



## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

### PROCLAMATION

#### Pride Month – June 2022

WHEREAS, catalyzed in the early hours of June 28, 1969, the Stonewall Riots in the Greenwich Village neighborhood of Manhattan, New York, marked a pivotal turning point in the fight for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) rights in the United States and laid the groundwork for June to be recognized as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in Wisconsin and nationwide; and

WHEREAS, members of the LGBTQ+ community in our state, across our nation, and around the world have collectively worked to overcome gender, race, sexuality, and class adversity for generations, combating social stigma, demanding visibility and representation, and demonstrating incredible resilience; and

WHEREAS, with the legalization of same-sex marriage, the implementation of our nation's first law banning discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, and the election of LGBTQ individuals to public offices at all levels of government, including the first openly LGBTQ woman elected to the U.S. House of Representatives and the first openly LGBTQ person elected to the U.S. Senate, we have taken critical steps toward achieving LGBTQ+ equity and equality in Wisconsin over the past decade; and

WHEREAS, much more work remains to be done to ensure that our LGBTQ-identified family members, friends, and neighbors, and transgender individuals and LGBTQ people of color in particular, are treated equitably and with dignity under the law in our state and across our country; and

WHEREAS, Milton Youth Coalition (MYC) has identified members of LGBTQ+ population as a priority in their action plan; and

WHEREAS, MYC is providing an educational series to recognize and celebrate Pride Month, and the coalition looks forward to additional partnerships and events in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anissa Welch, Mayor of the City of Milton, do hereby proclaim June as Pride Month.

FURTHER, I encourage all community members to participate in the planned MYC activities for Pride Month and engage with the coalition on future endeavors.

Signed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022



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Mayor Anissa M. Welch

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Jenny Salvo, City Clerk