



PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, we honor and celebrate the achievements of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual, and two-spirit (LGBTQ+) individuals and communities; and

WHEREAS, the month of June was designated as National Pride Month to commemorate the Stonewall Uprising, which began in June 1969; and

WHEREAS, the achievements and contributions of members of the LGBTQ+ community have greatly shaped our history, society, economy, and culture at a local and national level; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that the work in advancing LGBTQ+ civil rights nationwide is ongoing, as many LGBTQ+ people, especially transgender people, continue to face discrimination, bans on vital healthcare, and prohibition of acknowledging queer identities; and

WHEREAS, all Fircrest residents should be able to live as their authentic selves without fear of prejudice, discrimination, violence, or hatred based on their sexual orientation or gender identity.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS, of the City of Fircrest, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2023 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in the City of Fircrest, Washington and we encourage all citizens to join in this special observance by attending regional events in the months of June and July, and honoring our LGBTQ+ friends and neighbors by continuing to fight prejudice and discrimination wherever it exists.

Passed this 13th day of June 2023

Joe Barrentine, Mayor Pro Tempore