



**CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 28J BOARD OF
EDUCATION**

RESOLUTION NO. 2025.26.0009

WHEREAS, each year the month of June is recognized as Pride Month, serving as an opportunity to celebrate the narratives, identities, and contributions of those within the LGBTQ+ community; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ is a term that encompasses multiple gender identities and sexual orientations, including Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Two-Spirit, Pansexual, Asexual, Genderfluid, Nonbinary, and Intersex; and

WHEREAS, the history of Pride Month honors the 1969 Stonewall riots, which served as a catalyst for the gay rights movement in the United States; and

WHEREAS, our District values the diverse identities, experiences, and perspectives of our students, staff, and families, and recognizes that these contributions strengthen our schools and our community; and

WHEREAS, our students and staff have the right to learn and work in environments that respect and affirm their gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that the LGBTQ+ community has faced and continues to face systemic barriers to safety, equity, and inclusion, and endures disproportionately high rates of violence and discrimination; and

WHEREAS, national data shows that LGBTQ+ students report higher rates of experiencing bullying, harassment, and discrimination at school; and

WHEREAS, access to affirming and supportive school environments substantially improves the mental health and school engagement of LGBTQ+ students; and

WHEREAS, Centennial School District Board policy prohibits discrimination and harassment based on the perceived or actual sexual orientation, gender identity, and other protected classes, and commits to creating inclusive learning and working environments;

AND WHEREAS, our District remains committed to fostering a culture of inclusion, safety, and belonging for all students, staff, and families.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Board of Directors for the Centennial School District, hereby recognize June 1 through June 30, 2026 as Pride Month, and encourage staff, students, and the community to engage in meaningful learning about the accomplishments and experiences of the LGBTQ+ community.

Signed: _____
Pam Shields Board Chair

Date: _____