

# Humboldt County Board of Supervisors **PROCLAMATION**

*in honor of*

## **Pride Month**

**WHEREAS**, the month of June is annually celebrated as Pride Month throughout the country to honor the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in Manhattan, which is acknowledged as a tipping point for the 2SLGBTQIA+ rights movement; and

**WHEREAS**, the first Pride march was held on June 28, 1970, in New York City, on the one-year anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising and continue across the U.S. and in Humboldt County; and

**WHEREAS**, the rainbow flag is widely recognized as a symbol of pride, inclusion, and support for social movements that advocate for 2SLGBTQIA+ people in society and shall be raised annually throughout the month of June at County of Humboldt facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, 2SLGBTQIA+ people are residents, colleagues, leaders, neighbors and loved ones who continue to have influential and lasting contributions that make the county a vibrant community in which to live, work and visit; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Humboldt is committed to advocating for equity, visibility, dignity, and safety of 2SLGBTQIA+ people, as well as our most vulnerable Trans/BIPOC members in this diverse community; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2023, the County of Humboldt's first Queer Workplace Connection Group was established as a space for 2SLGBTQIA+ employees and their allies within the organization to convene for the purpose of policy suggestion, networking and professional development.

**WHEREAS**, while society at large increasingly supports 2SLGBTQIA+ equality, it is essential to acknowledge that education and advocacy remains vital to end discrimination and prejudice within Humboldt County and across the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2020 over one hundred state laws attacking transgender people and their rights have passed but also as of 2024, twenty-three states have passed laws explicitly protecting 2SLGBTQIA+ people from discrimination at work, in school, and in public spaces; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Humboldt calls upon the people of this county to embrace the principles that all people have the right to experience equality and freedom from discrimination and to work to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists; and

**WHEREAS**, celebrating Pride Month promotes awareness and provides support and advocacy for Humboldt County's 2SLGBTQIA+ community and is an opportunity to take action and engage in dialogue to strengthen alliances, build acceptance, advance equal rights, and to honor the humanity of all people.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims June 2026, and annually thereafter, as Pride Month in celebration and support of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community.

June 9, 2026



Mike Wilson, Chair