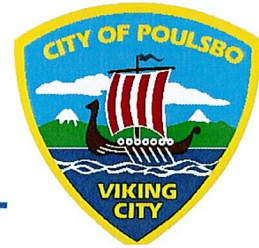


City of Poulsbo

Office of Mayor Edward (Ed) Stern



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the month of June was designated Pride Month to commemorate the Stonewall riots, which occurred in June of 1969 and are generally recognized as the catalyst of the LGBTQ Rights Movement; and
- WHEREAS,** City Council and staff have committed to make Poulsbo an inclusive and welcoming community for all, including the LGBTQ community; and
- WHEREAS,** all members of the Poulsbo community, including those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning, intersex and asexual have the right to feel safe, not be discriminated against and to live without the threat of violence or harassment; and
- WHEREAS,** supporting Poulsbo's LGBTQ community also aligns with the City's Comprehensive Plan guiding principle to support community members; and
- WHEREAS,** the LGBTQ community has made great strides; however, work remains in order to achieve full equality, inclusion and acceptance; and
- WHEREAS,** Poulsbo is strengthened by and thrives upon the rich diversity of ethnic, cultural, racial, gender and sexual identities of its residents; all of which contribute to the vibrant character of our City;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward Stern, Mayor of the City of Poulsbo, Washington, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2026, as

PRIDE MONTH

in the City of Poulsbo, and I invite the community to join me in celebrating the great diversity of our city, our commitment to eliminating prejudice everywhere it exists, respecting the rights of all people, and recognizing the contributions and achievements of the LGBTQ community.



Dated this 14th day of May 2026.

Edward R. Stern, Mayor