

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the Caddo Parish Commission is pleased to extend appropriate recognition to organizations which strive to make a positive impact on our community; and

**WHEREAS**, equality of opportunity and freedom from discrimination are among the basic, inalienable rights of every person, necessary for the development and exercise of our most vital capacities and preconditions of human flourishing; and

**WHEREAS**, our nation was founded upon and is guided by a set of principles that includes every person has been created equal and that they have the right to the pursuit of happiness and that each shall be accorded the full recognition and protection of law; and

**WHEREAS**, Caddo Parish has become stronger by the rich diversity of its residents, all of which contribute to the vibrant character of our parish and illustrate the vastness of the range of human experience; and

**WHEREAS**, Caddo Parish is home to PACE, People Acting for Change and Equality, an organization of individuals working to ensure the full and equal recognition and protection of the fundamental rights of the LGBT people and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, PACE was instrumental in crafting and passage of Shreveport's Fairness Ordinances in 2014 banning discrimination based on race, sex, disability, age, ancestry, national origin, political or religious identification, gender identity and sexual orientation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by undersigned members of the Caddo Parish Commission that June 2026 is recognized as:

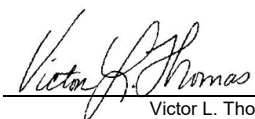
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in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, extending to all appreciation and gratitude for their service to this country, state and parish for its efforts to focus the attention of the community upon those individuals and to their cause, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all residents are encouraged to celebrate the progress within our culture towards justice, equality and full civic recognition for all Caddo residents.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Jeff Everson  
Commission Clerk

  
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Victor L. Thomas  
Vice President

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