

# Proclamation

Issued By The Mayor

## Honoring Transgender Awareness Week and Transgender Day of Remembrance

**WHEREAS**, all people deserve to live in a community that respects their dignity, safety, and overall well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, transgender people from all walks of life continue to face high levels of discrimination, fear, and stigma; and

**WHEREAS**, each year between November 13<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, Transgender Awareness Week raises the visibility of transgender people and to address the issues they face; and

**WHEREAS**, the week concludes with Transgender Day of Remembrance on November 20<sup>th</sup>, which brings awareness to hate crimes committed against transgender people and honors the memory of those harmed and killed by senseless acts of violence; and

**WHEREAS**, according to available federal data sources, there are approximately one million people in the United States who identify as transgender, representing 0.6% of the adult population. The San Francisco Bay Area has one of the highest percentages of adults who identify under the LGBTQ+ umbrella; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of San Leandro benefits from the diversity of its population and seeks to promote inclusion of all people as a testament to our shared values of dignity, equity, and fair treatment, without regard to gender identity or expression.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Pauline Russo Cutter, Mayor of the City of San Leandro, do hereby proclaim the week of November 13<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> as "**Transgender Awareness Week**" and November 20<sup>th</sup> as "**Transgender Day of Remembrance**" in San Leandro and encourage all residents to join in this worthwhile cause to promote inclusion, equity, and understanding of transgender people in our community.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of San Leandro to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 2021.

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