

Moore, Tania

From: Chelsie Carr <carrchelsie@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 6:16 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride Flags

To Whom it May Concern,

I lived & worked in HB for years. I worked with the crew who first opened Dukes, began a Senior Pilates program for the city and have been proud to shop & eat in your city. I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. Knowing that a vote went in favor of prejudice makes me want to spend my money elsewhere. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Please consider views like mine in moving forward. I'd like to tell others that HB is inclusive and open minded, but fear I will need to spread the word & ask others not to spend their money in HB either.

Sincerely,
Chelsie Carr

Sent from my iPhone

**SUPPLEMENTAL
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Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23(23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Rebekah Pinkham <bekahpinkham@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 6:27 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: LGBTQ+ Rights

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,

Rebekah Pinkham

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Moore, Tania

From: Rebecca Zornes <rebeccazornes@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 6:54 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Hudson (She/Her)

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Moore, Tania

From: Vanessa van Nieuwenhuysen <calledbylove@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 9:10 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: RE: Huntington Beach Pride

Dear Huntington Beach City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but am a resident of Orange County and I support an honor inclusivity and the rights of the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, and they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June. Orange County, California and visitors from around the world are watching how Huntington Beach will respond to the LGBTQ+ Community. These are our neighbors, brothers, sisters, nurses, doctors, EMT, family members, lifeguards, restaurant servers, chefs, firefighters, police officers, mail carriers and our children the list goes on. Do the right thing by voting for the upliftment and acceptance of our LGBTQ+ community members. Be on the right side of history by demonstrating through your actions that Huntington Beach is open and accepting to everyone. Please vote to Fly the flag with Pride!

Sincerely,
Vanessa van N

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Moore, Tania

From: Erin Mccarthy <quirkyart@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 7:27 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride Flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,

Erin McCarthy

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Moore, Tania

From: Carolyn Healy <healy.carolyn1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 7:49 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Cc: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride please

Dear Council Members,

As a longtime property owner in Huntington Beach & the daughter of a Marine Corps veteran who proudly flew the Corps flag on special days, I'm writing to let you know that you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag in June and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. The majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Healy

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Moore, Tania

From: Melissa Desjardin <msdesjardin33@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 8:33 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Cc: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride Flag

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Melissa Desjardin <msdesjardin33@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Feb 13, 2023, 8:29 AM
Subject: Pride Flag
To: <City.Council@surfcity-hb.org>
Cc: <supplemental@surfcity-hb.org>

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Hello,

I am a resident of Huntington Beach since the day I was born. 47 years I have been a resident and citizen in Huntington Beach. I was so proud the day our City Council voted to fly the Pride Flag during Pride Month, and so disappointed and sad the day you chose not to.

I am a wife, mother of 3, volunteer, and I work in a local school district. You were elected to represent the people of Huntington Beach... your vote and Removal of the flag represent nothing about me or my family.

It is a scary world for the LGBTQIA+ Community, one of my children included. Flying the PRIDE Flag lets the LGBTQIA+ Community know they are welcome here. Removing it is a clear sign that they are not. Which side of history do you want to be on? The inclusive, accepting side, or the side that brings us back decades to unequal rights? What's next? Where does this backslide end?

I understand that some people might not understand the value and importance of flying that flag, and I would like to quickly explain. HB City Council is moving to continue to fly the POW/MIA flag, as they should. And why should they continue to fly that flag? Because, like the PRIDE flag, POW/MIA service members represent all Americans. They represent Americans of all races, all cultures, all religions, all economic backgrounds, just as the PRIDE flag does. There are LGBTQ+ Americans in every race, every gender, every culture, every religion, and every economic background. Both the POW/MIA and PRIDE Flag are unifying flags that are flown to represent these groups, and that they are seen and are represented in our city. They are one of only a handful of flags that are meant to unify (the disability awareness flag is another example of a flag that could be flown to represent unity as well). And I ask, isn't now a time to unify rather than divide?

The Federal Government supports flying the PRIDE flag: <https://www.gsa.gov/blog/2022/06/15/gsa-helps-raise-pride-flag-at-federal-buildings>

As a resident and community member of Huntington Beach, I ask that you reconsider this decision and vote to continue to fly the Pride Flag just as the unanimous decision just 2 short years ago.

Thank you,
Melissa Desjardin

Moore, Tania

From: Carole Free <freecarole@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 8:46 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Cc: Kate Healy
Subject: Pride flag

I am in favor of the LGBTQ flag, being flown in the month of June in Huntington Beach. The council should be representing the wishes of the community.
Thank you for considering my wishes.

Mrs. Peter Healy
Huntington Harbor
Sent from my iPhone

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

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Moore, Tania

From: Jana Cupp <jana.cupp@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 10:00 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Keep Inclusivity in HB and fly the PRIDE flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Jana Cupp
(949) 923-8530

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Moore, Tania

From: Dena Lombardo <dena.lombardo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 11:39 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride Flag Support

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,
Dena Lombardo

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Dena Lombardo
dena.lombardo@gmail.com

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Moore, Tania

From: Jackie Budgor <venusdance4@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 11:44 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Support flying the pride flag in HB

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach but I grew up in Orange County. We visit family who live in Huntington Beach. I also have 4 kids who are queer and trans. I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June. It is very sad and destructive that a few council members vote against the will of the majority of residents.

Sincerely,
Jackie Budgor

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Moore, Tania

From: Y Morri <ymorri02@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 12:10 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Flags

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, I am disappointed in your initial vote to suspend flying the PRIDE flag during the month of June. and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. The flag is a symbol of unity and acceptance and serves to show residents and visitors that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for everyone. I think this is especially important for the youth in our community. Research shows the significant positive impact acceptance has on mental well-being. This should not be a political issue. It is a very simple way to make people in our community feel seen and accepted. Please reconsider and vote to fly the PRIDE flag during the month of June.

Sincerely,
Yelena Morri

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Moore, Tania

From: Brenda Glim <bkglim@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 12:43 PM
To: city.council@surcity-hb.org
Cc: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Vote to Keep flying the PRIDE flag during PRIDE month

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted not to fly the PRIDE Flag during PRIDE month. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by emails you have received and individuals that were at the last City Council meeting the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ community and the flag to fly during the month of June.

I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that you are listening to your constituents and understand that your position is not about you but about Huntington Beach residents and visitors that support our city. We want visitors to know we are a safe, inclusive place that welcomes diversity.

Sincerely,

Brenda Glim

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Moore, Tania

From: Sharon Whittaker <sharonmariewhittaker@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 1:48 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Huntington Beach PRIDE Flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,

Sharon Whittaker

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Moore, Tania

From: Madhu Agarwal <m_chop@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 1:55 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

THANKS!

