CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH

PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS**, the City of Lake Worth Beach is a friendly and welcoming community that celebrates and promotes diversity and inclusion; and
- **WHEREAS,** the City of Lake Worth Beach recognizes the importance of equality and freedom for all our residents and the progress we have made as a Nation in the fight for justice, inclusion and equity; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Lake Worth Beach recognizes that our Nation was founded upon the principles that all people are created equal and that everyone has the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Lake Worth Beach is dedicated to fostering acceptance of all its residents and preventing discrimination and mistreatment based on sexual orientation or gender identity and we reaffirm our commitment to do more to support LGBTQIA+ rights in our city; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Lake Worth Beach is strengthened by and thrives upon the rich diversity of ethnic, cultural, racial, gender and sexual identities of its residents; all of which make up our vibrant character; and
- the City of Lake Worth Beach recognizes the importance and contributions of members of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual and others (LGBTQIA+) community; and
- whereas, the City of Lake Worth Beach acknowledges that members of the LGBTQIA+ community especially people of color and trans people- continue to face discrimination and cruel, persistent efforts to undermine their basic human rights and it is specifically difficult for LGBTQIA+ youth, 45% of whom seriously considered attempting suicide in the last year.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Betty Resch, Mayor of the City of Lake Worth Beach, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me and on behalf of the City Commission, do hereby proclaim and recognize the month of June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual and Other (LGBTQIA+) Pride Month,

JUNE 2024 as LGBTOIA+ PRIDE MONTH

and we urge all residents to actively promote the principles of equality and liberty reminding the LGBTQIA+ community that they are loved and cherished and seen for who they are – deserving of dignity, respect, and support throughout our City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Lake Worth Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 4th day of June, 2024.

	Betty Resch, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Melissa Ann Coyne, MMC, City Clerk	