

Proclamation



**CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER RECOGNITION DAY

MAY 2, 2015

WHEREAS, the City of Northampton is committed to upholding the provisions of the Massachusetts Civil Rights Act; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to recognize the many positive contributions of its citizens, volunteers, and business people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender; and

WHEREAS, the City has set aside today, May 2, 2014, for the Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender Pride March; and

WHEREAS, Today we remind ourselves that more remains to be done to ensure that every single American is treated equally, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity; and

WHEREAS, the Pride March also is our yearly effort as a city to raise awareness for equal rights and full equality both locally and globally. We stand up for all the people across the globe who are oppressed and cannot stand up.

NOW,
THEREFORE, I, Mayor David J. Narkewicz, do hereby proclaim today as our annual day of recognition for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender persons in our community.

This is the 34th consecutive year that the Pride March has taken place. We thank all the volunteers, sponsors and vendors who step up to make it happen.

In Witness whereof, I have set my hand and imprinted the seal of the City of Northampton this 2nd day of May, 2015.



**David J. Narkewicz
Mayor**