

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia values and celebrates the diversity of all citizens and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia enacted the first LGBT rights law in 1986, setting a local standard for upholding LGBT rights in Thurston County; and

WHEREAS, 25 years ago Capital City Pride organized the first small town Pride located outside of the relative safety of the big city of Seattle; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia has passed multiple LGBT protections ever since 1986; and

WHEREAS, many City of Olympia Council members have testified before the Washington State Legislature in support of LGBT rights over the past 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Capital City Pride recognized the City of Olympia with a Key Community Partner award in 2011 as part of the Pride 20th Anniversary recognition; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia has been honored to serve as the host city for the first Olympia Pride (later renamed Capital City Pride), and every Pride Festival since; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia is honored to again participate in the 25th Anniversary Capital City Pride festival to be held June 19-21, 2015;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Olympia City Council does hereby proclaim the third weekend of June 2015 to be Capital City Pride Weekend.

SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON THIS 16th DAY OF JUNE, 2015.

OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL

*Stephen H. Buxbaum
Mayor*

