RESOLUTION NO. 3156

CITY OF WESTFIELD

IN CITY COUNCIL

May 4, 2023

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JUNE 2023 AS LGBTQIA+ PRIDE MONTH

WHEREAS the City of Westfield is home to a diverse and inclusive community; and,

WHEREAS individuals who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual, and other gender identities and sexualities (LGBTQIA+), have made, and continue to make, vital contributions to the City of Westfield in countless ways; and,

WHEREAS Westfield native John M. Greaney served on the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court from 1989 to 2008 and wrote the 2003 concurrence in Goodridge v. Department of Public Health, making Massachusetts the first State to legalize same sex-marriage; and

WHEREAS LGBTQIA+ Pride Month is currently observed each year in the month of June in remembrance of the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in Manhattan, which was a tipping point in the struggle for LGBTQIA+ rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Westfield hereby recognizes June 2023 as LGBTQIA+ Pride Month in the City of Westfield, and hereby invites those groups and individuals with care and custody of flag poles in the City of Westfield to consider joining us in this recognition by flying the Pride Flag.

Presented to the Mayor

Approved by the Mayor

For approval May 5, 2023

/ Clerk

Michael McCabe, Mayor