Proclamation

DC BLACK PRIDE WEEK

MAY 20-27, 2024

WHEREAS, the week before Memorial Day each year, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) African diaspora descends upon the nation’s capital for the DC Black Pride Week; and

WHEREAS, DC Black Pride draws thousands of participants from across the globe to celebrate shared community, to elevate to issues affecting the Black LGBTQ+ community, and to highlight organizations dedicated to addressing these issues; and

WHEREAS, this year’s DC Black Pride will feature two dozen educational workshops, a wellness pavilion, a poetry slam, writer’s forum, a faith service, a mini ball, and more; and

WHEREAS, the DC Black Pride 2024 theme, “Black Pride Forever,” reflects the view that racial and cultural pride should be celebrated every day by honoring differences, valuing unique talents, and pursuing economic, health and social equity; and

WHEREAS, DC Black Pride proudly supports DC statehood and invites all event participants to join with DC residents in their fight for full representation, autonomy, and fundamental rights:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF WASHINGTON, DC, do hereby proclaim May 20-27, 2024, as “DC BLACK PRIDE WEEK” in Washington, DC.

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