

**Motion in Support of PRIDE Month
Council – June 8, 2022
Moved by: Mayor Crombie
Seconded by:**

WHEREAS, Council reaffirms its commitment to diversity, equality, respect and inclusion within our community; and

WHEREAS, Council further affirms its support for the *Two-Spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer or questioning and Additional sexual orientations and gender identities (2SLGBTQ+)* residents in our community and stands with them to protect their civil rights and their ability to live openly, equally and without fear; and

WHEREAS, February 5, 2022 marks the 41st anniversary of bathhouse raids in Toronto and that June 28th, 2022 marks the 53rd anniversary of the Stonewall riots in New York, and both these incidents galvanized the 2SLGBTQ+ movement, setting in motion changes for the community; and

WHEREAS on February 11, 2021, the Regional Council of Peel approved Resolution 2021-99 that adopted a recommendation from the Diversity, Equity and Anti-Racism committee to move PRIDE celebrations from the month of July to June in order to align local celebrations with Toronto and its neighbouring regions; and

WHEREAS, while there has been great progress towards acceptance and equality, Council stands with Mississauga's 2SLGBTQ+ community in recognizing that more work needs to be done to ensure that members of our 2SLGBTQ+ community no longer face discrimination, hate or violence because of who they are or who they love; and

WHEREAS, celebrating PRIDE Month raises awareness and advocacy for the 2SLGBTQ+ community, it is also an opportunity for all residents to engage in dialogue on inclusion and to harness an improved understanding for acceptance.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the month of June will be recognized as PRIDE month at the City of Mississauga.

AND THAT the PRIDE progress flag remains raised at City Hall throughout the month of June.

AND THAT Council request that PRIDE progress flags be purchased for every City facility, including fire stations and that they be displayed in the month of June.

