



*Town of New Castle, State of Colorado*

## ***Proclamation***

*WHEREAS, June is nationally recognized as Pride Month, a time to honor the history, culture, and contributions of individuals who identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community; and*

*WHEREAS, the first Pride Parade was held in June 1970 and pursuant to Presidential Proclamation in 2000, June was designated as Pride Month, marking a national commitment to acknowledging and supporting the rights and dignity of all people; and*

*WHEREAS, it is the wide diversity of residents in New Castle, Colorado that contributes to the strength, resilience, and vitality of our town through acts of service, creativity, leadership, civic engagement, and everyday neighborly support; and*

*WHEREAS, despite significant progress, many individuals still face discrimination, exclusion, and harm, and it is our collective responsibility to affirm human dignity and stand against all forms of hate and injustice; and*

*WHEREAS, celebrating Pride Month provides an opportunity for the people of New Castle, Colorado to deepen our shared commitment to inclusion, respect, and unity, and to ensure our town remains a place where everyone can thrive and belong;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Town Council of New Castle, Colorado, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2025 as **Pride Month** and encourage residents to reflect on the ongoing struggle for equality, celebrate the diversity of our community, and uplift the voices and contributions of individuals who help make New Castle a vibrant and compassionate place to live.*

*Let this Proclamation be entered into the official records of the Town.*

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*Art Riddle, Mayor*

*ATTEST:*

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*Mindy Andis, Town Clerk*