

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, equality of opportunity and freedom from discrimination are among the basic, inalienable moral rights of every person, necessary for the development and exercise of our most vital capacities and preconditions of human flourishing; and

WHEREAS, our nation was founded upon and is guided by a set of principles that includes that every person has been created equal, that each has rights to their life, liberty and pursuit of happiness and that each shall be accorded the full recognition and protection of law; and

WHEREAS, over the course of our nation's history the sphere of its moral recognition has expanded to include many persons previously marginalized, disenfranchised and subjugated; yet this recognition remains imperfect and this expansion incomplete; and

WHEREAS, 2015's landmark Supreme Court decision guaranteeing marriage equality in all 50 States was a historic victory for LGBT Americans, ensuring dignity for same-sex couples and greater equality across State lines.

WHEREAS, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month is observed annually in the month of June to honor the 1969 Stonewall Uprising and "to recognize the impact that lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals have had on history locally, nationally, and internationally;" and

WHEREAS, June 2021 marks the 51st anniversary of annual LGBTQ Pride observances;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Brian Holtzclaw, Mayor of the City of Mill Creek, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim June 2021 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month.

Signed this 8th, day of June 2021.

Brian Holtzclaw, Mayor

Michael G. Ciaravino, City Manager

Attest:

Naomi Fay, City Clerk