

# Shelburne proclaims June as Pride Month, plans flag-raising ceremony

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The Town of Shelburne has officially proclaimed June 2026 as Pride Month, reaffirming its commitment to diversity, inclusion and equality within the community.

Mayor Wade Mills issued the proclamation on behalf of Shelburne council, recognizing Pride Month as a time to celebrate and support gender minorities while promoting awareness, acceptance and respect for all residents.

Pride Month is observed around the world as a celebration of the diversity that strengthens communities and as a positive stance against discrimination and violence directed toward lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and other members of the 2SLGBTQI+ community.

?Pride Month is a positive stance against discrimination and violence toward lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (2SLGBTQI+) people to promote their self-affirmation, dignity, equality rights,? the proclamation read.

?Pride Month in Shelburne is an opportunity to prevent discrimination and promote awareness and acceptance of every human person and to promote the development of harmonious relationships amongst all members of the community.?

Council also recognized the significance of the rainbow flag, the most widely recognized symbol of the 2SLGBTQI+ community since its creation in 1978.

The proclamation further emphasizes support for an inclusive and respectful community where residents can live, work and play in a safe and secure environment.

To serve as a ceremonial declaration and visual representation of commitment, the town will hold a Pride flag-raising ceremony on June 15 at 10 a.m. in Jack Downing Park, across from town hall.

The event will mark the community's recognition of Pride Month and serve as a public celebration of diversity and inclusion in Shelburne.

Through the proclamation and the latter flag-raising ceremony, the Town officially designates June 2026 as Pride Month.