RESOLUTION NO. 180412

Declaring June 2018 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month in Kansas City, Missouri.

WHEREAS, on June 28, 1969, the LGBT community took a stand for human rights and dignity at the Stonewall Inn in New York City, marking the first major demonstration for LGBT equal rights; and

WHEREAS, each June cities and towns throughout the United States, including Kansas City, celebrate LGBT Pride Month to celebrate the courage it takes for LGBT people to come out as their true selves, build community and promote dignity and equal rights for all; and

WHEREAS, while sweeping progress has been made, LGBT people still face discrimination simply for being who they are; and

WHEREAS, dozens of organizations and countless individuals across Kansas City are dedicated to improving the lives of the LGBT community; and

WHEREAS, LGBT Pride Month offers an opportunity for our community to learn about the discrimination and inequality that has faced, and continues to face, LGBT people, while celebrating the work of the individuals and organizations who have worked to create equality for all; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

That the Mayor and Council hereby declare the month of June Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the Council in testimony thereof and that a copy hereof be presented to representatives of the LGBT community, with the Mayor and Council calling on all citizens of Kansas City to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists, recognizing that all people in Kansas City should be treated fairly and equally regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity, and to celebrate the great diversity of our community during LGBT Pride Month.

Authenticated as Passed

Sty James, Mayor

Marilyn Sanders, City Clerk

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Date Passed