

**CITY OF WEST ST. PAUL
DAKOTA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

RESOLUTION NO. 20-

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE FLYING OF A RAINBOW FLAG
IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST**

WHEREAS, from time to time, the City Council may, by vote of the Council, designate recognition of an individual or group; and

WHEREAS, with adoption of official recognition days, weeks, or months, from time to time the City Council may provide further recognition such as participation in community events or parades honoring such individual or group; and

WHEREAS, specific recognition beyond a proclamation, resolution or certificate would only be at the direction of Council at a regular or special meeting of Council; and

WHEREAS, during 2020 the City Council has by proclamation provided the following recognitions:

- January 13, 2020 Recognition of WSP Youth Athletic Association
- February 10, 2020 Proclamation of February 2020 as African American History Month
- February 24, 2020 Proclamation of February 20, 2020 as Rose Slomba Day
- March 9, 2020 Recognition of Police Chaplains
- May 26, 2020 Proclamation recognizing Taylor Gonzalez as recipient of the Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship
- May 26, 2020 Proclamation honoring June 2020 as LGBTQIA Pride Month; and

WHEREAS, the 2019-2020 Strategic Initiatives include “Identify Opportunities to Bolster Diversity and Inclusion Outreach” and, as such, communicating this initiative is in the matter of public interest; and

WHEREAS, the LGBTQIA Pride Month was so designated, in part, in remembrance of the June 28, 1969 Stonewall Riots.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of West St. Paul that it is the intent to commemorate June 2020 in recognition of its Diversity and Inclusion Initiative, and its proclamation of LGBTQIA Pride Month as June 2020 and, therefore, directs the flying of the commonly recognized Rainbow Flag in recognition of this designation for a period of approximately ten days to include the date of June 28.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of West St. Paul, Minnesota, this 22nd day of June 2020.

Attest:

David J. Napier, Mayor

Shirley R Buecksler, City Clerk