



Town of Belmont
Massachusetts
Select Board

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS: The Town of Belmont affirms our obligation to uphold the dignity of all people to help lay the foundation for a more just and equitable community; and
- WHEREAS: In recognition of the resilience and determination of many individuals who are striving to live authentically and free from discrimination, the month of June has been recognized nationally as **Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month**; and
- WHEREAS: Support of LGBTQ+ equality has increased throughout society at large it is essential to acknowledge that education and awareness remain vital to combat discrimination and prejudice; and
- WHEREAS: The celebration of LGBTQ+ Pride Month influences awareness and provides advocacy and support for The Town of Belmont's LGBTQ+ community.
- WHEREAS: The celebration of LGBTQ+ Pride Month provides an opportunity to increase visibility, engage in dialogue to strengthen alliances, build acceptance, end discrimination and contribute to the advancement of equal rights; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Select Board of the Town of Belmont in partnership with the Belmont Human Rights Commission and the Belmont LGBTQ+ Alliance, hereby proclaim the month of June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month.

SELECT BOARD

Mark A. Paolillo, Chair

Roy Epstein, Vice-Chair

Elizabeth Dionne, Member

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