



By The Honorable **Laura R. Hoydick**, Mayor: a

# PROCLAMATION

In observance of

## PRIDE MONTH

- WHEREAS,** the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) communities in Stratford are an integral part of the vibrant culture and climate of Stratford; and
- WHEREAS,** the diverse LGBTQ community continues to contribute to the widespread academic, economic, artistic and social spheres within our community; and
- WHEREAS,** the month of June has been designated Pride Month to commemorate the Stonewall Riots which occurred in June of 1969 and are generally recognized as the catalyst of the LGBTQ rights movement; and
- WHEREAS,** the Town of Stratford remains committed to protecting the civil rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender communities as part of our unified effort to forge a more open and just society; and
- WHEREAS,** the Town of Stratford's active and involved Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer communities make an indelible impact on the quality of life in Stratford, and Pride Month serves as a call to persist in the fight to eradicate prejudice and discrimination everywhere; and
- WHEREAS,** in our collective recognition of Pride Month I am directing the Pride Flag to be flown at Stratford Town Hall the week of June 1<sup>st</sup> through June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

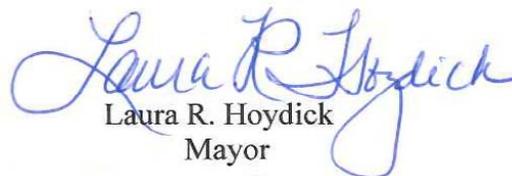
**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** the Honorable Laura R. Hoydick, Mayor of Stratford, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Town, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2020 as

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in the Town of Stratford in honor of the contributions the LGBTQ community make to our community and the support we have for them.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Official Seal of the Town of Stratford, this first day of June, in the year of our Lord, two thousand twenty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fourth.



  
Laura R. Hoydick  
Mayor