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THIRD READING

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Bill No: SR 33  
Author: Eggman (D), et al.  
Introduced: 5/1/23  
Vote: Majority

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**SUBJECT:** Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month

**SOURCE:** Author

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**DIGEST:** This resolution proclaims June 2023 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month.

**ANALYSIS:** This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Our great state and nation strives to promote the principles of equality and justice and the inalienable rights of all people to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.
- 2) To achieve a more just and fair society, we must teach our children to respect one another, to appreciate our differences, and to recognize the common good in all of us.
- 3) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people come from all walks of life, regardless of race, ethnicity, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, economic status, physical or mental ability, medical condition, sex, or gender identity or expression.
- 4) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people have made important and lasting contributions to our great state and nation in every field of endeavor, including, but not limited to, business, medicine, law, humanities, science, literature, politics, education, music, philanthropy, sports and athletics, arts, and culture, that enrich our national life.
- 5) In 2012, for the first time in the history of the United States, a sitting President, former President Barack Obama, affirmed support for the fundamental right to marry, regardless of sexual orientation or gender.

- 6) The Supreme Court of the United States has found a constitutional basis for marriage equality, granting millions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer individuals across the country the ability to marry people whom they love.
- 7) Married same-sex couples now enjoy the same rights and privileges granted to other married couples, including joint tax filings, military benefits, family and medical leave, and the ability to sponsor a foreign spouse.
- 8) The transgender community in particular, has gained newfound prominence in the media, entertainment, sports, and business, raising awareness about gender identity and the obstacles this community continues to face.
- 9) WHEREAS, The Supreme Court of the United States ruled that Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 protects employees from discrimination based on their sexual orientation and gender identity.
- 10) Each year, June marks the anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion that gave birth to the modern lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer civil rights movement.
- 11) The first New York City Pride Rally occurred one month after the Stonewall Riots in June 1969, when 500 people gathered for a “Gay Power” demonstration in Washington Square Park, followed by a candlelight vigil in Sheridan Square.
- 12) On the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising, the NYC Pride organization simultaneously hosted “WorldPride” during its 2019 season. This was the first WorldPride celebration hosted on United States soil, and the second North American WorldPride in the event’s over 20 year history.

This resolution proclaims June 2023 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month, urges all Californians to join in celebrating the culture, accomplishments, and contributions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people, and encourages the people of California to work to help advance the cause of equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people, and their families.

### **Related/Prior Legislation**

SR 92 (Eggman, 2022) proclaimed June 2022 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month. The resolution was adopted by the Senate.

SR 39 (Eggman, 2021) proclaimed June 2021 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month. The resolution was adopted by the Senate.

HR 51 (Low, 2021) proclaimed June 2021 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month. The resolution was adopted by the Assembly.

SR 44 (Wiener, 2019) proclaimed June 2019 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month. The resolution was adopted by the Senate.

HR 41 (Gloria, 2019) proclaimed June 2019 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month. The resolution was adopted by the Assembly.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** Appropriation: No Fiscal Com.: No Local: No

**SUPPORT:** (Verified 5/8/23)

None received

**OPPOSITION:** (Verified 5/8/23)

None received

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