



# TOWN OF FAIRFAX

## STAFF REPORT

### March 17, 2021

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** Michele Gardner, Town Clerk

**SUBJECT:** Adopt a resolution recognizing and declaring March 31<sup>st</sup> annually as Transgender Day of Visibility

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#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt the resolution.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Councilmember Cutrano asked that this item be added to tonight's agenda for the Council's consideration.

#### **ATTACHMENT**

Resolution

**RESOLUTION 21-\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FAIRFAX  
RECOGNIZING AND DECLARING MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup> AS TRANSGENDER DAY OF VISIBILITY**

**Whereas**, Fairfax is home to many trans and nonbinary people who make important contributions to our economic, cultural and civic vitality; and

**Whereas**, transgender (“trans”) and nonbinary people face stigma, lack of understanding, and discrimination based on gender identity and expression, often on a daily basis; and

**Whereas** this stigma erects barriers in nearly every facet of life, denying trans and nonbinary people the opportunity to succeed and be accepted as their true selves; and

**Whereas**, bringing visibility to the positive impact trans and nonbinary people bring to our community, locally, nationally, and internationally will increase understanding and respect; and

**Whereas**, on March 31, 2009, in response to the lack of positive recognition of trans people by the cisgender lesbian, gay and bisexual community, trans activist Rachel Crandall started the International Transgender Day of Visibility to bring trans and nonbinary people together and celebrate their contributions to society, as well as raise awareness of discrimination faced by trans and gender non-conforming people; and

**Whereas**, the International Transgender Day of Visibility is very meaningful to the trans and nonbinary community, acknowledges the courage it takes to live openly and authentically, and validates the lived experiences of trans and nonbinary people; and

**Whereas**, transgender individuals’ contributions and achievements deserve to be visible and enjoy our respect and appreciation;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Fairfax Town Council recognizes International Transgender Day of Visibility and declares March 31<sup>st</sup> annually as Transgender Day of Visibility in the Town of Fairfax.

The foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Fairfax held in said Town on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of March 2021, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:

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BRUCE ACKERMAN, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Michele Gardner, Town Clerk