

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the state of Washington recognizes that one of its greatest strengths is the diversity of its people; and

WHEREAS, Washington State has a long standing tradition of upholding the dignity of the individual, supporting legal equality and fair treatment for all citizens, and ensuring that acts of discrimination and hatred will not be tolerated; and

WHEREAS, members of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered community greatly contribute to our state's rich diversity; and

WHEREAS, gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered Washingtonians invite all citizens to join them during the month of June at events statewide that celebrate the human spirit and foster a greater understanding of, and appreciation for, the differences that enrich us all;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christine O. Gregoire, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim June 2007 as

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month

in Washington State, and I encourage participation in these events that promote tolerance and equal protection under the law.

I also urge the citizens of Washington State to join me in eliminating discriminatory policies and practices toward any culture, race, or group, whether it be in employment, housing, or other matters essential to daily life.

Signed this 19th day of April, 2007

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christine O. Gregoire".

Governor Christine O. Gregoire

