



Office of the  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
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**PRIDE MONTH PROCLAMATION**  
**JUNE 2021**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Marblehead is a welcoming community that celebrates and promotes diversity and inclusion and is committed to equal rights and opportunities for all its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Marblehead recognizes that our Nation was founded upon the principles that all people are created equal and that each person has the right to life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness and equal opportunity; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Marblehead is dedicated to fostering acceptance of all its residents and preventing discrimination and mistreatment based on sexual orientation or gender identity; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Marblehead celebrates the accomplishments of the LGBTQ+ community in the Town of Marblehead and towards securing important rights and freedoms, often through struggle and adversity; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Marblehead affirms its support for our LGBTQ+ residents and stands with them to protect their civil rights and ability to live openly without fear.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, we, the Board of Selectmen and on behalf of the Town of Marblehead, hereby proclaim and recognize the month of June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and Questioning (LGBTQ+) Pride Month, and we urge all residents to actively promote the principles of equality and liberty.

In witness whereof, we have hereby set our hands and the seal of the  
Town of Marblehead this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021.

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Jackie Belf-Becker, Chair

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