

Office of the Mayor
City of Fort Lauderdale

Proclamation

In Recognition of June 2021 as LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH

- WHEREAS,** June marks the annual celebration of the progress that the LGBTQ+ community has made with equal rights and fairness in the United States and serves as a time to recommit ourselves to accomplishing the work of fighting discrimination and championing equality; and
- WHEREAS,** during this month of June, the City of Fort Lauderdale will join with thousands of municipalities nationwide to honor the 52nd anniversary of the 1969 Stonewall Inn riots in New York City that ignited the modern LGBTQ+ rights movement in America; and
- WHEREAS,** this year also recognizes the 44th anniversary of the first pride commemoration in South Florida, which occurred in 1977 to celebrate the lost fight to repeal a Miami-Dade County ordinance protecting members of the LGBTQ+ community from discrimination; and
- WHEREAS,** Greater Fort Lauderdale is privileged to be home to three of the world's historic LGBTQ+ institutions: The World AIDS Museum, the only museum in existence dedicated to telling the story of the disease; the Stonewall National Museum and Archives, the largest LGBTQ+ circulating library in the United States; and the Sunshine Cathedral, one of America's largest Metropolitan Community Church congregations; and
- WHEREAS,** the community of Fort Lauderdale is proud to annually welcome more than 1.3 million LGBTQ+ guests from around the globe, making Fort Lauderdale a premiere international LGBTQ+ destination, while providing worldwide exposure to hundreds of LGBTQ+ businesses and tourism in South Florida; and
- WHEREAS,** The City of Fort Lauderdale proudly reaffirms its commitment to protecting and respecting the rights of every resident, business owner, student, and visitor who are a part of the LGBTQ+ community by flying the rainbow flag above City Hall during this month of June, for the fourth year in a row.

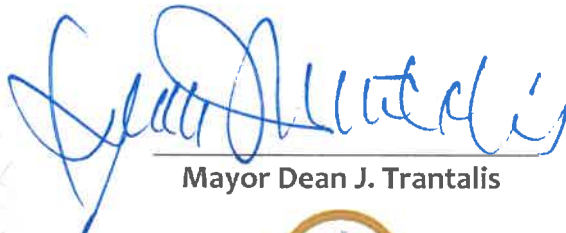
NOW, THEREFORE, WE, as City Commissioners of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, do hereby proclaim the month of **June 2021** as:

LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH

in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

DATED this, 1st day of June 2021.




Mayor Dean J. Trantalis



"Fort Lauderdale: The City You Never Want To Leave"