

Proclamation



Town of Carolina Beach
Town Council

PROCLAMATION NO. 26-2353

Proclaiming June 14-20, 2026 as Pleasure Island Pride Week in The Town of Carolina Beach

WHEREAS, our nation was founded on the principle of equal rights for all people, but the fulfillment of this promise has been long in coming for many Americans. As such, some of the most inspiring moments in our history have arisen from those seeking the promise of justice and equality, creating movements that bring communities from the margins to the mainstream of American society; and,

WHEREAS, the Stonewall Riots that occurred in New York City in June of 1969 were one such inspiring moment that gave rise to the observation of LGBTQ Pride month; and,

WHEREAS, June is celebrated nationwide as LGBTQ Pride month to provide visibility to the LGBTQ community, offer hope to those still in fear of being their authentic selves, and send a resounding call to all to use their voices to eliminate injustice everywhere; and,

WHEREAS, despite progress, the LGBTQ community remains a marginalized group that continues to experience violent attacks, especially in the transgender community; and,

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ community in Carolina Beach is an integral part of our resilient and vibrant town and has contributed to Carolina Beach's economic, artistic, cultural, and political development; and,

WHEREAS, everyone should be able to live without fear of prejudice, discrimination, violence, and hatred based on race, religion, gender identity, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic of identity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor of Carolina Beach, North Carolina does hereby proclaim June 14-20, 2026 as Pleasure Island Pride Week in the Town of Carolina Beach and encourages all residents to respect and honor our diverse community and celebrate and build a culture of inclusion and acceptance.

Adopted this 12th day of May, 2026.

TOWN OF CAROLINA BEACH

Albert L. Barbee, Mayor