

City of Kenmore, Washington
Pride Month – June 2022
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The City and Council of Kenmore recognizes that one of our greatest strengths is the diversity, cultural richness, and intersectionality of our people; *and*

WHEREAS, we hold steadfast that all persons deserve to live with dignity, respect, and justice; and that acts of discrimination, violence and hate will not be tolerated; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kenmore recognizes the many contributions the LGBTQ+ community makes to our community, through the arts, literature, business, labor, and public service; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the many important strides and gains made by the LGBTQ+ community, with marriage equality; the freedom to be; and ability to love who you love; *and*

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ+ community continues to be a target of harassment, intimidation, discrimination, and violence; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kenmore passed Resolution #17-292, on March 6, 2017, Reaffirming Kenmore as a Safe, Inclusive and Welcoming City for All People, and in 2021 adopted the Safe Place Proclamation, then later that same year formed the Diversity Equity and Inclusion Taskforce; *and*

WHEREAS, the first Pride celebration was held in 1970, on the anniversary of the Stonewall riots; *and*

WHEREAS, the Kenmore City Council first recognized Pride Week in 2018 by proclamation, began flying the Pride Flag at City Hall in June of 2019, and recognized Pride Month beginning in 2020; *and*

WHEREAS, Pride Month is a time of celebration; highlighting and celebrating the many contributions and strides made by Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Queer and Transgender persons of our community and nation; and we further recognize that, LGBTQ+ rights are human rights; *and*

WHEREAS, The Kenmore City Council is renewing our commitment to LGBTQ+ rights with this 2022 Pride Proclamation, and will express this commitment by raising and flying the Pride Flag on June 1st at Kenmore City Hall, and throughout the month of June;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nigel Herbig, Mayor of the City of Kenmore, with and on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim June 2022 as **PRIDE MONTH** and invite our community to celebrate throughout the City of Kenmore.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, signed this 23rd day of May 2022.



Signed: _____
Mayor Nigel Herbig

Attested: _____
City Clerk Anastasiya Warhol