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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 99

ACKNOWLEDGING JUNE 2022 AS LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH IN DELAWARE.

1	WHEREAS, June 2022 marks the 53rd anniversary of the Stonewall riots, when members of the LGBTQ+
2	community courageously stood up against the discrimination and violence perpetrated upon them based on their sexual
3	orientations and gender identities; and
4	WHEREAS, many of those community members were people of color and non-gender-conforming individuals;
5	and
6	WHEREAS, the riots sparked the modern American LGBTQ+ civil rights movement and have inspired equality
7	movements around the world; and
8	WHEREAS, although LGBTQ+ individuals still face discrimination and bigotry, our community has made
9	immense strides since that fateful day in June 28, 1969; and
10	WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ Delawareans are part of the rich, diverse tapestry of our great state; and
11	WHEREAS, through individual activism, various organizations, and important legislation, we have made great
12	strides in protecting equal rights for LGBTQ+ Delawareans; and
13	WHEREAS, in 2021, the Human Rights Campaign reported the highest annual number of hate crimes against
14	LGBTQ+ individuals since the organization began tracking hate crimes;
15	WHEREAS, a large number of those hate crimes were directed against transgender individuals of color; and
16	WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ youth have much higher rates of homelessness, mental health and substance abuse issues,
17	self-harm, and suicide than their heterosexual and cisgender counterparts; and
18	WHEREAS, the LGBTQ+ community acknowledges and thanks its invaluable allies; and
19	WHEREAS, every June, communities across America and around the world come together to celebrate LGBTQ+
20	lives and reflect on work still to be done; and
21	WHEREAS, we recommit to guaranteeing equality and fairness for all LGBTQ+ Delawareans.
22	NOW, THEREFORE:

- BE IT RESOLVED by the House of the 151st General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the Senate concurring
- therein, that the State of Delaware acknowledges the month of June 2022 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month.

SYNOPSIS

This Concurrent Resolution acknowledges June 2022 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in the State of Delaware.