

Proclamation Designating June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month

WHEREAS, the Village of River Forest supports the rights of every citizen to experience equality and freedom from discrimination; and

WHEREAS, all people regardless of age, gender identity, race, color, religion, marital status, national origin, sexual orientation, or physical challenges have the right to be treated on the basis of their intrinsic value as human beings; and

WHEREAS, the Village of River Forest accepts and welcomes people of diverse backgrounds and believes a diverse population leads to a more vibrant community; and

WHEREAS, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) communities contribute to the cultural, civic and economic successes of the Village of River Forest; and

WHEREAS, while we as a society at large are slowly embracing new definitions of sexuality and gender we must also acknowledge that the need for education and awareness remains vital to end discrimination and prejudice.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CATHERINE ADDUCI, VILLAGE PRESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST, do hereby proclaim June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer + Pride Month in the Village of River Forest, Illinois and encourage our residents to reflect on the ongoing struggle for equality members of the LGBTQ+ face and celebrate the contributions that enhance our Village.

IN WITNESS, THEREOF, I have hereto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the seal of the Village of River Forest, this 8th day of June 2020.

Catherine Adduci Village President