Proclamation Pride Month June 2022

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Clemson recognizes and proclaims the month of June 2022 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Plus (LGBTQ+) "Pride Month" throughout the City of Clemson; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clemson joins the country in recognizing and honoring the history of the LGBTQ+ liberation movement and supports the rights of all citizens to experience equality and freedom from discrimination; and

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

WHEREAS, the City of Clemson is committed to supporting visibility, dignity, and equality for LGBTQ+ people in our diverse community; and

WHEREAS, while society at large increasingly supports LGBTQ+ 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 the City Council calls upon the people of this municipality to embrace this principle and to work to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists; and

WHEREAS, celebrating Pride Month influences awareness and provides support and advocacy for the City of Clemson's LGBTQ+ community, and is an opportunity for all citizens to take action and engage in dialogue to strengthen alliances, build acceptance, and advance equal rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Clemson City Council do hereby proclaim the month of June 2022 as Pride Month in support of the LGBTQ+ community and in recognition of all LGBTQ+ residents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Clemson to be affixed this 31st of May, 2022.

Robert Halfacre, Mayor

Beverly A. Coleman, MMC

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