



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, July is recognized as Disability Pride Month, a time to celebrate the history, achievements, contributions, and resilience of individuals with disabilities, and to promote inclusion, acceptance, and understanding of disability as a natural part of human diversity; and

**WHEREAS**, people with disabilities are valued members of the community, whose unique perspectives, talents, and experiences enrich our city and contribute to our collective progress; and

**WHEREAS**, Disability Pride Month offers an opportunity to recognize and honor the diverse accomplishments of individuals with disabilities in Fort Collins across all sectors, including education, employment, arts, sports, science, and community advocacy; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fort Collins is committed to fostering an inclusive and accessible community for all its residents, acknowledging the ongoing barriers that can be faced by individuals with disabilities, and working to eliminate these to ensure equal opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, it is essential to continue fostering a society in Fort Collins that embraces disability as an integral and valued part of human diversity, ensuring all individuals are treated with dignity, respect, and equality; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fort Collins appreciates the efforts of activists, organizations, and advocates who work tirelessly to advance the rights, independence, and well-being of individuals with disabilities, contributing to a more inclusive and accessible Fort Collins for all; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fort Collins promotes the Disability Advisory Board as a collaborative body dedicated to advising Council on matters that enhance the quality of life for individuals with disabilities, promoting accessibility, equity, and inclusion in the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Emily Francis, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim the month of July 2025, as

## DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 1st day of July, 2025.

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Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

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City Clerk