

Resolution



ORDER NO. 2018-0629

DATE: JUNE 5, 2018

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 5th day of June, 2018 on a motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District 1 and seconded by Dr. Elba Garcia, Commissioner of District 4, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, June is recognized as LGBT Pride Month commemorating the riots at the Stonewall Inn in New York. The riots occurred on June 28, 1969 in opposition to police harassment and what followed marked the beginning of the modern LGBT rights movement; and

WHEREAS, On June 26th, 2015, when the Supreme Court issued the Obergefell v. Hodges ruling recognizing that all citizens have the constitutional right to marriage, Dallas County showed great leadership in becoming one of the first Texas counties to perform ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, While great strides have been made toward equality, LGBT people still face discrimination in employment, and disparities in healthcare, education and many other areas central to the pursuit of happiness in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Individuals who are lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) reside in every county in Texas, and are from all faiths, races, national origins, socioeconomic statuses, education levels and political beliefs; and

WHEREAS, LGBT people have made, and continue to make, vital contributions to Dallas County, in the fields of education, law, health, business, science, research, economic development, architecture, fashion, sports, government, music, film, technology, literature, law enforcement, fire and rescue, first responders, civil rights and politics, and serve in all branches of the military; and

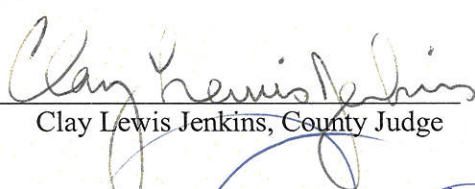
WHEREAS, LGBT people are particularly vulnerable as a marginalized community. LGBT youth are at an increased risk of suicide, homelessness and becoming victims of bullying and violence; transgender individuals face a disproportionately high risk of becoming victims of violent hate crimes; and

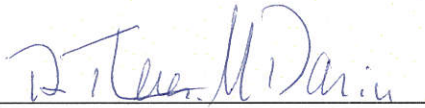
WHEREAS, The inclusion of LGBT people continues to expand every day and LGBT residents remain determined in pursuit of equality, respect and inclusion for all individuals regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity; and

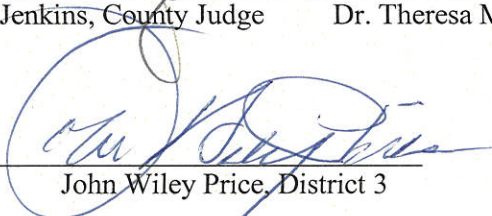
WHEREAS, Dallas County strives to provide a safe and welcoming environment to not only its residents, but also to all employees and will continue to look for ways to be more inclusive.

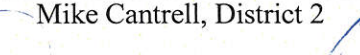
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby proclaim the month of June 2018 as LGBT Pride Month.

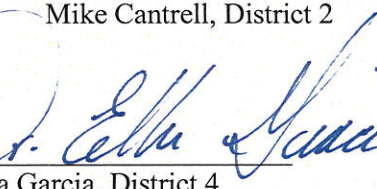
DONE IN OPEN COURT this the 5th day of June, 2018.


Clay Lewis Jenkins, County Judge


Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, District 1


John Wiley Price, District 3

ABSENT

Mike Cantrell, District 2


Dr. Elba Garcia, District 4