

**The principle of universality of human rights, as enshrined in the United Nations Declaration, proclaims that "all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights" and** 

**Whereas:** The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) communities of the City of Racine are an integral part of the vibrant culture and climate of our city; and

**Whereas:** The diverse LGBTQ community continues to contribute to widespread academic, economic, artistic, and social spheres within and around our community; and

**Whereas:** The month of June was designated Pride Month to commemorate the Stonewall Riots which occurred in June of 1969 and are generally recognized as the catalyst of the LGBTQ rights movement; and

**Whereas:** The City of Racine remains committed to protecting the civil rights of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender communities as the power and purpose of this iconic event proves vital in our unified effort to forge a more open and just society; and

**Whereas:** The City of Racine's active and involved Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer communities make an indelible impact upon the quality of life in the city, and Pride Month serves as a call to our collective consciousness to persist in the fight to eradicate prejudice and discrimination everywhere,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cory Mason, Mayor of the City of Racine, do hereby proclaim June of 2020

## Pride Month in the City of Racine.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF*, I have here unto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Racine to be affixed.

Accomplished at the City Hall this 2nd day of June 2020.