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Moore, Tania

From: Kelly Marie Martin <kellym43@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 2:03 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Fwd: PRIDE Flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,

Kelly Marie Martin
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Moore, Tania

From: Dorothy Low <dbandassociates1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 2:14 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: PRIDE FLAG

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive, and safe city for its LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,
The Lows
(North Huntington Beach)

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Moore, Tania

From: Bea Lichodziejewski <feohnuh@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 3:57 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: LGBTQ+ Member

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Bea

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Bea Lichodziejewski

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Moore, Tania

From: M Mcdonald <grandiflora1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 4:53 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: LGBTQ+ Flag

Hello,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I have family who live in Huntington Beach and are part of the LGBTQ+ community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community which includes members of my family. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Melissa McDonald

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Meeting Date: 2/17/2023

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Moore, Tania

From: Dena Birmingham <denairene@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 5:02 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: The importance of the PRIDE Flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,

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Moore, Tania

From: ann inman <anneyedoc@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 5:07 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride flag in HB

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. In a nation of increasing hate crimes and racism towards minorities, Huntington Beach needs to stand apart and support the LGBTQ+ community. Please allow the Pride flag to fly during the month of June. At the next City Council meeting, please vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,

Ann Gaylord
Resident of Huntington Beach

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Moore, Tania

From: Sadie Johnson <sadie4444@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 6:15 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Please keep PRIDE flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Sadie Johnson

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Moore, Tania

From: Beachcomberjewelry <maggiemcclure2583@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 8:01 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,

Maggie McClure

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Moore, Tania

From: Lisa Williams <lwilliamshb@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 7:23 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Flag Flying Ordinance

Dear Council Members,

As residents of Huntington Beach for almost thirty years, you did not represent our voices when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. The overwhelming majority of emails received by the City Council (almost 85%) voiced support for the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. In addition, almost 90% of those that spoke at the City Council meeting on February 7th were opposed to the new ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns and in favor of flying the PRIDE Flag. We ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ residents, family, and friends and all those who visit and work here.

It was also stated that the new flag flying ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns is an attempt to:

- 1) "Simplify government" -- PLEASE remember that as elected officials, you should never try to simplify and make your job easier at the expense of doing what is right for your constituents, for your City, for your Nation, for the World.
- 2) "All are represented equally under the flag of the United States of America" -- this is simply NOT TRUE. There are millions of Americans every day fighting for their basic human rights and freedoms, like access to healthcare, housing, employment, etc. They face continued harassment and discrimination as well. Therefore, the United States Flag DOES NOT represent all Americans equally. Please remember that many of these marginalized and oppressed Americans live, work, and visit Huntington Beach. So, opportunities to fly "specialty" flags like the PRIDE flag are critical for inclusion, representation, equity, celebration, and acceptance.

Sincerely,

Andrew and Lisa Williams

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Moore, Tania

From: Renee Wilcox <reneewilcox5@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 10:32 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: RE: Pride Flag Removal in HB

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive, and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I decide where I will spend the day at the beach, where I will go shopping, and where I will go on vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa, and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

I'm not sure who you are trying to appease with the decision to stop flying the PRIDE Flag in June, but it is short-sighted and not good for the businesses or residents of Huntington Beach.

Flying the PRIDE Flag is such a simple way to support inclusivity. I am so disappointed with the City Council of Huntington Beach, that you would take an action that makes people I know and love feel unsafe and unwelcome in your city.

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Juanita Wilcox

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Moore, Tania

From: Nancy Silver Summit Financial <nancy@silversummitfinancial.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 11:53 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride Flag

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,
Nancy Gahn



Nancy E Gahn

(714) 915-7699

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Huntington Beach, CA 92649



**SUPPLEMENTAL
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Moore, Tania

From: Scott Beckman <scottbeckman341@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 7:41 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: LGBTQ+ Pride flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Scott Beckman

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23(23-105)

Moore, Tania

From: Keann Chan <keannchan94@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 7:47 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: HB PRIDE Flag

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,

KeAnn Chan

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23(23-105)

Moore, Tania

From: leongah wheeler <lw4law@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 10:02 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride flag

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Stop the hate.... What are you so afraid of?

Sent from my iPhone

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: # 23 (23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Paige Johnson <paigejohnsonm@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 12:22 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: PRIDE Flag in Huntington Beach

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Paige Johnson
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**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23(23-105)

Moore, Tania

From: MARTIN HARDLUND <mhardlund@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 9:36 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Please continue to fly the Pride flag

Dear HB city council,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, I urge you to keep flying the Pride flag on HB buildings. Pride is an inclusive snow of unity that we need to perpetuate.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Martin Hardlund
4700 Warner Ave 114
Huntington Beach, CA 92649

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Xabi C <xabi242@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 12:39 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride

Dear City Council Members, I do not live in Huntington Beach, I support LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go shopping, or where I will go on vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa, and Laguna Niguel, Laguna beach and Southern California. They show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June. What happened to the freedom of speech?

Sincerely,
Shabnam ChamanAra

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-1105)

Moore, Tania

From: Jennifer Kubit McCullough <jenkubit@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 4:41 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Keep flying the Pride flag!

Dear Council Members,

I am a resident of Huntington Beach, and I write in opposition to the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns that would turn back the clock on our city's warm welcome of all. Flying the PRIDE flag communicates positively that the LGBTQ+ community and their loved ones are safe here, wanted here, and are valuable members of our community. To remove the flag, even under the false guise of "equality" is an exclusionary, regressive move that shows more allegiance to far-right politics than faithful representation of the people of Huntington Beach.

When Huntington Beach makes the news for "culture war" issues, we all lose. Once again, our city is making headlines as being bigoted, uneducated and unfriendly, not because of the good citizens of the city, but because the national, political climate has been put ahead of the real lives of actual people.

I hope the council members take time to think about what it says if Huntington Beach reverses our welcome, pulling down a flag that conveys hope and safety to so many. What message do we send if our welcome is conditional and our hospitality is unpredictable? Many of us are proud of Huntington Beach as a good place to raise a family, and many (if not all) of our families include loved ones in the LGBTQ+ community. Let's keep being a city for families instead of a city for politics.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Jennifer McCullough

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she/her/hers

714-655-1301

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Bailey Smith <baileyksmith@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 7:43 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride Flag Ordinance

Dear City Council Members,

I am an Orange County homeowner and my boyfriend and I spend most weekends in Huntington Beach. We eat at Avila's, Duke's, or Sandy's. He gets drinks at Provisions, we buy emergency beach clothes across from the pier, and so on. I am a Legacy Longboard runner of the Surf City Half Marathon and have been running it since 2012.

Because I feel so much a part of the community, I am absolutely astounded that it's even being discussed to pass an ordinance banning the flying of the Pride Flag. I am a strong ally of the LGBTQ community, for one thing, and for another thing, it's 2023, not 1953. This is an astonishing step backwards and an absolute slap in the face to anyone who values inclusivity and free speech. It makes the city look ridiculous.

It will also hurt business. There are plenty of nearby communities that people can choose to go to and spend their money that do not impose discriminatory rules on flags and understand that society has moved on and is accepting of all types of people. Please, Huntington Beach, check your calendars and stop this nonsense.

Sincerely,

Bailey Smith

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23(23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: john wacaster <johntwacaster@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 8:58 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Protect the Pride Flag

Dear Council Members, As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here. Sincerely,

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**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Chris Wacaster <cwacaster@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 8:59 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Protect the Pride Flag

Dear Council Members, As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here. Sincerely,

thanks, Chris

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-145)

Moore, Tania

From: Sabrina Cervera <cervera.sabrina@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 10:51 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; CITY COUNCIL
Cc: Burns, Pat
Subject: Pride Flag - An Appeal

Council Members,

I love where I live - the city, the home I share with my wife.

