

## PROCLAMATION

RECOGNIZING JULY 2021 AS PRIDE MONTH IN THE CITY OF BONNEY LAKE AND CELEBRATING LGBTQ+ MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND THEIR FAMILIES

WHEREAS, the Piece County Council has declared July as LGBTQ+ Pride Month; the month chosen as the time Bonney Lakers have celebrated with our neighbors in Tacoma for over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bonney Lake is a place of equality and inclusion where we strive to maintain a community of love and understanding; and

WHEREAS, we encourage relevant and vital conversations about what it means to love each other, understand our differences, and support our LGBTQ+ friends, family members and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, we can strengthen resilience in the LGBTQ+ community through family and community inclusion and by giving LGBTQ+ community members support, respect, understanding and friendship; and

WHEREAS, despite progress, the LGBTQ+ community continues to face discrimination, harassment, hate speech and violence; and

WHEREAS, we welcome members of all communities to join our diverse city.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Neil Johnson, Jr. Mayor of Bonney Lake – "Where Dreams Can Soar" do hereby proclaim, **Júly 2021** as...

## LGBTQ+ Pride Month in Bonney Lake

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Bonney Lake to be affixed this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July.

Neil Johnson, Jr., Mayor