

PROCLAMATION

LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER PRIDE MONTH JUNE 2017

WHEREAS, the Village of Oak Park and the Oak Park Area Lesbian and Gay Association has fostered a community where diversity is encouraged and celebrated, inviting all citizens to participate in community building and fostering the many accomplishments of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community through its vision of a more open and equitable society; and

WHEREAS, the community continues to provide special attention and focus on the needs of all our youth, that we may instill in them a sense of pride and quality of life by adhering to a zero tolerance of discrimination and hatred, which offers them a safer and greater future; and

WHEREAS, the Oak Park Area Lesbian and Gay Association will be celebrating their 28th anniversary, as well as celebrating the second anniversary of the Supreme Court ruling guaranteeing marriage equality in all 50 States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Oak Park and the Oak Park Area Lesbian and Gay Association, joined by movements such as the Chicago North Park neighborhood movement “Hate Has No Home Here” continue to fight discrimination against people simply for being who they are.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anan Abu-Taleb, President of the Village of Oak Park and the Board of Trustees, do hereby proclaim June 2017 to be “Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month” in the Village of Oak Park, and encourage all Oak Parkers to join in affirming the human dignity and rights of lesbian, gay, bi-sexual and transgender individuals, the Oak Park Village Diversity Statement and anti-discrimination policies of the Village and the Oak Park Area Lesbian and Gay Association by participating in any and all events celebrating diversity.

DATES this 19th day of June, 2017.

Anan Abu-Taleb
Village President

ATTEST:

Vicki Scaman
Village Clerk