

**TOWNSHIP OF ROCKAWAY  
PROCLAMATION**

*WHEREAS, Township of Rockaway takes pride in and celebrates the diversity of the residents who make up our community; and*

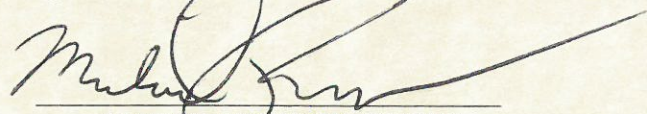
*WHEREAS, Township of Rockaway is a welcoming and inclusive community for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer individuals and couples in which to live and raise a family; and*

*WHEREAS, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer residents have made important contributions to improving the quality of life in Rockaway Township; and*

*WHEREAS, throughout our country's history lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people have faced prejudice and discrimination, we must continue to make the case that all human beings share something fundamental in common – all of us want to be loved and all of us want to love; and*

*WHEREAS, the promise of America is that all people should be able to live with dignity and have equal rights under the law, including marriage equality; and*

***NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael Puzio, Mayor of Rockaway Township, do hereby proclaim June 2021 as LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER and QUEER PRIDE MONTH in the Township of Rockaway, and call upon the residents of our community to celebrate the great diversity of Rockaway Township, and work together to break down the walls of discrimination and intolerance and promote full equal rights for all Americans, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.***



MAYOR MICHAEL PUZIO

June 2021

