OF SEBASTOPOL

Proclamation

A Proclamation of the City Council of the City of Sebastopol Recognizing June As "Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer+ (LGBTQ+) Pride Month"

WHEREAS, the City of Sebastopol proclaims the month of June 2024 as "Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer+ (LGBTQ+) Pride Month"; and

WHEREAS, in honor of the first Pride march in New York City in June 1970, each June, Americans come together to celebrate LGBTQ+ people; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sebastopol is committed to supporting visibility, dignity, and equity for all people in the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sebastopol observes June as a time to celebrate our dynamic LGBTQI+ community in a way that both acknowledges past and current injustices while also fostering a dialogue to promote greater equality as well as healthier and safer communities for all; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sebastopol observes June as a time to celebrate our dynamic LGBTQ+ community, raise awareness of quality services, and foster a dialogue to promote healthy and safe communities for all; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ people make vital contributions to and enhance the social and economic fabric of Sebastopol in the fields of education, law, health, business, science, research, economic development, architecture, fashion, sports, government, music, film, technology, literature, civil rights, politics, and more; and

WHEREAS, because of the acts of courage of the millions who came out and spoke out to demand justice, and of those who quietly toiled and pushed for progress, our country has made great strides in recognizing what these brave individuals long knew to be true in their hearts - that no person should be judged by anything but the content of their character.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sebastopol recognizes June as "Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer+ (LGBTQ+) Pride Month" in the City of Sebastopol to inspire equity, create alliances, celebrate diversity, and establish safe environments in our schools and communities throughout the City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the Great Seal of the City of Sebastopol this 4th day of June, 2024.

Diana Gardner Rich, Mayor