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Progress Pride Flag Raising Ceremony at Hollywood City Hall Wednesday, June 1st at 12:30 p.m.





Hollywood, FL – In celebration of Pride Month, the City of Hollywood, in partnership with the Hollywood LGBTQ+ Council, will fly the “Progress” Pride flag at City Hall for the entire month of June.

All are invited to attend the official Progress Pride Flag Raising Ceremony at Hollywood City Hall, 2600 Hollywood Boulevard on Wednesday, June 1st at 12:30 p.m. In addition to remarks by Mayor Josh Levy and Council President Todd Delmay, singer David Meulemans will perform “You Raise Me Up” a capella while the Progress Pride flag is being raised.

This year, in addition to the Progress Pride Flag, the “My Hollywood Pride Youth Tapestry” will hang in the 2nd floor lobby of City Hall for the month of June. The tapestry was created in January 2022 by youth who attended the My Hollywood Pride inaugural event. Each of the 18 fabric squares were thoughtfully created and personalized by youth to express who they are and how the event made them feel. The materials and assembly of the quilt was made possible by Denise Glaser of Broward Quilt Expo and Quilting in the Pines Guild.

“Hollywood’s emergence as a municipal leader of LGBTQ+ equality has been remarkable. Hollywood was the first city in the state to fly the Progress Pride flag in 2020 and celebrated its first My Hollywood Pride in January of this year,” says Delmay. “And with the flag raising at City Hall again, we are unveiling for the public what we believe is the first of its kind in the state; a Pride Youth Tapestry made by local youth on the theme of what Pride means to them. In a year when youth have felt especially vulnerable, and a time when the most marginalized in our community need our support, I could not be prouder that Hollywood is demonstrating its commitment to work together toward progress and equality for everyone.”

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The Progress Pride flag, donated by the Council, will fly over Hollywood City Hall in June as a symbol of the open and diverse community that is Hollywood. The Progress Pride flag features the traditional rainbow colors, but also includes a chevron with black and brown to represent queer people of color, and pink, blue and white to represent those of trans and/or non-binary experience.

The general public and members of the media are invited to gather on the east side of City Hall, just below the flagpole, near the front steps. Interview opportunities to follow the ceremony. Free parking is available on both the north and south sides of City Hall Circle. For media inquiries, please call Joann Hussey, City of Hollywood Communications Manager at 954.921.3620.



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