

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond values diversity, equity, and inclusion, and recognizes that Lesbian, Gay, Bi, Trans, Queer, Intersex, Asexual and other sexual and gender minority (LGBTQIA+) residents, employees, students, families, business owners, and community leaders help shape a stronger and more vibrant city; and

WHEREAS, Pride Month traces its roots to 1969 and the Stonewall Uprising, a pivotal moment that was led by Marsha P Johnson and Sylvia Rivera and helped ignite the LGBTQIA+ rights movement, as well as inspired generations of advocates working toward visibility, equal treatment, and civil rights for all; and

WHEREAS, Redmond strives to foster a community where every person is treated with dignity and respect, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; and

WHEREAS, local organizations, advocates, and community members continue to create welcoming spaces for connection, celebration, education, and support throughout Redmond and the Eastside; and

WHEREAS, events and other community-led initiatives in Redmond and the Eastside provide opportunities to celebrate authenticity, build understanding, and strengthen community bonds among residents of all backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond acknowledges that members of the LGBTQIA+ community continue to face barriers and discrimination, and reaffirms its commitment to advancing safety, belonging, and equal opportunity for all; and

WHEREAS, Pride Month serves both as a celebration of the contributions and resilience of LGBTQIA+ communities and as a reminder of the ongoing work needed to ensure equity and inclusion in every part of society.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANGELA BIRNEY, Mayor of the City of Redmond, do hereby proclaim June 2026 as

Pride Month

in the City of Redmond and encourage all residents to join in celebrating the LGBTQIA+ community and reaffirming Redmond's commitment to inclusion and belonging for all.



Angela Birney
June 2026