

# CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

## PROCLAMATION

**RECOGNIZING MARCH 31, 2025, AS INTERNATIONAL TRANSGENDER DAY OF VISIBILITY IN THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE**

This proclamation declares March 31, 2025, to be Transgender Day of Visibility (TDOV) in the City of Hyattsville. This is a day to recognize and center the voices and contributions of the diverse community of transgender, two spirit, non-binary, and intersex people in our city.

**WHEREAS**, 1.6 million people in the U.S., ages 13 and older, are transgender; and

**WHEREAS**, transgender people are persons whose gender identity or expression differs from the norms associated with their biological sex, including trans men and women, persons who are two-spirit, non-binary, genderqueer, gender non-conforming, and bigender; and

**WHEREAS**, Transgender Day of Visibility is an annual observance intended to recognize and celebrate the lives of transgender and gender expansive people, and to bring awareness to their existence and contributions to society; and

**WHEREAS** In 2009, Rachell Crandall-Crocker, a psychotherapist and trans activist, founded the day in response to overwhelmingly sad media coverage that focused primarily on violence against members of the transgender community; unlike Transgender Day of Remembrance, (the November observance which honors victims of hate crimes), TDOV is intended to be celebratory; and

**WHEREAS** transgender, two spirit, non-binary and intersex individuals have worked to overcome gender, race, sexuality and class adversity for generations, there is still more work to be done to ensure we, our family members, friends and neighbors within this community are treated with dignity; and

**WHEREAS**, every citizen deserves to live without fear of persecution, judgement or discrimination, we are reminded that access to resources and a supportive community can be lifesaving for transgender, two spirit, non-binary and intersex people, especially youth.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and City Council declare March 31, 2025, as Transgender Day of Visibility in the City of Hyattsville, and with this proclamation affirm our commitment to advocating for transgender and gender expansive rights.

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**Robert Croslin**

*Mayor, City of Hyattsville*

March 17th, 2025

