



AGENDA REPORT

Mayor's Office

DATE:	May 27, 2025
TO:	Members of the City Council
FROM:	Mayor Eduardo Martinez and Vice Mayor Cesar Zepeda
Subject:	Proclamation recognizing June 2025 as LGBTQI+ Pride Month in the City of Richmond
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	None
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	May 28, 2024
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	Proclamation to recognize and celebrate the contributions, resilience, and rights of LGBTQI+ individuals by proclaiming June 2025 as LGBTQI+ Pride Month in the City of Richmond and raising the Pride Flag for the month of June.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	PROCLAMATION recognizing June 2025 as LGBTQI+ Pride Month in the City of Richmond and Commemorating the Raising of the Pride Flag Throughout the Month - Mayor Eduardo Martinez (510-620-6503) and Vice Mayor Zepeda (510-620-6861).

DISCUSSION:

June is recognized nationwide as LGBTQI+ Pride Month, a time to honor the history, achievements, and ongoing struggles of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and other gender and sexual minority groups. The City of Richmond proudly joins this recognition by proclaiming June as LGBTQI+ Pride Month, reaffirming its commitment to fostering an inclusive, equitable, and welcoming environment for all residents.

This year marks the 11th anniversary of Richmond Rainbow Pride, a local organization dedicated to promoting LGBTQI+ visibility, advocacy, and celebration within our community. Their work reflects the resilience, leadership, and strength of Richmond's LGBTQI+ residents and allies.

While we celebrate the cultural, social, and economic contributions of LGBTQI+ individuals, we also recognize that members of this community continue to face discrimination and inequities. This proclamation serves as both a celebration and a call to action, reinforcing the City's dedication to protecting the rights and dignity of LGBTQI+ individuals and standing firmly against hate, bias, and exclusion.

The city encourages all residents, businesses, and community organizations to uplift LGBTQI+ voices, promote awareness, and participate in efforts that advance equality and respect for all people, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Attachment 1 – Proclamation Recognizing June 2025 as LGBTQI+ Pride Month