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Pride flag-raising ceremony noon Wednesday, June 8, at Hayward City Hall

HAYWARD, Calif., June 1, 2021—In support of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) equality, the City of Hayward will celebrate LGBTQ Pride Month with a ceremonial raising of the Pride flag at noon on Wednesday, June 8, at City Hall Plaza.

The rainbow-colored banner will fly at City Hall for the entire month of June—with the ceremonial flag raising occurring after the first City Council meeting of the month during which the Council is scheduled to proclaim June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning, Queer, Intersex, 2-Spirit and Gender Non-Conforming Pride Month in the City of Hayward.

LGBT pride events are being held the world over during the month of June and will commemorate the 53rd anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion in New York City on June 28, 1969.

On that date, which historians consider the birth of the modern LGBT-rights movement, the then-commonplace occurrence of police raids on bars catering to LGBT patrons was met with resistance at the Stonewall Inn, where the bar's patrons fought back.

The proclamation to come before the Hayward City Council at its meeting the evening of Tuesday, June 7, reaffirms the City's commitment to being an inclusive, equitable and compassionate community, and to supporting visibility, dignity and equity of and for our LGBTQ+ community members.