

## International Transgender Day of Visibility

WHEREAS, The City of West Hollywood has historically been a passionate supporter of the transgender community, and has been on the forefront of transgender rights by developing the first Transgender Advisory Board and Transgender Memorial to honor victims of transgender hate crimes; and

whereas, annually on March 31st, the City of West Hollywood joins in the worldwide observation of Transgender Day of Visibility, which celebrates the vibrancy, unity and pride of the transgender community, and is an opportunity to find ways to build greater equality and social acceptance; and

WHEREAS, this year the City of West Hollywood and its Transgender Advisory Board will celebrate the International Transgender Day of Visibility through April 6, 2022, to provide a week-long celebration of increased visibility to the transgender community; and

WHEREAS, the City of West Hollywood will use the week-long celebration to honor transgender and gender non-confirming leaders through a virtual campaign; will light City Hall and the City's lanterns over Santa Monica Boulevard in the colors of the transgender flag; and will fly the transgender flag at City flagpoles; and

WHEREAS, the City will also support transgender art projects including the "As We Are, Pillars of Society" exhibit at Wallspace Gallery through April 15, 2022; and the virtual event "WeHo Reads | Trans | Future | Poetics" on April 6, 2022:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of West Hollywood hereby proclaims the week of March 31 – April 7, 2022, as the City of West Hollywood's week-long period of celebration of the Transgender Day of Visibility.

Resolved this 21st day of March, 2022

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