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**University of Central Florida
Fifty-Sixth Student Body Senate
Proclamation 56-02**

[Proclamation recognizing the Month of June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month]

WHEREAS, Senate Rule 2.04(G)(1) states that the Student Body Advocacy (SBA) Committee shall pass measures advocating on behalf of the student body regarding student and university affairs at the University of Central Florida (UCF);

WHEREAS, Senate Rule 5.01(D)(1) states that Proclamations are defined as measures recognizing, celebrating, or condemning extraordinary events, organizations, or individuals on behalf of all Student Government Agents;

WHEREAS, Pride month is celebrated during the month of June;

WHEREAS, Pride began being celebrated as a commemoration of the 1969 Stonewall Uprisings, during which the police raided a gay bar and the LGBTQ+ community fought back, while not the first instance, it garnered national attention and spanned six days;

WHEREAS, As a result, on June 28th, 1970 the first pride marches were held in New York, Chicago, and LA;

WHEREAS, Since then, other cities and countries have gathered in their own ways to celebrate Pride month, and march together every June;

WHEREAS, Orlando Pride began in 1991 when the Orlando Regional Pride organized a small rally for the community, the parade became an annual highlight for the LGBTQ+ community;

WHEREAS, The first Come Out With Pride was organized in 2005, during the month of October, this event has expanded exponentially, as 200,000 people attended in 2019 and a bid was submitted for Orlando to host World Pride;

WHEREAS, It is essential to celebrate Pride month as it highlights a community that has long been cast aside, and it allows for fruitful conversations and more understanding of the LGBTQ+ community;

WHEREAS, As a marginalized group, it is important to have a celebration of their identity, especially in a political climate that seeks to deny the existence of such people; and

WHEREAS, Pride month is a time of reflection and celebration for the LGBTQ+ community, and of great importance to the city of Orlando and UCF.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Fifty-Sixth Student Senate of the University of Central Florida that June is to be recognized as LGBTQ+ Pride month; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Proclamation be sent to Vice President for Student Success and Well-Being Adrienne Frame, Vice President for Access and Community Engagement Andrea Guzmán, Student Programs Coordinator for LGBTQ+ Services Emrys Murphy, The Lavender Council, Pride Student Association, Color Me Queer, oSTEM, Out and Active, and the Multicultural Student Center.

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