CITY OF MILWAUKIE

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the fight for equality continues for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, asexual, and other historically marginalized members of our community (LGBTQIA+), and the responsibility falls on all of us to form a more inclusive and equitable society, and

WHEREAS June 28, 2024, marks the fifty-fifth anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising, six days of demonstrations sparked by the targeting and arrest by police of gay, lesbian, and transgender bar patrons in violation of their civil rights, an event widely recognized as the beginning of the modern gay rights movement, and

WHEREAS history has failed to properly recognize the role of the leaders of the Stonewall Uprising, including Marsha P. Johnson and Sylvia Rivera, transgender women of color who helped spark this movement, and

WHEREAS in 2000, President Bill Clinton declared June to be "Gay & Lesbian Pride Month" to commemorate the Stonewall Uprising, and in 2009, President Barack Obama expanded the commemoration by declaring June to be "Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month," and

WHEREAS despite the progress of recent years, LGBTQIA+ Americans continue to face discrimination and new attacks by state governments and other political figures on the legitimacy of their human rights including their very right to exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Lisa Batey, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, a municipal corporation in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim JUNE 2024 as LGBTQIA+ PRIDE MONTH in Milwaukie in support of our LGBTQIA+ family, friends, and neighbors and to proclaim that love is love, you are valued and welcome, and your city stands with you.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this 4th day of June 2024.

PRIDE MONTH

MILWAUKIE

Lisa M. Batey, Mayor

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Scott S. Stauffer, City Recorder