



WHEREAS, Santa Rosa’s vibrant LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer) communities comprise thousands of individuals, families and supporters who are an integral part of the fabric of our City and who demonstrate pride and commitment throughout the year by virtue of their contributions to our City’s economy and quality of life, especially as: elected and appointed officials, professionals, business owners, decision-makers and employees in government, including the City of Santa Rosa, as well as public and private enterprises, parents, students, homeowners, charitable contributors, volunteers and more; and

WHEREAS, June is designated “International Pride Month” honoring the history and achievements of LGBTQ+ people during which millions attend public celebrations around the globe to commemorate, as they have for 47 years, the 1969 “Stonewall Uprising” that served as the catalyst for the modern LGBTQ+ civil rights movements; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ Communities in Sonoma County have much to celebrate in terms of business and professional achievements, artistic expression, political involvement, community activities and life-affirming family relationships, including marriage, and are a vital part of Sonoma County culture; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Rosa and LGBTQ+ Communities in Sonoma County continue to support and encourage diversity in the workplace and throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, Positive Images, established in 1990, provides support and advocacy to Sonoma County’s gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, and intersex youth and young adults, and educates the greater community; and

WHEREAS, the City is proud of its skilled, talented, and dedicated employees, including LGBTQ+ individuals who work in a wide variety of jobs providing service to the people of Santa Rosa.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Chris Coursey, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of June to be

PRIDE MONTH

Mayor Chris Coursey
June 6, 2017