

AGENDA REPORT

Mayor's Office

DATE:	June 7, 2022
TO:	Members of the City Council
FROM:	Tom Butt, Mayor
Subject:	Diversity Celebration Month – June 2022
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	N/A
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	N/A
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	The City of Richmond celebrates and supports the great diversity of its residents, an essential cornerstone of a dynamic and prosperous society that sustains local economies, creates unique and prosperous communities, promotes social inclusion, and encourages cultural exchange by bringing people together from different backgrounds.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	PROCLAMATION declaring June 2022 as Diversity Celebration Month in the City of Richmond – Mayor's Office (Mayor Tom Butt 510-620-6503).

DISCUSSION:

Juneteenth commemorates the abolition of slavery in Texas on June 19, 1865, signifying the emancipation of the last remaining enslaved African Americans in the Confederacy more than two years after the Emancipation Proclamation was issued. The City of Richmond celebrates Juneteenth with the Neighborhood Block Association and

the community with family ties from the South, honoring their contributions in our community and passing on their legacy and traditions to future generations.

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month commemorates the Stonewall riots by members of the LGBT community against a police raid at the Stonewall Inn in the Manhattan borough of New York City on June 28, 1969, widely considered to be the most important event leading to the gay liberation movement in the country. The City of Richmond celebrates LGBT Pride Month with Richmond Rainbow Pride and the LGBTIQQ community, honoring their contributions in our community and passing on their legacy and traditions to future generations.

Immigrant Heritage Month commemorates the monumental contributions that immigrants have made, giving people across the country an opportunity to explore their own heritage and celebrate the shared diversity that forms our unique story. The City of Richmond celebrates Immigrant Heritage Month with The Latina Center and the immigrant community, honoring their contributions in our community and passing on their legacy and traditions to future generations.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Attachment 1 – Proclamation