But for as much as I love living in this city, there is no denying that this history of this city is not one filled with inclusivity and/or diversity. I've seen comedians perform within this city constantly joke about its history. It's a running joke...

Not long ago, in sharing with co-workers the cities we all in live in, I had mentioned I lived in Huntington Beach. One co-worker shared a quick disdain for the city – "Nope, I hate city. I try to stay away from HB." This co-worker... is a non-white male.

While neighboring cities continue to chose and welcome the celebration of diverse cultures and promote inclusivity, this city wants to do nothing. And I know, it may sound dumb, you may question 'why is this a big deal? Yeah, it may mean nothing to you, but one flag, one small act of just allowing it to display for 30 days, goes a long way to yet another community that continues to experience hate and acts of violence against.

But as I began, I love this city. It saddens me to continuously see the hate and violence against my community across this country. In my own state, the county I was born and raised in, it saddens me that there's no effort in celebrating the cultures and diversity in the city I live in. It also saddens me that there is still such a huge negative perception of what this city really is and could be.

HB Council Members - I am ultimately, I am a 5'5, female, openly gay, American, Hispanic, homeowning, taxpayer in this city. You ultimately decide what's best, but this move, although small, continues to tarnish this city's name and what it could stand for. HB, you ultimately decide what your 'brand' should be.

I also want to be clear; I have nothing but respect for our military men and women. I have had family members serve for our country. They have fought for our continuous freedom. Ours. Every person in this city.

These conversations are exhausting, and honestly, I'm not even confident that this email/statement will change any of your minds. But 30 days. All we are looking for is 30 days of acceptance from the city we live in.

Thank you for your time.
Sabrina

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23(23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Rex Wilde <rexewilde@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 11:50 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Pride Flag

Dear Council Members,

My name is Rex Wilde. I was born and raised in Huntington Beach. I went to Newland Elementary and Talbert Middle School. I was a part of Junior Life Guards throughout my childhood. And now as an adult enjoy visiting my mother in Huntington Beach and going to the HB Dog Beach with her most weekends.

I am saddened to hear about the vote to ban flying the LGBTQ+ Pride flag and wanted to write to you in support of continuing to allow the LGBTQ+ Pride Flag to fly in Huntington Beach. There is a wealth of research and evidence to show that when LGBTQ+ folks experience support from their governing bodies and systems, how they are benefited psychologically and emotionally, less likely to commit suicide, and lead healthier and happier lives. I hope that the council can see how vital it is to all citizens of Huntington Beach to continue to fly the LGBTQ+ Pride flag.

Thank you for your support and consideration.

Best,

Rex Wilde
Huntington Beach native: 92646

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Donald Miller <henwedge@aim.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 6:53 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Please Fly the Pride Flag!

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Dear Council Members,

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-105)

By now you must know there has been a 83% surge in hate crimes against LGBT in Orange County. What is the council going to do about this? Banning a flag sends a terrible signal. Instead of pandering to religious bigots and losing revenue HB derives from events from surfing to possibly even the Olympics, please let's not perpetuate these culture wars which literally can cause harm. Other cities manage to fly flags without incident. Why is HB any different?

(See stats in this article: <https://www.cbsnews.com/losangeles/news/orange-county-saw-surge-asian-lgbtq-hate-crimes-2021/>)

Also, no one is buying this is "just about a flag." As a way of background let's look at national and international events. Currently on the national level, we see a right-wing Christo-Fascist takeover of our government in slow motion...it's been happening for a while but January 6th made it all obvious how serious they are at attempting a takeover. Anti-gay, anti-abortion, pro-homeschooling...this is how it manifests at the local level. Rohrabacher was Putin's Favorite Congressman for a reason and his minions in HB are still kicking...we must not let them prevail. We are better than this.

On an international level this level of extremism and hate has been boosted by our enemies including Russia. See the March 2019 article excerpt below for context.

"The World Congress of Families (WCF), a notorious anti-LGBTQ group that's reportedly received funding from sanctioned Russian oligarchs, is hosting its annual conference in Verona, Italy next month. And a number of Americans have decided to join them."

"Among the Americans slated to speak at the WCF conference are John Eastman, former clerk for Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas and now a professor at Chapman University, and megachurch pastor Jim Garlow. According to the WCF's roster, they will also be joined by Mike Donnelly, a higher-up at the right-wing Home School Legal Defense Association (HSLDA), and Sean O'Hare, the chairman of one of the most prominent anti-abortion groups aimed at American youth."

"John Eastman has worked closely with WCF head Brian Brown on anti-LGBTQ initiatives in the past, including the National Organization for Marriage."

"Hacked emails list right-wing fundraiser partying with Russian fascists and oligarchs"

"A new database of hacked emails reveals attendance at a 2014 gala in Russia."

"The most notable Russian national appears to be Archpriest Dmitri Smirnov, who once compared LGBTQ people to murderers and bank robbers."

So you see this isn't about a flag. It's about letting Christo-Fascists and Russians win the day. We have to do better! There is nothing holy about discrimination against gays and lesbians. They need to know they are welcome here!

<https://archive.thinkprogress.org/here-are-the-americans-speaking-at-a-hate-group-friendly-with-sanctioned-russian-oligarchs-bb7564932db2/>

Thank you for your consideration.

Sent from my iPad

Moore, Tania

From: Marcia Morrell <morrell967@roadrunner.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 9:24 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Support for Agenda Item 23 - flags on government property

It is a sad sign of the times that activists are taking up CC time about a special interest group flag!!! A City Government should fly the State and American flags first and foremost.

If I, as a deplorable, wish to see my MAGA flag, I do so on my own property!

There are so many more issues before our CC now especially the homeless issue and State mandate for affordable housing. With 500k fleeing CA the 'affordable' housing issue should be moot yet Governor hairspray thinks this is cause of homelessness!

And one more point....this other activist group for RSO.....so they get it on a ballot....what would make someone in HB whose rents have gone up substantially, vote to give mobile home residents a stabilization and I happen to be one of the approximately 7k mobile home residents in HB.

Thank you for your time and efforts cleaning up HB from the past CC

Marcia Morrell
Sent from my iPhone

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Phyllis Bailey <pbaileyhb@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 9:26 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Flag

I believe flying a flag that is not our government flags can be very divisive. If we allow one group's flag to fly on our poles, how can we deny another group from having their flag on our poles?

Thank you for addressing this issue. I realize we are getting a lot of backlash because some folks think it's just about being against gays, but it's not. I'm very much against hanging the gay pride flag, but not because I'm against gays. It's about what belongs on the city government pole. And, I don't think hanging a flag that represents one's sexual preference is it. I wouldn't want to see a flag representing heterosexual preference either.

Phyllis Bailey

Sent from my iPad

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Barbara and Autumn McCall <barbaraandautumn@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 9:36 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Agenda 23 flags on government property

To whom it may concern

My name is Autumn McCall- DiGiovanni, I am a lifelong resident, born and raised in Huntington beach. I strongly disagree with flying any Flags other than the American flag, the state flag, and the City flag at City hall. I have had multiple sclerosis for over 20 years, I've been discriminated against over that time. Disabled persons are a very large marginal group. However, not once have I or anyone in the disabled community demanded a flag to represent us.

