



# County Commissioners of Charles County

## PROCLAMATION 2025-44

### Pride Month

**WHEREAS**, President Clinton declared June Gay and Lesbian Pride Month in 1999 and President Obama expanded the observance to include the bisexual and transgender community in 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, Charles County is home to individuals who identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+), and we continue to embrace all residents and encourage the acceptance of diversity; and

**WHEREAS**, the LGBTQ+ community in America has achieved remarkable progress and made positive contributions to our country; and

**WHEREAS**, LGBTQ+ individuals strive to acquire protections for fundamental rights and overcome discrimination, harassment, and sometimes violence; and

**WHEREAS**, Charles County encourages the equitable and fair treatment of all people within our community and beyond.

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND**, do hereby proclaim June 2025 as **Pride Month** in Charles County and urge our residents to open their minds to unique views and ideas, respecting humanity, and choices of all people.



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