



SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

RESOLUTION NO. 24-032

**CELEBRATING OUR COMMUNITY IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY BY DECLARING
THE MONTH OF JUNE 2024 AS PRIDE MONTH AND AFFIRMING
THAT LGBTQIA+ RIGHTS ARE HUMAN RIGHTS**

WHEREAS, Snohomish County strives to be an inclusive community committed to celebrating diversity and welcoming to all people; and

WHEREAS, everyone has the right to live, work, and enjoy an environment that is free from harassment and discrimination; and

WHEREAS, lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, asexual, gender non-confirming, pan sexual and 2 spirit (LGBTQIA+) Pride Month is celebrated every June to commemorate the anniversary of the Stonewall Riot in New York City on June 28, 1969, marking the beginning of the LGBTQIA+ rights movement; and

WHEREAS, regardless of national progress, the LGBTQIA+ community continues to face discrimination, harassment, hate crimes, hate speech, violence, disparities in healthcare, housing and employment, and the denial of basic human rights; and


WHEREAS, the LGBTQIA+ community continues to be vulnerable to violence, homelessness, and death. LGBTQIA+ youth face even greater risks of suicide than their peers; and

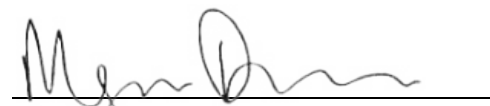
WHEREAS, when public spaces, including schools and colleges, incorporate LGBTQIA+ histories and perspectives, they send a powerful message of inclusion and respect that fosters a sense of belonging for LGBTQIA+ individuals, leading to positive mental health outcomes, while making these spaces safer for everyone; and


WHEREAS, Snohomish County recognizes the contributions that the LGBTQIA+ community has made to the county and supports the LGBTQIA+ community and its allies for their efforts to make Snohomish County a more equitable, inclusive, and diverse place to live, work, and enjoy;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Snohomish County Council hereby affirms the community recognition of June 2024 as Pride Month in Snohomish County and affirm that the LGBTQIA+ community deserves the same love, dignity, safety, and respect as all human beings. Please join Snohomish County Council in acknowledging LGBTQIA+ rights, support community members who identify as LGBTQIA+, and recognize the contributions they have made to our county.

APPROVED this 29th day of May 2024.


Jared Mead
Council Chair


Megan Dunn
Councilmember


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Councilmember

ATTEST: 
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