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## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Lafayette has a diverse Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning+ (LGBTQ+) community and is committed to supporting visibility, dignity and equity for all people in the community; and

WHEREAS, many of the residents, students, city employees and business owners within the City of Lafayette who contribute to the enrichment of our city are part of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning community; and

WHEREAS, various advancements have been made with respect to equitable treatment of lesbians, gay men, bisexual, transgender and questioning persons throughout the nation, but there continues to be some opposition against people from this community and around the world making it important for cities like Lafayette to stand up and show support for our residents who are affected; and

**WHEREAS**, several cities across the United States recognize and celebrate June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month; and

**WHEREAS**, June has become a symbolic month in which lesbian women, gay men, bisexual people, transgender and questioning people and supporters come together in various celebrations of pride; and

WHEREAS, the rainbow flag, also known as the LGBTQ+ pride flag or gay pride flag, has been used since the 1970's as a symbol of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning+ pride and LGBTQ+ social movements. Flying the rainbow flag throughout the month of June further symbolizes the celebration of diversity and support for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning+ community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Mike Anderson, Mayor, on behalf of the Lafayette City Council does hereby declare the month of June as LGBTQ+ Pride month and invites everyone to reflect on ways we all can live and work together with a commitment to mutual respect and understanding.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the City Seal this 28th of May 2010

day of May, 2019.

Mike Anderson, Mayor