

Proclamation

DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH

WHEREAS, Disability Pride Month is celebrated nationally and internationally each July to commemorate the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) on July 26, 1990, a landmark civil rights law prohibiting discrimination against people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, approximately 15% of the world's population are disabled, representing a rich spectrum of identities across age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, religion, and socioeconomic background; and

WHEREAS, Carrboro is home to a vibrant and diverse disabled community whose presence, leadership, creativity, and advocacy deeply enrich our town; and

WHEREAS, Disability Pride Month is an opportunity to honor the history, culture, and contributions of disabled people while affirming disability as a natural and valuable part of human diversity; and

WHEREAS, this month challenges ableism, combats stigma, and promotes full inclusion and equity by recognizing that disability is not a deficit—but a vital part of who people are and how they move through the world; and

WHEREAS, Carrboro is committed to being a town where all people, including those with disabilities, can live with dignity, safety, access, joy, and pride;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Barbara M. Foushee, Mayor of the Town of Carrboro, do hereby proclaim July 2025 as Disability Pride Month in Carrboro, North Carolina, and call upon all residents to join in recognizing and celebrating the disabled members of our community with visibility, respect, and solidarity.

This, the 17th day of June, 2025.


Barbara M. Foushee

