

Proclamation



DC BLACK PRIDE WEEKEND

MAY 24 - 28, 2018

WHEREAS, this year marks the 28th Annual DC Black Pride Weekend hosted by Black Lesbian and Gay Pride Day, Incorporated; and

WHEREAS, this annual event brings over 50,000 participants together to increase awareness of pride and promote diversity throughout the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) community; and

WHEREAS, the African-American LGBTQ community is dedicated to ensuring access to health care related services for individuals living with HIV/AIDS, addressing women's health issues, and facilitating appropriate services for LGBTQ elders; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "Communities Together Building Communities," reinforces the commitment of the African-American LGBTQ community to combat all violence directed toward LGBTQ individuals, and ensure that the nation remains a safe place for all regardless of their sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, Washington, DC remains vigilant in addressing acts of discrimination, hatred, and hate based crimes and addresses the important concerns of LGBTQ residents:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF WASHINGTON, DC, do hereby proclaim May 24 - 28, 2018, in Washington, DC, as "DC BLACK PRIDE WEEKEND."

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Muriel Bowser". The signature is written over a horizontal line.

