

# City of La Grande

## Proclamation

### Declaring June 2021, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer, (LGBTQ) Pride Month

**WHEREAS**, the City of La Grande is a welcoming community and an exceptional place to live, learn, work, play, and raise a family; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of La Grande recognizes the importance of equality and freedom; and that the nation was founded upon and is guided by a set of principles that every person is created equal, has rights to their life, liberty and pursuit of happiness; and

**WHEREAS**, the fight for equality continues for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer(LGBTQ) and other historically marginalized members of our community, and the responsibility falls on each of us to form a more equitable and inclusive society; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of La Grande is dedicated to fostering acceptance of all its citizens and preventing discrimination and bullying based on sexual orientation and gender identity, and is strengthened by and thrives upon the rich diversity of ethnic, cultural, racial, gender and sexual identities of its residents; all of which contribute to the vibrant character of our City; and

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that all residents of La Grande, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity, ethnicity, culture or race, feel valued, safe, empowered, and supported; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 2, 2000, President Bill Clinton declared June to be "Gay & Lesbian Pride Month" to commemorate the June 28, 1969, Stonewall Uprising, and on June 1, 2009 President Barack Obama expanded the commemoration by declaring June to be "Lesbian n, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month:"

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Stephen E. Clements, Mayor of the City of La Grande, Oregon, hereby proclaim and recognize June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month in the City of La Grande, Oregon.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have hereunto set our hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of La Grande, Union County, Oregon this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021.



Stephen E. Clements  
Mayor

ATTEST:



Sandra Patterson  
City Recorder