The rainbow flag does NOT represent me or anyone in my family or extended family. I actually find it VERY discriminatory. One's sexuality should be private. It is irrelevant, we have discrimination laws enacted to support any real incidents of discrimination.

I demand our city does not raise any flag that is discriminatory to other citizens of HB.

Regards,
Autumn McCall DiGiovanni

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

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Moore, Tania

From: Deb Janus <debjanus@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 10:09 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Support for Agenda Item 23 - Gov't Flags on City Property

Mayor Strickland and Huntington Beach City Council,

I am writing in support of Agenda Item 23 listed on the Meeting Agenda for February 21, 2023. This shows responsible governing and a decision that prevents any exclusion of groups in our citizen community. Flying other special interest flags is divisive and controversial which is not the role of city government.

We are free to display any flags of personal interest to us at our homes or business. The American red, white, & blue is the flag that includes every citizen in Huntington Beach and unites us in all of our causes.

Thank you for your consideration,

Deb Janus
Huntington Beach resident.

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**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

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Moore, Tania

From: Sylvia Calhoun <skc347@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:17 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Agenda item 23

I only want to see American Government flags on Government property. Our country is way too polarized at this time.

Social Justice issues are already covered in the Bill of Rights. However, as a long time Social Justice activist myself, I express my opinions on my own private property.

I do not wish to see Social Justice flags on any Government building the same as I did not enjoy viewing the Confederate flag displayed in the Democrat controlled South when I lived there.

Sylvia Calhoun, Huntington Beach resident for 41 years.

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23(23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Lisa Ferraro <lisaferraro77@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:30 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Against flying the Pride Flag

We should only fly government and country flags in our city.

You can't fly one special interest group flag and not all the others. It becomes endless.

We have way more important matters to be dealing with in our city then causing futher division and flying a special interest group flag.

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Sincerely,
Lisa Ferraro



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**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Dino Ferraro <dinoferraro7@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:45 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Support for Item 23-Govt Flags on City Property

We should stick to government and country flags flying on our city property.

It is extremely divisive to fly one special interest flag and not all the others.

We have way more important things we need to be taking care of in our city. Examples like High Density housing and homelessness.

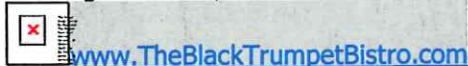
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Sincerely,
Dino Ferraro
Owner/Executive Chef



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7041 Yorktown Ave.
Huntington Beach, CA 92648



**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23(23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:33 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW:

From: Nastasia Nastic (Student HBHS) <nnastic100@student.hbuhd.edu>
Sent: Friday, February 10, 2023 8:39 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject:

Dear City Council Members,
I am Nastasia Nastic a citizen of Huntington Beach and I am writing this email to address one of my grievances regarding the ban of flying the LGBTQ+ pride flag during the month of June which is also known as pride month. I understand that this legislation bans the flying of any other non-governmental flags but I still believe it is wrong. The pride flag does represent America and Huntington Beach. It is a symbol of equality, love, and acceptance and something that could do no harm to our community. This change in which only the pride flag is removed from rotation is in itself evidence of being treated differently, and the intentional removal is discrimination against people who, of which have already been oppressed in voice and body, deserve to be held with the proper humane respect and voice by our community and city. Furthermore, this decision has upset a large number of Huntington Beach citizens. On February 9th, a petition was started to reverse this ban and in just 24 hours, it has reached over 1,100 signatures. This represents the voice of the people and community more than anything. I ask you to reconsider your decision and strive towards creating a city and community that represents inclusivity and acceptance. Thank you for your time and I hope this email sparks a change within our community.

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:33 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Flag Ordinance

From: Rebecca Spongberg <rebeccaspongberg@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 10, 2023 8:59 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Flag Ordinance

Dear City Council Members,

The resolution to update the flag policy that Pat Burns introduced -and that was passed by the majority of the council at the last meeting, is being perceived by myself and other members in the community, as homophobic and regressive. I strongly disagree with his reasoning and I know that I am not alone.

Furthermore it's becoming increasingly clear that Pat Burns, Tony Strickland, Casey McKeon, and Gracey VanDerMark have no interest in serving the community as a whole and will only be pandering to the interests of those who are funding their campaigns (I'm against the campaign contribution raise too, by the way).

Shame on the four of you for eliminating zoom access participation. You should be looking for a ways to increase access for the community, not take it away.

I am acutely aware of the people online (or in your ears), who may want to say that an opinion like this is coming from people outside of the community, or that this is at the behest of some org — but they are wrong. I have lived here for 20 years and have even more family that has lived in this city for their entire lives.

Most everything this new council majority has done so far has been completely self-serving and not in the interest of the community at large.

These decisions will cost the city of Huntington Beach money in lost revenue - in the long and short term, so I hope that will least get your attention.

Sincerely,

Rebecca S.
HB Resident

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-165)

Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:34 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: 🏳️ Mental Health and the Pride Flag

-----Original Message-----

From: Dr Kristy B Scarlett <drkristybscarlett@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 9:38 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: 🏳️ Mental Health and the Pride Flag

Dear HB Councilmembers,

I live in Huntington Beach with my husband and 2 school age kids. I am also a Psychologist in private practice. Mental health struggles are high right now for so many. A main theme I see with my clients who struggle, especially with suicidality, is not feeling a sense of belonging. Sometimes all it takes is one more sign from your community that you do not belong to send a struggling person over the edge. Please do not be a part of a system that contributes to the pain of others. Let's be a part of a system that contributes to the helping hand of humanity. One that says "I got you."

Let's save lives. Bring back the flag. Send messages to the community that let them know they are enough and they too are a part of something.

Feel free to contact me.

Kristy B. Scarlett, Ph. D.
Licensed Clinical Psychologist
PSY 26394
Individuals, Couples, & Family Therapy
Los Alamitos
909.295.3025
Drkristybscarlett@gmail.com

Confidentiality notice: This email may contain privileged or confidential information. If you are not the recipient, please delete the message and any attachments and notify me as soon as possible. Thank you.

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COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-105)

Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:35 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Flags

-----Original Message-----

From: Stan Belitz <belitzs@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 10:53 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Flags

Great to see our HUNTINGTON BEACH City Council has the "Intestinal Fortitude " to stand tall and only fly the U S Flag, the state and city Flag!

God Bless and stay strong!

Stan E Belitz

Sent from my iPad

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Agenda Item No.: #23 (23-1165)

Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:36 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride flag

-----Original Message-----

From: Sheree Novak <hbsheree@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 4:47 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride flag

Thank you for voting to only fly the state, US, and city flag as I believe the US flag represents all in HB.
Thank you
Property owner since 1975
Sheree Novak

Sent from my iPhone

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:37 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride flag

-----Original Message-----

From: Christa Conway <christacolleen86@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 4:56 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride flag

As a resident of HB since 2004 I thank you for bringing to our attention that only 17 California cities fly the pride flag as I thought it was a majority of California. I agree with your decision.

Thank you. Christa
Sent from my iPhone

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:37 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride flags

From: Chelsie Carr <carrchelsie@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 6:15 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride flags

Dear City Council Members,

I lived & worked in HB for years. I worked with the crew who first opened Dukes, began a Senior Pilates program for the city and have been proud to shop & eat in your city. I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. Knowing that a vote went in favor of prejudice makes me want to spend my money elsewhere. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Please consider views like mine in moving forward. I'd like to tell others that HB is inclusive and open minded, but fear I will need to spread the word & ask others not to spend their money in HB either.

