

RESOLUTION NO. RES-23-0111

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LONG BEACH PROCLAIMING THE 40TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF LONG BEACH PRIDE

WHEREAS, Long Beach Pride was established in 1983 by community leaders Judi Doyle, Marilyn Barlow, and Robert Crow to celebrate and honor the resilience, self-affirmation, and achievements of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (“LGBTQ+”) community; and

WHEREAS, Pride celebrations have become a symbol of love, equality, and acceptance, and have served as a beacon of hope, fostering unity and understanding among people from all walks of life and further transcending the barriers of gender, sexuality, race, and ethnicity; and

WHEREAS, cities all around the United States, including New York, Los Angeles, and Chicago, have been celebrating Pride since the first marches held on June 28, 1970, the one-year anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising, and as of 2022, there were at least 330 Pride festivals nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Long Beach Pride allows the City of Long Beach (“City”) to join the nation in this historic event by reflecting upon the progress made in advancing LGBTQ+ rights while acknowledging the ongoing work needed to ensure equality and justice for all individuals regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity; and

WHEREAS, this proclamation aligns with the City’s vision of fostering equity among all residents with the goal of making Long Beach a place where all individuals, irrespective of their background, neighborhood, or identity, can flourish and realize their full potential for a prosperous life;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as follows:

1                   Section 1.     The City Council hereby proclaims the official 40th Anniversary  
2 of Long Beach Pride to celebrate and honor the resilience, self-affirmation, and  
3 achievements of the LGBTQ+ community, and to continue to foster hope, unity, and  
4 understanding among people from all walks of life by transcending the barriers of gender,  
5 sexuality, race, and ethnicity, in efforts to create a prosperous and flourishing life for all of  
6 the City’s residents and visitors, thus regarding this as a time of celebration in the City of  
7 Long Beach.

8                   Section 2.     The City Council further calls upon all residents, businesses,  
9 and community organizations to join in the celebration of the 40th Anniversary of Long  
10 Beach Pride, honoring the remarkable progress made over the past four decades and  
11 recommitting ourselves to the work that lies ahead in achieving full equality, acceptance,  
12 and respect for the LGBTQ+ community.

13                   Section 3.     This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption  
14 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council  
of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of August 8, 2023, by the  
following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Zendejas, Allen, Duggan, Supernaw,  
Kerr, Saro, Uranga, Austin,  
Ricks-Oddie.

Noes: Councilmembers: None.

Absent: Councilmembers: None.

Recusal(s): Councilmembers: None.

  
for Monique De La Garza  
City Clerk

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