

Town of Elon, North Carolina

PROCLAMATION

LGBTQIA PRIDE MONTH 2022

WHEREAS, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Asexual (LGBTQIA) Pride Month is celebrated nationwide each year in the month of June; and

WHEREAS, this month was chosen to commemorate the events that took place at the Stonewall Inn in Manhattan, New York, on June 28, 1969, and is often viewed as the beginning of the modern LGBTQIA rights movement; and

WHEREAS, it is important during this month to take the time to reflect on the LGBTQIA rights movement; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQIA people in the United States, the State of North Carolina, and the Town of Elon have made, and continue to make, vital contributions to the world in every aspect; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQIA Americans have achieved significant milestones, including employment protections and protection from discrimination based on sex, ensuring that future generations of people in the United States will enjoy a more equal and just society; and

WHEREAS, businesses owned in whole or in part by LGBTQIA individuals touch all parts of the State and local economy, providing vital goods and services to Elon residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, despite this extraordinary progress, LGBTQIA Americans still face discrimination simply for being who they are; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina, and the Town of Elon stand with the LGBTQIA community in the struggle to ensure equal treatment for all, and to advocate for LGBTQIA rights as human rights; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Elon will continue to advocate for protections for all LGBTQIA individuals to make our Town a place where all people, regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression, are treated with dignity and respect.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EMILY SHARPE, MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF ELON, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM June 2022 as LGBTQIA Pride Month.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Elon, North Carolina to be affixed this the 14th day of June 2022.


Emily Sharpe, Mayor

