

IN SUPPORT OF LGBTQ+ HISTORY MONTH OCTOBER 2022

WHEREAS, in 1994, a Missouri high school teacher, Rodney Wilson, gathered other teachers and community members to dedicate October to celebrating and teaching LGBTQ+ history, leading to the adoption of LGBTQ+ History Month to learn about the movements and members of this community and their achievements and contributions to all; and

WHEREAS, October 11th is celebrated as National Coming Out Day to honor the anniversary of when 500,000 people participated in the March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights in 1987, and October 20 is recognized as Spirit Day to raise awareness for the bullying and harassment that the LGBTQ+ community faces; and

WHEREAS, Poudre School District is committed to providing a safe and welcoming learning environment where all students, employees, families, and community members are recognized, supported, included, and celebrated, regardless of their gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, the Poudre School District Board of Education whole-heartedly embraces Poudre School District's LGBTQ+ students, employees, families, and community members for the perspectives, experiences, and contributions they bring to our schools and workplaces, and the Board strives to ensure that they are seen, accepted, valued, and celebrated for who they fully are; and

WHEREAS, while the Poudre School District Board of Education and staff have committed to make Poudre School District a welcoming and inclusive community for all, we recognize that there is more work ahead of us to fully bring our values of equity and inclusion to life to ensure that all students, families, and staff are genuinely included and reflected throughout our district.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Poudre School District Board of Education does hereby proclaim October 2022 as LGBTQ+ History Month in Poudre School District and encourages students, families, and staff to participate in discussion about and celebrate the rich, inspiring history of our LGBTQ+ community and promote the continuation of achievement and contribution from this diverse and noteworthy community.

Approved and adopted this 27th day of September 2022.

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