



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, the City of Redmond is committed to supporting visibility, dignity, and equality for all people; and
- WHEREAS, lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people are family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers who enrich Redmond's diverse community; and
- WHEREAS, Pride month began in June of 1969 on the one-year anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising in New York City after people in the gay community and allied friends rose up and fought against the constant police harassment and discriminatory laws that have since been declared unconstitutional; and
- WHEREAS, the fight for dignity, equality, and inclusion for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people has been hard-fought in the streets and in the courts of this country; and
- WHEREAS, in 2017, the City of Redmond adopted the Cultural Inclusion resolution that welcomes all community members and visitors regardless of age, race, ethnicity, country of origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, religion, income, political persuasion, or cultural practices; and
- WHEREAS, one of Redmond's core values is welcoming, with the City's Community Strategic Plan highlighting inclusion so that all residents, workers, and visitors in our community, are safe, accepted, and supported by their peers, neighbors, and community leaders; and
- WHEREAS, while society at large widely supports LGBTQ equality, it is essential to acknowledge that the need for education and awareness remains vital to end discrimination and prejudice;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANGELA BIRNEY, Mayor of the City of Redmond, Washington, do hereby proclaim June 2021 as

PRIDE MONTH

in Redmond to celebrate lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender members of the community and affirm the City's commitment to protect and serve everyone in the greater Redmond community without discrimination.



Angela Birney, Mayor

June 1, 2021

Date