CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

PROCLAMATION

CELEBRATING JUNE 2023 AS LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, QUEER, INTERSEX AND ASEXUAL (+) PRIDE MONTH IN THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

To celebrate the wide array of contributions that lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) residents make to our community every day, this proclamation recognizes LGBTQIA+ residents as integral to the City of Hyattsville. This proclamation also reaffirms the City's commitment to remaining a safe and welcoming place where LGBTQIA+ residents and their loved ones can thrive.

WHEREAS, the City of Hyattsville has been home to more than twice the national average of same-sex households for many years and is fortunate to be a community of choice for many LGBTQIA+ residents across the spectrum of gender and sexual expressions; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQIA+ residents continue to participate in and enrich City programs and community events, contributing to the unique character of our community; and

WHEREAS, June is National LGBTQ+ Pride Month commemorating the 1969 riot at the Stonewall Inn in New York City that is widely considered to the be beginning of the gay liberation movement in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that while LGBTQ+ rights have been advanced since that time, a great amount of work remains to be done so that all are included and protected in their communities by local, state, and federal law; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to continue raising awareness of LGBTQIA+ issues, fostering understanding, and working towards the realization of a society where all individuals are valued, celebrated, and free to live authentically.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Hyattsville recognizes Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, and Asexual + Pride Month during June of 2023 and invites its residents to celebrate by registering for and participating in the 'Embracing Pride' panel discussion and reception on Friday, June 9, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Hyattsville Municipal Building, 4310 Gallatin Street.