Sincerely,
Chelsie Carr

Sent from my iPhone

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:37 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride

From: Rebekah Pinkham <bekahpinkham@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 6:25 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,

Rebekah Pinkham

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:37 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride flag

From: Rebecca Zornes <rebeccazornes@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 6:54 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Hudson (She/Her)

**SUPPLEMENTAL
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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:38 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: FLY THE PRIDE FLAG IN JUNE!

From: Jessi Knox <jessiknox3000@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 9:05 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: FLY THE PRIDE FLAG IN JUNE!

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

-Jessi Knox

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:38 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Huntington Beach Pride

From: Vanessa van Nieuwenhuysen <calledbylove@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 9:08 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Re: Huntington Beach Pride

Dear Huntington Beach City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but am a resident of Orange County and I support an honor inclusivity and the rights of the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, and they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June. Orange County, California and visitors from around the world are watching how Huntington Beach will respond to the LGBTQ+ Community. These are our neighbors, brothers, sisters, nurses, doctors, EMT, family members, lifeguards, restaurant servers, chefs, firefighters, police officers, mail carriers and our children the list goes on. Do the right thing by voting for the upliftment and acceptance of our LGBTQ+ community members. Be on the right side of history by demonstrating through your actions that Huntington Beach is open and accepting to everyone. Please vote to Fly the flag with Pride!

Sincerely,
Vanessa van N

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:38 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Huntington Beach Pride

From: Nicolaas-John van Nieuwenhuysen <vannieuwenhuysen@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 9:14 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Huntington Beach Pride

Dear Huntington Beach City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but am a resident of Orange County and I support an honor inclusivity and the rights of the LGBTQ+ Community.

Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, and they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Orange County, California and visitors from around the world are watching how Huntington Beach will respond to the LGBTQ+ Community. These are our neighbors, brothers, sisters, nurses, doctors, EMT, family members, lifeguards, restaurant servers, chefs, firefighters, police officers, mail carriers and our children the list goes on. Do the right thing by voting for the upliftment and acceptance of our LGBTQ+ community members. Be on the right side of history by demonstrating through your actions that Huntington Beach is open and accepting to everyone. Please vote to Fly the flag with Pride!

Sincerely,

Nicolaas-John van Nieuwenhuysen, MD

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:39 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride flag

From: Erin Mccarthy <quirkyart@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 7:26 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,

Erin McCarthy

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:41 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride flag

-----Original Message-----

From: Carole Free <freecarole@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 8:40 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride flag

I am a HuntingtonBeach resident and I am in favor of the LGBTQ community flag being flown in June. This is for your information, since you will be representing the wishes of the community.

Thank you for considering my wishes for equality in our community.

Mrs. Peter Healy
Huntington Harbor

Sent from my iPhone

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:42 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride flag

From: DruAnn McCluskey <druann1@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 10:52 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Cc: Michelle Dunn-McDermaid <mrsmac@socal.rr.com>; Susie Simmons <hauteliver@gmail.com>
Subject: Pride flag

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns.
You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance.
Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,
DruAnn McCluskey

Sent from my iPhone

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:42 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Support for Pride Flag in June

From: Hunt, Abby <abby.hunt@lgbtqcenteroc.org>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 10:55 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Support for Pride Flag in June

Dear City Council Members,

My name is Abby Hunt and I am the Youth Program Coordinator for the LGBTQ Center OC. I work with youth in schools all over Orange County and I have seen first hand the importance of support and safe spaces for the health and well-being of marginalized youth. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. This is something that I and other members of my community take into account when we consider places we want to visit and live in. I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,

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Abby Hunt (She/Her)
Youth Program Coordinator



T 714-953-5428 xt. 2580

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:43 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride Flag Support

From: Dena Lombardo <dena.lombardo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 11:39 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride Flag Support

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,
Dena Lombardo

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Dena Lombardo
dena.lombardo@gmail.com

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:43 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: In support of pride flag flyng in HB

From: Jackie Budgor <venusdance4@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 11:43 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: In support of pride flag flyng in HB

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach but I grew up in Orange County. We visit family who live in Huntington Beach. I also have 4 kids who are queer and trans. I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June. It is very sad and destructive that a few council members vote against the will of the majority of residents.

Sincerely,
Jackie Budgor

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:43 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Flying the Flag

From: Beachcomberjewelry <maggiemclure2583@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 12:57 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Flying the Flag

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,

Maggie McClure

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

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Agenda Item No.: # 23 (23-1165)

Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:43 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Fly the Pride 🏳️ Flag at City Hall

-----Original Message-----

From: Heather B <gheatherb@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 1:00 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Fly the Pride 🏳️ Flag at City Hall

HB City Council,

You were elected to represent the citizens of Huntington Beach. Many of whom have written the Council asking that the pride flag 🏳️ continue to fly at City Hall. This is an inclusive city and as such we should show it by representing as such. Flying the pride flag would accomplish this. The six branches of the armed forces flags? Not so much. Please continue to consider the value of accepting All in our beachside community. Thank you.

Heather Banker
Huntington Beach Resident

Be Safe!
Sent from my iPhone

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:44 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Huntington Beach PRIDE Flag

From: Sharon Whittaker <sharonmariewhittaker@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 1:48 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Huntington Beach PRIDE Flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,

Sharon Whittaker

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:44 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride

From: Madhu Agarwal <m_chop@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 1:55 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

THANKS!

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:45 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: PRIDE Flag

From: Kelly Marie Martin <kellym43@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 2:02 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: PRIDE Flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,

Kelly Marie Martin
90026

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:45 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Note from HB resident Charles Goldblum

From: Charles Goldblum <chuckgoldblum@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 3:22 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Note from HB resident Charles Goldblum

Dear Council Members,

Huntington Beach has been home to my family for the past 23 years. Wow. Simply wow. I just learned that Pat Burns created the vehicle to ban flying the pride flag which our City has flown for the past few years during pride month that occurs in June. What is even more pathetic, is that you Mr. Burns, attempt to justify your hate and bigotry by suggesting that the pride flag is divisive. Banning the pride flag from our City is the poster act for creating division, and demonstrates the hateful and bigoted fabric of your being.

When Huntington Beach during the 2020 election season received national notoriety for being the meeting place for racist violent white nationalists, my family was so proud to see our City flying the pride flag. This simple act of support to our LGBT friends and family was truly heartwarming, and we were so proud of our City. The action taken by our City Council was hateful, mean spirited, bigoted, and a shameful act. You have demonstrated to the world, that Huntington Beach is not a welcoming town to many of its residents and visitors.

