

OFFICE OF



THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

LGBTQIA+ PRIDE MONTH JUNE 2024

- WHEREAS,** the City of St. Charles, Illinois, enjoys the title, “Pride of the Fox,” in part because it celebrates the diversity of the people who live, work, and visit St. Charles; and
- WHEREAS,** all visitors and members of our community should feel safe, welcome, valued, respected, included, and supported by fellow citizens, educators, and community leaders; and
- WHEREAS,** LGBTQIA+ residents and their allies have made a visible positive contribution to the quality of life in St. Charles; and
- WHEREAS,** throughout history LGBTQIA+ people have faced and continue to face prejudice and discrimination; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of St. Charles stands behind our country’s founding principles of equal rights, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for all people; and
- WHEREAS,** in recognition of the demonstrations known as the Stonewall Uprising in June 1969, the month of June is traditionally recognized as Pride Month in the United States and in the State of Illinois;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lora Vitek, Mayor of the City of St. Charles, in partnership and support with the Equity and Inclusion Commission of the City of St. Charles do hereby proclaim the month of June 2024, as **PRIDE MONTH** in the City of St. Charles and call upon the residents of our community to celebrate the great diversity of St. Charles, work together to break down the walls of discrimination, intolerance, and lack of understanding; and promote full equal rights for all Americans, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of St. Charles will raise a rainbow flag for the month of June 2024, as a sign of the City of St. Charles’ support for the principles of LGBTQIA+ Pride.



Lora A. Vitek