



PROCLAMATION

Trans Day of Visibility

Whereas, we recognize visibility matters as does the resilience, strength, and joy of transgender, nonbinary, and gender nonconforming people, especially our youth, who are integral to building a stronger, more prosperous, more inclusive North Liberty community, and

Whereas, North Liberty's success depends on ensuring that all persons feel safe, welcome, and celebrated here; and

Whereas, we acknowledge the adversity, discrimination, and restricted access to gender-affirming care and services that the transgender community continues to face across our Nation and around the world, and we honor the activism and determination that has fueled the fight for transgender equality, and

Whereas, regardless of their gender and/or orientation, all North Libertarians are worthy of a sense of community; through positive interactions and equitable access that promotes an atmosphere of being seen,

Whereas, many North Liberty residents and business owners, local elected officials, and City employees continually and intentionally work to build a gender-expansive community where every resident who identifies as transgender, nonbinary, and gender nonconforming has the opportunity to live their authentic truth; and

Whereas, the City of North Liberty aspires to be a bridge connecting the diverse LGBTQIA+ community with existing residents so that common ground and shared existence can be realized; and

Whereas, on Trans Day of Visibility, we honor transgender people who are fighting for freedom, equality, dignity, respect, and

Whereas, we also celebrate the parents, teachers, coaches, doctors, and other allies who affirm the identities of transgender children and help these youth reach their potential.

Whereas, we honor the spirit of unity which brings people together and are committed to ensuring that transgender people, especially transgender youth, enjoy the freedom and equality that are promised to everyone across North Liberty, the greater Johnson County area, the State of Iowa, and the nation; and

Whereas, we encourage our residents to join this movement by supporting and joining communities nationwide to participate in local, regional, and national events that demonstrate a commitment to our core community values by taking action in the spirit of visibility on this day and every day.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that I, Chris Hoffman, Mayor of North Liberty, do hereby proclaim March 31, 2023, as

Trans Day of Visibility

in the City of North Liberty.

Mayor Chris Hoffman

Signed in North Liberty, Iowa
this 28th day of March, 2023