Sadly,

Chuck

Charles Goldblum
1508 Pacific Coast Highway
Huntington Beach, CA 92648
Captain, Southwest Airlines, Inc.
(714) 222-7200
chuckgoldblum@icloud.com

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:46 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: LGBTQ Member

From: Bea Lichodziejewski <feohnuh@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 3:57 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: LGBTQ Member

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Bea

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Bea Lichodziejewski

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:47 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride Flag

From: Dorothy Low <dbandassociates1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 4:44 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride Flag

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,
The Lows
(North Huntington Beach)

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:48 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: LGBTQ+ Flag

From: M McDonald <grandiflora1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 4:52 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: LGBTQ+ Flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I have family who live in Huntington Beach and are part of the LGBTQ+ community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community which includes members of my family. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Melissa McDonald

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:48 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: The importance of the PRIDE Flag

From: Dena Birmingham <denairene@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 5:02 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: The importance of the PRIDE Flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:48 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride Flag

From: ann inman <anneyedoc@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 5:04 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride Flag

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. In a nation of increasing hate crimes and racism towards minorities, Huntington Beach needs to stand apart and support the LGBTQ+ community. Please allow the Pride flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,

Ann Gaylord
Resident of Huntington Beach

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:49 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Please keep PRIDE flag

From: Sadie Johnson <sadie4444@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 6:14 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Please keep PRIDE flag

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Sadie Johnson

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:50 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Flag Flying Ordinance

From: Lisa Williams <lwilliamshb@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 7:21 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Flag Flying Ordinance

Dear Council Members,

As residents of Huntington Beach for almost thirty years, you did not represent our voices when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. The overwhelming majority of emails received by the City Council (almost 85%) voiced support for the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. In addition, almost 90% of those that spoke at the City Council meeting on February 7th were opposed to the new ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns and in favor of flying the PRIDE Flag. We ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ residents, family, and friends and all those who visit and work here.

It was also stated that the new flag flying ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns is an attempt to:

- 1) "Simplify government" -- PLEASE remember that as elected officials, you should never try to simplify and make your job easier at the expense of doing what is right for your constituents, for your City, for your Nation, for the World.
- 2) "All are represented equally under the flag of the United States of America" -- this is simply NOT TRUE. There are millions of Americans every day fighting for their basic human rights and freedoms, like access to healthcare, housing, employment, etc. They face continued harassment and discrimination as well. Therefore, the United States Flag DOES NOT represent all Americans equally. Please remember that many of these marginalized and oppressed Americans live, work, and visit Huntington Beach. So, opportunities to fly "specialty" flags like the PRIDE flag are critical for inclusion, representation, equity, celebration, and acceptance.

Sincerely,

Andrew and Lisa Williams

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:51 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride Flag Removal in HB

From: Renee Wilcox <reneewilcox5@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 10:32 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: RE: Pride Flag Removal in HB

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive, and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I decide where I will spend the day at the beach, where I will go shopping, and where I will go on vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa, and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

I'm not sure who you are trying to appease with the decision to stop flying the PRIDE Flag in June, but it is short-sighted and not good for the businesses or residents of Huntington Beach.

Flying the PRIDE Flag is such a simple way to support inclusivity. I am so disappointed with the City Council of Huntington Beach, that you would take an action that makes people I know and love feel unsafe and unwelcome in your city.

Sincelery,
Juanita Wilcox

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:51 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride Flag

From: Nancy Silver Summit Financial <nancy@silversummitfinancial.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 11:51 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride Flag

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,
Nancy Gahn



Nancy E Gahn

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Huntington Beach, CA 92649



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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:51 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: The Removal of LGBTQ Flag

From: Rogers, Grace <grrogers@chapman.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 12:13 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>; Strickland, Tony <Tony.Strickland@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: The Removal of LGBTQ Flag

Hello Representatives of Huntington Beach,

I write to you with sadness and anger. The people receiving this message are were elected to represent the citizens of Huntington Beach. That means ALL citizens regardless of beliefs, identities and personal preferences.

Pride month is celebrated annually in June to honor the 1969 Stonewall riots, and works to achieve equal justice and equal opportunity for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) Americans. Pride events are about human rights, empowering LGBTQ+ individuals to reclaim the rights and freedoms they are denied, and the public space they often feel excluded from. Visibility is crucial to fighting shame and social stigma, marching in the face of threats and violence. In this case, visibility is simply flying a flag for size weeks.

Flying a Blue Lives Matter flag is a symbol of solidarity and pride to a group of people. Just like the Pride Flag. How is one group considered divisive and one not? These flags shed the same purpose yet one was banned from being flown.

Regardless of political stance or personal opinions, once again you were chosen to represent Huntington Beach. That means representing all the people that come in it wether it is police, LGBTQ individuals and every other person in this city.

I really hope this issue is reconsidered.

Thank you
Grace Rogers

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:57 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride Flag Vote

From: Marilyn Wass <marilyn.wass@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 5:00 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride Flag Vote

Dear Huntington Beach City Council Members:

As a homeowner and long-time resident of Huntington Beach, you most certainly **DID NOT** represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As confirmed by previous emails and other communications from residents, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June.

I respectfully request that at the next City Council meeting you revisit this issue and vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Please vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for its LGBTQ+ residents, including many children, and all those who visit here. It is particularly important for LGBTQ+ youth to feel safe and accepted. I am not a member of the LGBTQ+ community but I am an ally, and want everyone to feel safe in our community.

Respectfully,

Marilyn Wass
16212 Eagle Ln
Huntington Beach, CA 92649
marilyn.wass@icloud.com

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COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:58 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: HB PRIDE Flag

From: Keann Chan <keannchan94@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 7:47 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: HB PRIDE Flag

Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.

Sincerely,

KeAnn Chan

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:58 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride

-----Original Message-----

From: Amanda <littleweed01@littleweed.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 9:46 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride

The City Council's decision to remove the Pride flag from city property is a total embarrassment and will have a negative impact on the city in numerous ways, not the least, financially.
I will certainly not step foot in HB until this decision is overturned.
Sent from my iPhone

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COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:59 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: PRIDE Flag in HB

From: Paige Johnson <paigejohnsonm@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 12:21 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: PRIDE Flag in HB

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,
Paige Johnson
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COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:59 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Banning of Pride Flag

From: David Zimmerman <david.g.zimm@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 11:42 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Banning of Pride Flag

Hello,

My name is David Zimmerman. I live in Irvine, CA, and have many friends in Huntington Beach. As a fellow Orange County resident I urge you to CONTINUE flying the pride flag at City Hall.

The impact of moving backward is far worse when the flag has already been flown. When you take away visibility it encourages others to take the same actions in their personal lives. You will see an uptick in LGBTQ hate crimes in your city by setting this example. As members of the LGBTQ community, we do not ask for much and this is a symbol of equality that has been earned and deserved.

In my own life, I've experienced hate right here in Orange County. I had a total stranger scream 'Faggot!' to me on the beach while minding my own business with my husband. We need leaders that will stand for ALL people in Orange County and not ones that waste precious time on something as innocuous as the pride flag—which is a symbol of love, inclusivity, and progress.

I urge you to listen to the people and hear their stories about how this will affect the community.

Best,
David Zimmerman

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COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:00 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Huntington Beach Pride

From: alex van <alex4vans@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 12:06 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Huntington Beach Pride

Dear Huntington Beach City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but am a resident of Orange County and I support an honor inclusivity and the rights of the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, and they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June. Orange County, California and visitors from around the world are watching how Huntington Beach will respond to the LGBTQ+ Community. These are our neighbors, brothers, sisters, nurses, doctors, EMT, family members, lifeguards, restaurant servers, chefs, firefighters, police officers, mail carriers and our children the list goes on. Do the right thing by voting for the upliftment and acceptance of our LGBTQ+ community members. Be on the right side of history by demonstrating through your actions that Huntington Beach is open and accepting to everyone. Please vote to Fly the flag with Pride!

