

Mayor Jennifer Wilson

WHEREAS, members of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) communities have fought tirelessly for generations for recognition of their individuality, love, diversity, and humanity; and

WHEREAS, nationwide, June is celebrated as LGBTQ Pride Month to commemorate the riots that took place at the Stonewall Inn in New York City 50 years ago, which is often seen as the beginning of the modern LGBTQ rights movement; and

WHEREAS, the Utah Pride Center continues to champion all within the LGBTQ community by creating safe spaces and opportunities for better understanding; embracing the intersectionality within our communities; and working to lessen the extra challenges faced by many in the LGBTQ community; and

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ community in Utah has made significant strides in gaining recognition through hate crime protection, housing and employment protection, and marriage equality; and

WHEREAS, despite this progress, members of the LGBTQ community still face discrimination and marginalization simply for being who they are; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County strives to be a welcoming place which embraces and celebrates our diversity. We stand with our LGBTQ community to defend human rights and ensure equal treatment for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jennifer Wilson, Mayor of Salt Lake County, do hereby join with members of the LGBTQ community to declare June 2019 as

LGBTQ Pride Month

and urge residents and leaders in Salt Lake County to continue to recognize and support the work of the LGBTQ community as it continues to advocate for the human rights we all deserve.

Jennifer Wilson
Mayor