

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE,  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

*PROCLAMATION*

DESIGNATING JUNE 2025 AS  
LGBTQIA2S+ PRIDE MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY

**WHEREAS**, the United States was founded on the principle that “all men are created equal”, and the fulfillment of this promise has expanded over the years to cover all people. Some of the most inspiring moments in our history have arisen from civil rights movements bringing one group after another under the umbrella of our most revered and foundational principle of American society; and

**WHEREAS**, in the movement toward equal rights for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual (LGBTQIA2S+) and people of all other gender identities and sexual orientations, a historic turning point occurred on June 28, 1969, in New York City, with the onset of the Stonewall Riots. During these riots, LGBTQIA2S+ citizens rose up and resisted police harassment that arose out of discriminatory criminal laws that have since been declared unconstitutional. In the four decades since, civil rights for LGBTQIA2S+ people have grown substantially, and pride celebrations have taken place around the country every June to commemorate the beginning of the Stonewall Riots; and

**WHEREAS**, California has been a leader in advancing the civil rights of its LGBTQIA2S+ citizens and while further progress is needed, it is important to recognize and celebrate the substantial gains that have been achieved; and

**WHEREAS**, several of Lake County’s local elected leaders have not only represented their constituents but also the LGBTQIA2S+ community within Lake County. The Board of Supervisors also recognizes the many staff members from line-staff to Department Heads who are a part of the LGBTQIA2S+ community and serve Lake County with distinction; and

**WHEREAS**, while LGBTQIA2S+ Americans remain marginalized and under attack through legislation in states across our country, the Lake County Board of Supervisors stands firm against intolerance, discrimination, and injustice, and is deeply committed to fostering communities where all people can live free and authentic lives; and

**WHEREAS**, lesbian, gay, and bisexual communities within the Rural Association of Northern California Health Officers region (the eleven rural Northern California counties) face numerous disparities: elevated levels of poor health, increased smoking and heavy alcohol consumption, suicidal thoughts, higher poverty rates, significantly elevated Adverse Childhood Experiences rates, domestic violence, deferred medical care, and adverse weather-related health impacts. Alarmingly, half of this community has seriously contemplated suicide; and

**WHEREAS**, LGBTQIA2S+ residents in Lake County represent our families, our friends, our neighbors, our teachers, our employees, and our community leaders. Across all religions, races, and communities there are LGBTQIA2S+ people helping our nation to become a more perfect union in reaching our ideals proclaimed in the Declaration of Independence that all “people” are created equal and therefore deserve to be embraced and treated as equals.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake does hereby designate June 2025 as LGBTQIA2S+ Pride Month in Lake County and calls upon its residents to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists and celebrate the rich diversity of our communities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2025.

ATTEST: SUSAN PARKER  
Clerk to the Board

By: \_\_\_\_\_



COUNTY OF LAKE

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Chair, Board of Supervisors