Sincerely,
Alex van N

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:00 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW:

From: Xabi C <xabi242@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 12:39 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject:

Dear City Council Members, I do not live in Huntington Beach, I support LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go shopping, or where I will go on vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa, and Laguna Niguel, Laguna beach and Southern California. They show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June. What happened to the freedom of speech?

Sincerely,
Shabnam ChamanAra

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:00 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Huntington Beach Flag Decision

From: Godfrey, Katelynn <kgodfrey@chapman.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 1:48 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Huntington Beach Flag Decision

Dear Huntington Beach City Council,

I am writing to you about your recent decision to not fly the LGBTQ+ flag outside of government buildings during the month of June. This decision directly affects and is seen as an attack on LGBTQ+ individuals. As a member of the LGBTQ+ community, it hurts to see a once very accepting city retract this acceptance. Additionally, the decision to continue flying other flags (more than just the State and National flag), reiterates that this is directed at the LGBTQ+ community and not just a decision to stop flying certain flags.

I am asking you to act on this decision and hope that Huntington Beach will allow the LGBTQ+ flag to be flown again. Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter!

-Katelynn Godfrey

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COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:01 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Protect the Pride Flag

From: Chris Wacaster <cwacaster@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 8:58 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Protect the Pride Flag

Dear Council Members, As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here.
Sincerely,

thanks, Chris

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COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:01 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Protect the Pride Flag

From: john wacaster <johntwacaster@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 8:58 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Protect the Pride Flag

Dear Council Members, As a resident of Huntington Beach, you did not represent my voice when you voted to suspend flying the PRIDE Flag and voted in support of the ordinance proposed by Council Member Burns. You were elected to a non-partisan position where you are to represent your constituents' voices. As seen by the emails before, the majority of Huntington Beach residents support the LGBTQ+ community and want the flag to fly during the month of June. I ask that at the next City Council meeting you vote to keep flying the PRIDE flag as a symbol of unity and acceptance. Vote to show that Huntington Beach is an accepting, inclusive and safe city for their LGBTQ+ Residents and all those who visit here. Sincerely,

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john

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:04 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Commemorative Flags

From: Cathey Ryder <the4ryders@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 10:39 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Commemorative Flags

Good morning,

Our city already has a robust flag policy in place that allows for any group that would like to apply to have a commemorative flag for a day, week or month.

Why do we need an ordinance ? In the future, with this ordinance, if a group like the Little League wins the LL World Series or our sister city visits, it would take 3 City Council meetings to get approval. That seems totally unnecessary and quite frankly a bit ridiculous.

We strongly oppose an ordinance to deal with flags.

Don't we have more important issues, like housing insecurity, public safety, streets that need repair and a robust infrastructure maintenance program that should be your focus?

CJ and RM Ryder
Homeowners and Voters in HB since 1985

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Cathey Ryder

" Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence." Helen Keller

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:05 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Special flags bill

From: Pam Kamps <pamkamps@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 11:15 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Special flags bill

Dear City Council,

I am a 40 year resident in my 70's. I find it extremely disturbing that you are even voting to remove special flags from our City Hall and other locations in the city. Especially the Rainbow "pride" flag that we are proud to be flying to show our city is an inclusive city that extends acceptance to all our citizens. This is a sign to all that we are going backwards in any efforts of unity. If this measure passes, I will be embarrassed that I live in such a place.

It is difficult to excuse this sort of behavior in a country that is built on diversity. It speaks volumes of the sort of place we are when we reverse something that stands for love of all humanity.

I hope you will reconsider and vote to continue to flag all past approved flags on our city flagpoles.

Sincerely,
P Kamps
HB Resident

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COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:06 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride Flag

From: Brenda Hart <brenhart@me.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 4:31 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride Flag

Dear City Council Members,

I do not live in Huntington Beach, but I support inclusivity and the LGBTQ+ Community. Voting to pass an ordinance that would ban the flying of the PRIDE Flag shows that Huntington Beach is not an accepting, inclusive and safe city for the LGBTQ+ community. When I make the decision where I will go to spend the day at the beach, where I will go to shop, where I will go to vacation, I look for cities that value equality, such as Long Beach, Costa Mesa and Laguna Niguel. Those cities are just as easy for me to go to, AND they show that they value the LGBTQ+ members of their city, unlike Huntington Beach, by flying the PRIDE flag in June.

Sincerely,

Brenda Hart

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:08 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride flag

-----Original Message-----

From: Charles Breneman <cbreneman@hbuhsd.edu>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 7:45 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride flag

I urge you to not vote against flying the Pride flag during pride month. This city is known for being a safe haven of bigotry. Taking this step would solidify that public perception.

Sent from my iPhone

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:08 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride flag

-----Original Message-----

From: Pat DeRush <patndav@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 8:08 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride flag

As a long time resident, I encourage this council to allow flying the Pride flag during Pride month. Please show that we are NOT an intolerant city, but rather an inclusive one.

Thank you
Pat DeRush

Sent from my iPad

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COMMUNICATION**

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:09 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Flags

From: Mark Bumiller <mbumiller@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 4:37 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Flags

Greetings,

Please reconsider the proposal to limit the flags that can be flown on city property. This move is clearly about the silly culture wars that are dividing our town and country. We play into China's and Russia's hands and goals if we continue to focus on division rather than unity. Nothing could be more un-American than to exclude rather than include our fellow citizens, especially those who often struggle to gain basic acceptance. This move would continue the decline in our lovely city's reputation that suffered so much during the Tito Ortiz fiascos. Hatred and intolerance are never the answer to how to live together in peace.

Sincerely,
Mark Bumiller
Huntington Beach, CA

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:12 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Pride Flag

From: Jonathan Tamayo <jtamayo85@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 10:09 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Pride Flag

Dead HB City Council,

I have been an HB resident all my life and cannot be more appalled at your attempt to forbid the pride flag. It demonstrates your ignorance, lack of empathy, and pure cruelty to silence members of your own community. As a gay man, it makes me feel like my leaders don't see me or respect me as a human being.

HB residents did not vote for you to play culture wars and invalidate the existence of an entire community, some of which voted for you. Also, the city has received national bad press that leaves a negative impression of Huntington Beach and is embarrassing to those who live here.

You are better than this. We are better than this. Please reconsider this move and stop taking Huntington Beach backwards.

Sincerely,
Jonathan Tamayo
6572 Edgemont Dr
Huntington Beach CA 92647.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:13 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Tuesdays Agenda Item #23 Flags on City Property.

From: larry mcneely <lmwater@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 10:39 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Tuesdays Agenda Item #23 Flags on City Property.

As we have seen with the news coverage and the cattle calls on this agenda it has caused a lot of division on this issue, exactly what this agenda item was designed to avoid. At the last city council meeting we saw an outpouring of Out-Of -Community support and emails from people who do not reside in our community. There were two polls on our Local Community Forums on if we should only fly our American Flag, State Flag, and City Flag only or Should we fly the Pride Flag or any other Special Interests Flags on our city properties, the results of these polls from the people who reside in our community was 90% opposed to flying any other flags including the Pride Flag. We allow anyone to speak on the issue but because of all the out-of-community speakers and emails, this effort has been skewed by outside influences from people who are not affected and do not live in our community.

