

# LGBTQ+ Pride Month 2022

**Whereas,** all are welcome in the City of Dunedin to live, work, play, and retire. Every family deserves a place to call home where they are safe, happy, and supported by friends and neighbors; and

**Whereas,** a number of LGBTQ+ historical events and people of all races have contributed to the history of equality for all people; and

**Whereas,** each year, the month of June honors the 1969 Stonewall riots in Manhattan and the struggle for basic civil rights for the LGBTQ+ community to remind all cultures within our wider community of the important roles LGBTQ+ people have taken in shaping the social, historical, legal, and political worlds we live in today; and

**Whereas,** Pride month affords a special opportunity become more knowledgeable about LGBTQ+ history and to honor the many LGBTQ+ American leaders who have contributed to the progress of our nation; and

**Whereas,** the City of Dunedin has a strong history of honoring inclusivity, we value the contributions the LGBTQ+ citizens bring to the City and pride ourselves on diversity; and

**Whereas,** the LGBTQ+ community has made great strides forward, but equality, inclusion, and acceptance have not yet been fully achieved. We must practice these values and teach them to future generations.

**Now, Therefore,** I, Julie Ward Bujalski, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Dunedin, and on behalf of the entire City Commission, do hereby proclaim June 2022 to be LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH in Dunedin and call upon our community to respect, honor, and celebrate our diverse community and to continue building a culture of inclusiveness and acceptance of the LGBTQ+ community.