## City Of Torrington



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## City of Torrington, CT Board of Councilmen Resolution #143-206

WHEREAS, members of this Council support the rights, freedoms, and equality of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning (LGBTBQ+), and;

WHEREAS, the modern history of the LGBTQ community started with individuals who took a stand for human rights and dignity at the Stonewall Inn in New York City on June 28, 1969, and;

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court in 2015 recognized the marriage of same-sex couples under the 14th Amendment of the United States, and;

WHEREAS, decisive moments in history are the story of the LGBTQ community and have put our nation on a positive course to achieving full equality, and;

WHEREAS, individuals of this city who are LGBTQ have made and continue to make, vital contributions to every aspect of our city, including in the fields of education, law, health, science, business, research, economic development, architecture, fashion, sport, technology, music, civil rights, politics, and;

WHEREAS, LGBTQ individuals serve and have served in our local police and fire department, state national guard and all branches of the United States Military with honor, distinction, and bravery and;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Councilmen of the City of Torrington:

- 1. Recognizes that LGBTQ rights are human rights and are Constitutionally protected;
- 2. Recognizes that all residents should be treated fairly and equally regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity;
- 3. Endorses and lends its support for the federally proposed Equality Act (H.R. 5, 119th Congress)
- 4. Agrees that the City of Torrington must strive to ensure that the promise of equality is realized for all.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** BY THE BOARD OF COUNCILMEN OF THE CITY OF TORRINGTON, that we hereby declare the month of June as, "Pride in the City" month and encourage all individuals to partake in events celebrating the progress of the LGBTQ+ community.