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Common Council Recognizes June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in the City of Albany

ALBANY, NY – The Albany Common Council announced a resolution on June 5 in honor of LGBTQ+ Pride Month in the City of Albany. Joined by Nathaniel Gray of the Pride Center of the Capital Region and Tandra LaGrone of In Our Own Voices, councilmembers voiced solidarity and support for the city’s LGBTQ+ community ahead of upcoming Pride Month celebrations.

“At a time when trans and gender nonconforming individuals—especially TGNC people of color—are being attacked and targeted and victims of violence at extremely high rates, we in the City of Albany are standing tall, proud, and loud and unabashedly in support of our LGBTQIA+ community,” **Councilmember Gabriella A. Romero** said. “June as Pride Month represents so many different things: resilience, celebration, joy, empowerment—but for me, Pride Month is a reminder of the work that continues to lie ahead.”

The Common Council also voted on June 5 to ensure that gender expression is explicitly protected under the City of Albany’s Human Rights Law.

Pride Month celebrations in Albany continue with Say it Loud! BIPOC Pride on June 10. The Common Council invites all community members to join it at the Capital Pride Parade and Festival on June 11.

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