

**RESOLUTION NO. 3-22**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL, MARYLAND,  
TO ESTABLISH THE CITY OF LAUREL PRIDE DAY CELEBRATION PLANNING  
COMMITTEE**

*Sponsored by Councilmember James Kole*

**WHEREAS**, in 1994, the PRIDE Day program was founded by Missouri High School History teacher Rodney Wilson; and

**WHEREAS**, the LGBTQ+ History Month provides role models, builds community, and represents a civil rights statement about the contributions of the LGBTQ+ community; and

**WHEREAS**, History Month is an annual month-long observance of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender history, and the history of the gay rights and related civil rights movements in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, it is celebrated in October to coincide with National Coming Out Day on 11th October and to commemorate the first and second marches on Washington in 1979 and 1987 for LGBT rights; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council wish to provide an opportunity and education of the PRIDE Day celebration in the City of Laurel;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that City Council wishes to show its support for an annual PRIDE Day event in the City, for residents to learn, educate and celebrate the LGBTQ+ community;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the **City of Laurel PRIDE Day Celebration Planning Committee** is hereby established by this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the attached PRIDE Day Celebration Planning Committee description sheet is attached, providing the purpose, program description, staff, appointment process, the appointment process of the Chair and Vice Chair, meeting location and time of meetings.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Planning Committee appointments will serve without compensation, and all meetings shall follow the Maryland Open Meetings Act.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall take effect from the date of its adoption.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

**ATTEST:**

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**KIMBERLEY A. RAU, MMC**  
Clerk to the City Council

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**BRENCIS SMITH**  
President of the City Council

**APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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**CRAIG A. MOE**  
Mayor