

# *City of Albany*

## *Proclamation*

**IN RECOGNITION OF JUNE 28 – JUNE 30, 2019 as ALBANY PRIDE DAYS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Albany and its residents strive to foster a diverse and inclusive community; and

**WHEREAS**, the residents of the City of Albany recognize that we enhance our potential as a city when we honor, celebrate, and include all members of our community; and

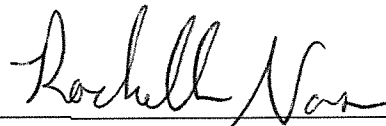
**WHEREAS**, by virtue of the presence of LBGBTQ+ people in all nations, races, cultures, and creeds and across human history, we know the land on which we live, and on which Albany has been built, has been home to LBGBTQ+ people as long as it has been occupied by human beings; and

**WHEREAS**, over the past half century, Albany has a history of LBGBTQ+ community activity and individual activism, as exemplified by the famous Bacchanal Bar “for and by women” which served as a social and cultural hub for Lesbian women for many years, and by the role of Albany’s Perry-Stier family as lead plaintiffs in the federal legal challenge to California’s Proposition 8 decision; and

**WHEREAS**, June 28, 2019 marks the fiftieth anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion in Greenwich Village, New York City, which is widely considered the galvanizing moment that energized the nascent LBGBTQ+ Pride Civil Rights Movement nationwide.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that Albany will celebrate Albany Pride Days from the Stonewall Rebellion 50th anniversary on June 28, 2019, through the final Sunday of Pride Month on June 30, 2019.

Dated: June 17, 2019

  
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Rochelle Nason, Mayor