

Proclamation



DC BLACK PRIDE WEEKEND

MAY 23 - 25, 2014

WHEREAS, this year marks the 24th Annual DC Black Pride Weekend with the theme: "I AM BLACK PRIDE;" and

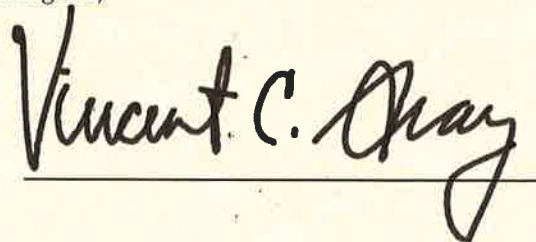
WHEREAS, each year thousands of participants nationally and internationally come to Washington, D.C. to participate in this festive event; and

WHEREAS, this annual event is committed to increasing awareness of pride and diversity of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) African-American community, as well as to support organizations that focus on health disparities, education, youth and families; and

WHEREAS, the Black LGBT community is dedicated to ensuring the adequate provision of health care related services for AIDS, eliminating domestic violence, and facilitating foster parenthood and adoption of youth; and

WHEREAS, the Black LGBT community strives to combat all violence directed toward LGBT women and men, thus ensuring that the District of Columbia remains a safe place for everyone regardless of their sexual orientation:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, do hereby proclaim May 23 - 25, 2014, as "DC BLACK PRIDE WEEKEND" in Washington, D.C.



Vincent C. Gray

