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*Resolution recognizing Lesbian Visibility Week in the City of Milwaukee.*

**WHEREAS,**

## **LESBIAN VISIBILITY WEEK**

*was recognized during the week of April 21-27, 2025, in collaboration with LGBTQ+ organizations, businesses and allies; and*

**WHEREAS,** *This year's theme, "Celebrating Rainbow Families" emphasizes the importance of unity while recognizing and uplifting the unique experience of LGBTQ+ women, nonbinary people and rainbow families at a time when progress on LGBTQ+ rights globally and right here at home feel fragile and under attack, and we want to lift our voices up in joy and love, letting the world know that our families have always been here and will always be here; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Lesbian Visibility Week seeks to amplify the voices of those most marginalized within the LGBTQ+ community, ensuring that their stories are heard, and their experiences acknowledged, and preserved for future generations; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Lesbian Visibility Week is powered by the Curve Foundation, a nonprofit organization whose mission is championing LGBTQ+ women's stories and culture through intergenerational programming and community building, and this important work is furthered by the Lesbian Visibility Week MKE Committee and their collaborations with the Wisconsin LGBTQ History Project, Milwaukee LGBT Community Center, Diverse and Resilient, G/L Community Fund, PrideFest, HIVE, Prism, Planned Parenthood, PFLAG, Walker's Pint and others, thus making the City of Milwaukee stronger; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Alderspersons Zamarripa and Burgelis, the first out members of the Milwaukee Common Council, advocate and support the efforts and visibility of Milwaukee's vibrant LGBTQ+ women, nonbinary people and the LGBTQ Community as a whole; and*

**WHEREAS,** *The Milwaukee Common Council is committed to fostering a diverse, inclusive, and equitable environment where all individuals are celebrated for their authentic selves; now, therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED,** *That the Common Council of Milwaukee herewith recognizes Lesbian Visibility Week in the City of Milwaukee and celebrates nonbinary individuals, and supports efforts to create a more inclusive society for all; and, be it*

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to representatives of Milwaukee's Lesbian, Queer, Transgender, and Nonbinary individuals.*

**Introduced by Common Council members JoCasta Zamarripa, Peter Burgelis, Larresa Taylor, Marina Dimitrijevic, Sharlen P. Moore, Mark Chambers, Jr., Andrea M. Pratt, Milele A. Coggs, Lamont Westmoreland, José G. Pérez, Robert J. Bauman, Scott Spiker, and Russell W. Stamper, II, and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on April 22, 2025.**