

**PROCLAMATION
PRIDE MONTH**

WHEREAS, the Village of Lombard is a welcoming and inclusive community,

WHEREAS, Lombard recognizes the importance of equality and freedom for all residents and visitors, of which all are welcome to live, work, and play; and

WHEREAS, all residents deserve a safe place to call home, where they are welcomed and supported by friends and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, the nation was founded upon the principals that every person has been created equal and has the rights to live, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness under the protection of law; and

WHEREAS, Lombard is strengthened by the diversity of ethnic, racial, gender and sexual identities of its residents that contribute to the vibrant character of our Village; and

WHEREAS, Lombard residents that identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer or questioning (LGBTQ+) are important contributing members of the Lombard community; and

WHEREAS, Pride Month was founded on the one-year anniversary of the June 1969 Stonewall Uprising in New York City, in which LGBTQ+ individuals and allied friends fought against police harassment and discriminatory laws that have since been declared unconstitutional; and

WHEREAS, the Village accepts and celebrates its residents, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity; and

WHEREAS, the Village believes that all upstanding Lombard deserve to feel valued, safe, empowered and supported by their neighbors and community leaders;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Keith Giagnorio, President of the Village of Lombard, and on behalf of the Village of Lombard's Board of Trustees, hereby proclaim and recognize June 2023 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Pride Month in the Village of Lombard and encourage citizens to recognize the contributions made by members of the LGBTQ+ community and to proactively promote the American values of equality and liberty.



Keith T. Giagnorio
Village President