



CITY OF
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Proclamation

LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH JUNE 2021

WHEREAS, Since 1969, the City of St. Charles has been known to all as “The Pride of the Fox,” and the City of St. Charles strives to celebrate Pride with its residents and all who set foot in the City; and

WHEREAS, The United States was founded upon the declaration that all people are created equal; that life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are among the inalienable rights of every person; and that each shall be afforded the equal protection of the law; and

WHEREAS, The month of June is designated as Pride Month across the land to commemorate the Stonewall Riots which occurred in June, 1969, generally recognized as the catalyst of the LGBTQ+ Rights Movement; and

WHEREAS, While much progress has been made, the ongoing struggle of transgender, lesbian, gay, bisexual and other sexual minorities for basic civil rights continues to provide inspiration to all, the lives and livelihoods of LGBTQ+ are still often threatened; and

WHEREAS, All citizens and especially our youth should feel valued, safe, empowered and supported by their peers, educators, community leaders and the community at large, without regard to sexual orientation, gender identity or expression; and

WHEREAS, St. Charles celebrates the history and diversity of our city’s lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community, and promotes an atmosphere in which all residents can live free from discrimination; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ Pride Month is an opportunity to celebrate the harmony in which we all coexist.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lora Vitek Mayor of the City of St. Charles, do hereby proclaim June 2021 as **LGBTQ+ Pride Month** in the City of St. Charles, Illinois and call upon all citizens to celebrate the growing diversity of the Pride of the Fox.

SEAL:



Lora A. Vitek, Mayor