

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

PROCLAMATION NO. 2013-085

Proclaiming June 2013 as PRIDE Month for the LGBTQ Community in Multnomah County, Oregon.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. June Marks the 43rd annual recognition of Gay Pride Month, now recognized as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ) PRIDE Month throughout the United States;
- b. This month was chosen to commemorate the dedication, bravery, and sacrifice of those who led the 1969 uprising at the Stonewall Tavern in Greenwich Village, which sparked the modern LGBTQ consciousness movement in the United States;
- c. LGBTQ citizens of Multnomah County are actively engaged in every neighborhood, school, business, and election, yet continue to confront discrimination, bullying, stereotyping, harassment, and violence;
- d. Multnomah County has been the site of Pride celebrations each third weekend in June, with Multnomah County government supporting Pride Month and celebrations since 1992;
- e. Multnomah County's Office of Diversity and Equity sponsors Prism, a "full spectrum" Employee Resource Group comprised of over 80 LGBTQ and ally members who contribute to the ongoing mission of inclusion and equity in Multnomah County; and
- f. In the coming year Prism, a full spectrum employee resource group, with the support of The Office of Diversity and Equity, looks forward to collaborating with County Leadership and community stakeholders in advocating for initiatives such as inclusionary policy, marriage equality, LGBTQ employee data, and transgender justice.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:

The month of June 2013 as LGBTQ PRIDE Month in Multnomah County, Oregon. We urge all residents to join in this celebration.

ADOPTED this 13th day of June, 2013.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Jeff Cogen, County Chair

SUBMITTED BY: Daryl Dixon, Chief Officer of Diversity and Equity.