PROCLAMATION

Proclamation Declaring June 2022 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, and Asexual (LGBTQIA+) Pride Month Throughout Mchenry County (12)

WHEREAS, McHenry County recognizes and proclaims the month of June 2022 as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) Pride Month throughout McHenry County; and

WHEREAS, McHenry County supports the rights of every citizen to experience equality and freedom from discrimination; and

WHEREAS, the month of June was designated Pride Month to commemorate the Stonewall Riots which occurred in June of 1969 and are generally recognized as the catalyst of the LGBTQIA+ Rights Movement; and

WHEREAS, all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. LGBTQIA+ individuals have had an immeasurable impact on the cultural, civic, and economic successes of our country; and

WHEREAS, the long and ongoing struggle of transgender, lesbian, gay, bisexual, and other sexual and gender minorities for basic civil and human rights continues to provide inspiration to all; and

WHEREAS, McHenry County is committed to supporting visibility, dignity, and equality for LGBTQIA+ people in our diverse community; and

WHEREAS, while society has increasingly supported LGBTQIA+ equality, it is essential to acknowledge that the need for education and awareness remains vital to end discrimination and prejudice; and

WHEREAS, this nation was founded on the principle that every individual has infinite dignity and worth, and McHenry County calls upon the people of this municipality to embrace this principle and work to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois hereby proclaims the month of June 2022 as Pride Month in support of the LGBTQIA+ community.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the rainbow flag will be raised on this month of June recognizing all LGBTQIA+ residents whose influential and lasting contribution to our neighborhoods make McHenry County a vibrant community in which to live, work and visit.

DATED at Woodstock, Illinois, this 6th day of June, A.D., 2022.

	Michael Buehler, Chairman McHenry County Board
ATTEST:	merionity country Board
Joseph J. Tirio, County Clerk	