



*"The Peak of Good Living"*

# TOWN OF APEX NORTH CAROLINA

## *Proclamation*

### LGBTQIA+ Pride Month 2025

*from the Office of the Mayor*

WHEREAS, LGBTQIA+ Pride Month is celebrated each June to acknowledge the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, and Asexual community, and celebrate their lives and show them they are loved; and,

WHEREAS, This year marks the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Pride Month Celebration, and through the years it has turned into a worldwide time of support and love for a community that has endured much hardship and persecution, both socially and criminally; and,

WHEREAS, The traditional Pride Flag has 6 colors, representing life, healing, sunlight, nature, serenity, and the spirit of the LGBTQIA+ community, and has been updated over the years to be more inclusive of different identities and sexual orientations; and,

WHEREAS, We affirm that LGBTQIA+ rights are human rights, and stand firmly opposed to any effort that seeks to undermine the tremendous amount of progress that has been made in the struggle for equal rights in our Nation; and,

WHEREAS, The Town of Apex invites all residents to join in celebration for our Annual Pride Festival hosted by Apex Pride on Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, and experience the joy and fulfillment that can be found when people gather with love for each other and our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jacques K. Gilbert, Mayor of Apex, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the Month of June, 2025, as "LGBTQIA+ Pride Month" in the Town of Apex. As your Mayor, I remain committed to equal human rights for all residents and encourage everyone to have a sense of pride in being their authentic self, regardless of gender expression, and show love and respect to everyone!

I hereby set my hand and have caused the Seal of the Town of Apex,  
North Carolina, to be affixed this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025

Jacques Gilbert, Mayor