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**University of Central Florida  
Fifty-Sixth Student Body Senate  
Proclamation 56-18**

[Proclamation to Recognize October 2024 as LGBTQ+ History 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**, LGBTQ+ History month was first established in October of 1994 by Rodeny Wilson, the first openly gay high school teacher in the State of Missouri;  
**WHEREAS**, This month was meant to highlight the lack of education surrounding the LGBTQ+ community in formal educational settings such as secondary-school or university;  
**WHEREAS**, LGBTQ+ history month is meant to educate individuals about important members of the LGBTQ+ community, the contributions they have made to society, and the progress the community has made;  
**WHEREAS**, An estimated 7.6% of Americans identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community and reside in all fifty states, territories, and tribes;  
**WHEREAS**, The State of Florida, the City of Orlando, and the University of Central Florida are host to large, vibrant, LGBTQ+ communities which engage in our daily lives; and  
**WHEREAS**, The Student Government LGBTQ+ Caucus will be hosting a Queer Market Day on October 29th as a means to connect students with LGBTQ+ specific resources and organizations.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Fifty-Sixth Student Senate of the University of Central Florida that October be recognized as LGBTQ+ History Month, encourages any events relevant to this community and acknowledge its importance to the University through its participation in Queer Market Day on the 29<sup>th</sup> of October 2024, in conjunction with this proclamation; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Proclamation be sent to President Alexander Cartwright, Director of Access & Student Support Wayne Jackson, Vice President for Access and Community Engagement Andrea Guzmán, Office of Student Involvement Associate Director Chantel Carter, Director of Civil Discourse and Engagement Haley G. Winston, Coordinator of the Multicultural Student Center Kaelyn Hamilton, LGBTQ+ Services, Everything Bagels @ UCF Hillel, Pride Student Association, PRIDE Faculty and Staff Association, oSTEM, and ColorMeQueer.

**AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES**

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Allison Pohlmann  
Senate President

10/18/2024

Date

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Bryce Lister  
Student Body President

Date