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August 8, 2023

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution of the City Council of the City of Long Beach proclaiming the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Long Beach Pride. (Citywide)

## **DISCUSSION**

Pursuant to the City Council's request on July 18, 2023, this office has prepared and submits the attached resolution proclaiming the 40th Anniversary of Long Beach Pride for the Council's consideration and approval.

### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Very truly yours,

DAWN MCINTOSH, City Attorney

Monica J. Kilaita Deputy City Attorney

ATTACHMENT: CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

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#### RESOLUTION NO.

# 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:

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

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

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

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I here	by certify that the foregoin	g resolution was adopted by the City Council
of the City of Long	, 2023, by the	
following vote:		
Ayes:	Councilmembers:	
Noes:	Councilmembers:	
Absent:	Councilmembers:	
Recusal(s):	Councilmembers:	
		City Clerk