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City of Hayward to raise gay Pride flag on Saturday in support of LGBT+ equality

HAYWARD, Calif., May 30, 2019—In recognition of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender pride, the City of Hayward will raise the gay Pride flag at 9 a.m. on Saturday at City Hall Plaza and will once again fly the rainbow-colored banner for the entire month of June.

LGBT Pride events are being held the world over during the month of June to commemorate the 50th 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.

In addition to unanimously directing that the Pride flag flown at City Hall, the Hayward City Council on Tuesday designated the month of June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning, Queer, Intersex, 2-Spirit and Gender Non-Conforming Pride Month in the City of Hayward.

The Council took the actions on Tuesday to convey pride in and support for its LGBT+ residents as well as for elected leaders elsewhere whose efforts to celebrate LGBT Pride have faced opposition.