



**A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL  
OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS  
PRIDE MONTH PROCLAMATION AND  
REAFFIRMING THE DELAWARE TRIBE AS A  
SAFE SPACE FOR 2SLGBTQ+ TRIBAL  
MEMBERS**

**RESOLUTION 2023-60**

*Sponsored by Rusty Creed Brown*

**WHEREAS**, the Delaware Tribal Council is authorized by Article V of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Delaware Tribe of Indians to represent and act in all matters that concern the general welfare of the Tribe; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Delaware Tribe of Indians, the Tribe's governing body is the Delaware Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Delaware Tribal Council believes in the inherent right of all tribal members to embrace their sexual orientation and gender identity and shall not discriminate against anyone based on their sexual orientation and/or gender identity; and

**WHEREAS**, all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. 2SLGBTQ+ individuals have had immeasurable impact to the cultural, civic and economic successes of our tribe and community; and

**WHEREAS**, frequently referred to as two spirit people they were forced by government officials, Christian representatives, and sometimes assimilated Natives to conform to euro-centric gender roles, and

**WHEREAS**, the Delaware Tribal Council is committed to supporting visibility, dignity and equality for 2SLGBTQ+ tribal members, family, and other community members; and

**WHEREAS**, it is essential to acknowledge the need for education and awareness remains vital to end discrimination and prejudice; and

**WHEREAS**, the Delaware Tribal Council deems all tribal property and buildings to be a safe space for all 2SLGBTQ+ tribal members, family, and other community members; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, The Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians does hereby authorize and approve the acknowledgement of Pride Month and support 2SLGBTQ+ tribal members, family, and other community members; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians declares all tribal property and buildings a safe space for all people including 2SLGBTQ+ people.

## CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing was considered by the Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians and adopted this 28 day of JUNE 2023 with a vote of 6 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstaining.

Tonya Anna  
Tonya Anna, Assistant Chief

Bruce Martin  
Attested by: Bruce Martin, Secretary

