



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, City Council and staff have committed to make Fort Collins an inclusive and welcoming community for all, including the LGBTQ community; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Supreme Court ruled in June 2015 that same-sex couples can marry nationwide, establishing a new civil right in our country; and

**WHEREAS**, all members of the Fort Collins community, including those who are LGBTQ, have the right to feel safe, not be discriminated against and not live with the threat of harassment; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has established an LGBTQ liaison in both Police Services and Human Resources, as well as an LGBTQ advisory committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has adopted equal employment partner health benefits and an inclusive employee nondiscrimination policy; and

**WHEREAS**, Colorado State University and Poudre School District have adopted policies of inclusion for all, including the LGBTQ community, as well as nondiscrimination policies; and

**WHEREAS**, the LGBTQ community has made great strides; however, equality, inclusion and acceptance are not yet fully achieved.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Wade Troxell Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby declare the month of June 2017 as

## LGBTQ PRIDE MONTH

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 6th day of June, A.D. 2017.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk