



Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas:

The City of Lima cherishes the value and dignity of each person and champions the importance of equality, liberty and justice; and

WHEREAS: All are welcome in the City of Lima to live, work, play and every family, regardless of makeup deserves a place to call home where they are safe, happy and supported by friends and neighbors; and

WHEREAS: The City of Lima denounces prejudice and unfair discrimination based on age, gender identity, gender expression, race, color, religion, marital status, national origin, sexual orientation or physical attributes as an affront to our fundamental American principles; and

WHEREAS: Pride month began in June of 1969 on the one year anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising in New York City after LGBTQ+ and allied friends rose up and fought against the constant police harassment and discriminatory laws that have since been declared unconstitutional; and

WHEREAS: The City of Lima appreciates the cultural, civic and economic contributions of all people which strengthens our social welfare; and

WHEREAS: It is imperative that all people in our community, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity and expression feel valued, safe, empowered and supported by their peers and community leaders.

NOW THEREFORE: I, Sharetta Smith, Mayor of the City of Lima, Ohio do hereby proclaim the month of June as

LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH

in the City of Lima, Ohio and encourages residents to recognize the contributions made by members of the LGBTQ+ community and to actively promote the principles of equality, liberty and justice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Lima, Ohio, this 1st day of June, 2022.

Handwritten signature of Sharetta Smith

SHARETTA SMITH, MAYOR
CITY OF LIMA, OHIO

