

PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONMOUTH, ILLINOIS

Recognizing June as LGBTQ+ Pride month in the City of Monmouth

WHEREAS, the City of Monmouth is committed to supporting visibility, dignity and equity for all members of our community; and

WHEREAS, residents within the community contribute to the enrichment of our beloved City are either members of the LGBTQ+ plus community, or allies and supporters of it; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that, although advancements have been made in recent years with respect to the rectification of past inequitable treatment of members of the LGBTQ+ community, members of that community continue to experience inequitable treatment, making it important for cities like ours to stand up and show our support, both within our community and elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, the month of June has become a month in which the members of the LGBTQ+ community have come together to express pride in who they are, to make themselves visible to the wider communities in which they live, to protest inequitable treatment, and to seek tolerance, respect and understanding from such wider communities; and

WHEREAS, many cities across the United States and internationally have recognized and celebrated June as LGBTQ+ Pride month for many years;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Monmouth does hereby:

--Declare the month of June as LGBTQ+ Pride month in the City of Monmouth;

--Invite all members of our community to reflect on the ways in which we can all live together with a commitment to inclusion, mutual respect and understanding.

Dated this 6th of June, 2022

Signature: _____