



TOWN OF SUDBURY

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PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:** Sudbury is a community committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion for its residents, students, employees, and visitors; and
- WHEREAS:** during the month of June, Pride celebrations are held across the United States in recognition of the Stonewall Uprising, the birth of the modern LGBTQ+ rights movement — a call to action that continues to inspire us to live up to our Nation’s promise of equality, liberty, and justice for all; and
- WHEREAS:** Pride is a time to recall the trials the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) community has endured and to rejoice in the triumphs of trailblazing individuals who have bravely fought — and continue to fight — for full equality; and
- WHEREAS:** our Nation continues to witness a tragic spike in violence against transgender women of color; and
- WHEREAS:** LGBTQ+ individuals — especially youth who defy sex or gender norms — face bullying and harassment in educational settings and are at a disproportionate risk of self-harm and death by suicide; and
- WHEREAS:** we recognize the resilience and determination of the many individuals who are fighting to live freely and authentically; and
- WHEREAS:** we affirm our obligation to uphold the dignity of all people, and dedicate ourselves to protecting the most vulnerable among us; and
- WHEREAS:** ending violence and discrimination against the LGBTQ+ community demands our continued focus and diligence; and
- WHEREAS:** we stand with the LGBTQ+ community to protect their civil rights; and
- WHEREAS:** the LGBTQ+ community has contributed to Sudbury’s rich history since its inception; and
- WHEREAS:** celebrating Pride Month influences awareness and provides support and advocacy for Sudbury’s LGBTQ+ community, and is an opportunity to act and engage in dialogue to strengthen alliances, build acceptance and advance equal rights; and
- WHEREAS:** Sudbury community members are organizing events to celebrate our diverse LGBTQ+ community, and

WHEREAS: we urge all community members to celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride by celebrating Pride and displaying Pride banners as visible manifestations of Sudbury's commitment to full inclusion of our LGBTQ+ community.

NOW, THEREFORE,

The Select Board, on behalf of the Town of Sudbury, do hereby proclaim THE MONTH OF JUNE (and the month of June in years hence) AS 'LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH' within the Town of Sudbury.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED

The Select Board, on behalf of the Town of Sudbury, do hereby proclaim the second Saturday (and the second Saturday in June in years hence) as 'FAMILY PRIDE DAY' within the Town of Sudbury.

Sources for LGBTQ+ Pride Month Proclamation Content

- *Presidential Actions, "A Proclamation on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Pride Month, 2021," June 01, 2021*
- *Town of Lexington, MA, "Pride Day & Pride Week Proclamation," May 24, 2021*

SELECT BOARD





Celebrate Pride!

Wednesday, June 5

4:00-6:00 PM

Join us as we celebrate Pride month! Drop-in for colorful crafts, bracelet making, glitter tattoos, face painting, cake, and more!

All Are Welcome!



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