

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF HORRY CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH

JUNE 2023 IS PRIDE MONTH IN MYRTLE BEACH

WHEREAS, The City of Myrtle Beach is resolved to ensuring the rights of every citizen and visitor to live free from discrimination in a more inclusive and just society; and

WHEREAS, Myrtle Beach welcomes and embraces our diverse heritage and our many individual backgrounds as a critical component of a successful, vibrant community; and

WHEREAS, Members of the LGBTQ+ community contribute to Myrtle Beach's civic, academic, artistic and economic growth and development, creating that diverse and inviting city which we seek for our residents, businesses and visitors; and

WHEREAS, The month of June historically has been designated as Pride Month, a time to embrace, celebrate, and honor everyone's diversity and to share their true and honest selves with the world; and

WHEREAS, Pride Month also is a platform for raising awareness of the discrimination and marginalization that the LGBTQ+ community has faced and continues to face, and for supporting their rights and achievements; and

WHEREAS, The City of Myrtle Beach recognizes the importance of supporting the LGBTQ+ community and is dedicated to ensuring that everyone is empowered to live freely and achieve their greatest potential;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Myrtle Beach City Council hereby designates June 2023 as Pride Month and encourages citizens to recognize, celebrate and accept the ongoing efforts and contributions of the LGBTQ+ community by building a culture of inclusiveness and acceptance.

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Signed and sealed this 23rd day of May 2023.

BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOF

JENNIFER ADKINS, CITY CLERK