Our city of HB now has the resources through its social media efforts and our ability to communicate with the HB community, I feel that our city council should direct our staff to design and conduct a poll that reaches people in our community to ask them what flags should be allowed on our public property, as we know many from out of our community will show up to speak during public comments and send their Cut-and Paste emails inspired by some of our city council members who for Political Party reasons will put out the Cattle Call to all in their political party out of our community people to speak on the issue to Skew the conversation. This is why we need to limit the outside political party influences that an HB City Poll would avoid, This is necessary and directed at those who reside in our community, this poll should be done this coming Weekend through Monday and Tuesday before the city council meeting where we will see an on-slot of media and out-of-community speakers and their copy-and-paste emails.

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:13 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Flag policies

-----Original Message-----

From: Tinycraftschick Anon <umbilicalcord@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:02 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Flag policies

The proposed rule regarding flag policies is most disappointing. A change in rules is not necessary at all. Huntington Beach keeps getting bad press and people are already not coming, or spending money here. I'm disgusted at the direction the new city council members are dragging this community. Their goal is hate and waste (of our taxpayer dollars) for some media attention. Pathetic!

-Mireille Chabot
Sent from my iPhone

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Moore, Tania

From: Pat Garcia <Pat@escrow.net>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 11:57 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Support for Agenda Item 23 - Gov't Flags on City Property

Dear Huntington Beach City Council;

For consistency I ask that you amend **Agenda Item 23, Ordinance NO. 4283**. To remove the LGBTQ+ pride flag from being flown on city property the city should have also removed the POW/MIA flag to attain a neutral stance by the city and the by the City Council. If one non-government flag is allowed, you then must consider all others. If no non-government flag is allowed the rules are clear and no contenders need to be considered.

My wife and I have owned and operated the Huntington Beach company listed below since 1990 (33 Years) and have lived in Huntington Beach for over 35 years.

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Moore, Tania

From: Ted Ross <tedross_0077@msn.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:40 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Cc: Barb Haynes; Doug Evans; Mario & Mary Ayon; Mary & Richard Satterfield; Cindy Stanton; Tom Wolf; Kristin Johnson; Susan McClaren; Lucy Hickey
Subject: Support for Agenda Item 23; City Council/Public Financing Authority on 02-21-2023 - Gov't Flags on City Property

Members of the Huntington Beach Council & Staff members,

It is time to provide a counter-balance view of HB resident opinion to "the partisan crowd that appeared at the last HB CC Meeting" and show our support for this bold and courageous agenda item.

1. I am a 37 year resident of Huntington Beach, so I speak with some knowledge about the "the Surf City" we've come to love.
2. It is not only good policy but good governance to only display the flags of our country, state, Armed Services of the United States, and the POW/MIA.
3. Flying other special interest flags is not only bending toward divisiveness of our wonderful inclusive community but promotes possible controversy which is not the role of city government.
4. It is time we focus on the major issues and responsibilities of local government: Public Safety, Irresponsible High-Density Development, Homeless/Transient issues, Sober Homes Issues and not just led around by the hand by all the loud, woke and divisive activists that seem to pander for a progressive agenda.
5. Agenda item 23 is a responsible action and **does not limit** any group from displaying any personal flag of choice at their own home, Activist meeting locations, or businesses

I strongly indorse this proposed ordinance for the city of Huntington Beach

Ted Ross
Huntington Beach Resident

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Moore, Tania

From: Michael Arnell <slowcookerarnell@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 1:54 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Support for Agenda Item 23 - Gov't Flags on City Property

Dear City Council,

As a proud resident of Huntington beach for over 43 years, I firmly believe any and all Huntington Beach City buildings/properties, schools etc should only fly The American Flag, The California State Flag and a City of HB Flag. I have no objections to flying the MIA flag or Support Police Flags.

However, I strongly disagree with flying the LGBTQ+ pride flag during June, or any other month. If any HB **resident** wants to fly that flag on their own property I would have no objection at all, but not on any City property. Personal choice should be kept off of any City owned property.

Our City Council has far more **really important matters** to discuss and deal with, without a gay pride flag being one of them. I am proud of the Flags you currently fly, but I am very displeased when a gay pride flag was raised below our true patriot flags last year.

Sincerely,

Michael Arnell.

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Moore, Tania

From: debb clay <debbeclay@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 2:35 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Support for Agenda item 23

Dear City Council-

Our city should not cave in to special interests demanding that our city fly their special interest flags. The flags of our city ,state, and country simply states our geographical location.

It does not state support for one group or another.

Anyone who wishes to support their own cause is free to fly their flag on their own property.

There are a veritable plethora of causes (flags) and our City Council is not obligated or should be obligated to bow to any of them, for once you do, you MUST then do the same for all who claim they have a cause.

This is just common sense and simplifies this discussion.

Sincerely,

Bill and Debb Clay (yes we are homeowners in Huntington lBeach, not outsiders who are being paid to flood City Council with support for their special interest group)

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Moore, Tania

From: Steve Amundson <samundson001@socal.rr.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 3:22 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Agenda Item #23

I have been a resident of Huntington Beach for over 45 years. I am writing to express my support for Agenda Item #23, Government Flags on City Property. Identity politics have no place in our city. We are one people with liberty and justice for all.

Our City Council members should not be spending their valuable time on which flags should fly as they have much more important issues to insure the safety and unity of our city members. This would include issues such as crime, solving the homeless issue, keeping fentanyl and other drugs off the street and coming up with a reasonable solution to the HDD issue.

Fly your identity flags on your own property and not on city government buildings.

Sincerely,
Steve Amundson
Veteran and American Patriot

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Moore, Tania

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 3:59 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Flag Policy

From: becky srh <beckysrh@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 3:56 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Flag Policy

Dear City of Huntington Beach,

Please do not eliminate the flying of all non-government and non-military flags on city property. Our city is more than just government and military friendly. We are humans with interests outside of these two categories. Our community supports humans and other entities, and our city should reflect that.

Fondly,

Stephanie Graney

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From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 3:54 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Agenda item 23 oppose removal of the Pride Flag

From: cjboardman09 <connieb07@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 12:32 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Agenda item 23 oppose removal of the Pride Flag

Hello Council Members and Mayor Strickland,
I am writing in opposition to Item 23, the ordinance that would prevent the city from flying the Pride flag. This ordinance would also take away the City Council's current ability to vote at a public meeting to decide what commemorative flags will fly from city facilities.

Why would any of you want to take away the right of an elected body to vote on an issue that is obviously of a great deal of interest and importance to your constituents? Issues such as whether or not to fly the Pride flag from city facilities are exactly the kind of issue the council should vote on. The residents of Huntington Beach deserve to know your stand on a host of issues, controversial or not.

The agenda item that appeared at the last meeting directing staff to draft an ordinance has generated nationwide negative publicity for the city. Rather than appearing as a welcoming place for LGBTQ+ residents and visitors, the city now looks like one of intolerance and bigotry. You can somewhat mitigate the impact of this negative publicity on our city by voting to reject this ordinance.

Please retain your right as elected officials in Huntington Beach to vote on what kind of flags are flown from city facilities, and oppose this agenda item.

Thank you,
Connie Boardman

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