BOROUGH OF BRADLEY BEACH

RESOLUTION 2022-153

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH

Mayor Fox offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach welcomes and encourages Diversity and inclusion within our community; and

WHEREAS, June 28, 2022 marks the Fifty Second anniversary of Stonewall uprising in New York City, which sparked the gay rights movement, and is the nationwide month to recognize the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer/Questioning, and Plus (LGBTQ+) community; and

WHEREAS, celebrating Pride Month raises awareness and provides support and advocacy for the LGBTQ+ community, and is an opportunity to become educated, engage in dialogue, strengthen Alliances and build understanding; and

WHEREAS, while there has been remarkable progress towards acceptance and equality, members of the LGBTQ+ community continue to face discrimination, intolerance, and hate; and

WHEREAS, we must commit to supporting and accepting LGBTQ+ individuals, in particular our youth, who compared to their peers are far more likely to experience violence and bullying at school; to suffer from depression; to struggle with substance use; and to have attempted suicide; and

WHEREAS, we must remain vigilant in deterring oppression and discrimination against people on the basis of sex, gender identity or expression, or sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, by protecting the rights of every individual, we enhance and strengthen the value of everyone Throughout our entire society; and

WHEREAS, we affirm our support for LGBTQ+ residents in our community and stand with them to protect their civil rights and their ability to live openly, equally and without fear; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach recognizes and supports the month of June 2022 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer/Questioning and Plus (LGBTQ+) as "Pride Month". We urge all residents to celebrate and build a culture of inclusiveness and acceptance during this month and every month.

Seconded by Councilman Weber and adopted upon the following vote:

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Bonnell	X			
Mr. Gubitosi	X			
Mr. Sexsmith	X			
Mr. Weber	X			
Mayor Fox	X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Erica Kostyz, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bradley Beach, Monmouth County, New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Governing body at the May 24, 2022 Council Business Meeting.

Erica Kostyz Erica Kostyz, RMC, CMR

Municipal Clerk