

City of San Rafael
Proclamation in Recognition of
LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, QUEER,
INTERSEX, ASEXUAL, PLUS (LGBTQIA+) PRIDE MONTH
JUNE 1 – 30, 2026

- WHEREAS,** the LGBTQIA+ community encompasses a diverse range of identities, including but not limited to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and other gender-diverse individuals, and represents a rich spectrum of lived experiences; and
- WHEREAS,** June is globally recognized as Pride Month, commemorating the Stonewall Uprising of June 1969, in New York City, which served as a catalyst for the modern LGBTQIA+ rights movement and ignited an enduring push for equity, dignity, and human rights; and
- WHEREAS,** Pride Month offers an essential opportunity to reflect on significant milestones, celebrate cultural and civic contributions by LGBTQIA+ individuals across sectors, and reaffirm our collective responsibility to advance inclusion, combat bigotry, and secure justice for all; and
- WHEREAS,** LGBTQIA+ individuals, families, and communities have historically faced and continue to face discrimination, stigma, and violence in various aspects of life, including housing, employment, healthcare, and education; and particularly transgender and nonbinary people continue to experience disproportionately high rates of violence, discrimination, and mental health challenges; and
- WHEREAS,** the City acknowledges the continuing need to stand against hate, bias, and discrimination in all forms and to promote policies and practices that advance inclusion, equity, and belonging for all residents; and
- WHEREAS,** the rainbow flag, along with the expanded Progress Pride Flag, represents Pride and a continued fight for intersectional equity and visibility for historically marginalized subgroups within the LGBTQIA+ community. The City of San Rafael will observe Pride Month 2026 by raising the Progress Pride Flag and hosting events that uplift LGBTQIA+ voices and foster belonging for all.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Rafael hereby proclaim June 1 – 30, 2026, as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersexual, Asexual, Plus (LGBTQIA+) Pride Month, to inspire equity, create alliances, celebrate diversity, and establish the City as a safe environment, and to unequivocally show this support, directs staff to fly the Progress Pride Flag at City Hall for the entirety of the month of June.




Kate Colin
Mayor