

STATE OF VERMONT  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights recognizes that the inherent dignity and equal and inalienable rights of all people is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace; and

WHEREAS, whereas the Stonewall Rebellion of June 1969 is considered the birth of the modern gay and lesbian rights movement; and

WHEREAS, despite the progress in the past 25 years, gay, lesbian, bisexual, drag and transgender people are still bashed, tortured, outlawed, murdered, and are the subject of referenda around the globe; and

WHEREAS, lack of leadership in the fight against AIDS is still killing people world-wide; and

WHEREAS, June marks the 25th anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion with a global celebration of lesbian, gay, bisexual, drag and transgender pride and protest; and

WHEREAS, the centerpiece of that anniversary is an International March on the United Nations to affirm the human rights of lesbian and gay people; and

WHEREAS, out commemoration of these events underscores our determination to support, preserve and advance the civil rights guaranteed for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Howard Dean, Governor, do hereby proclaim June 1994 as the month of

STONEWALL 25

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 1994.



Howard Dean, M.D.  
Governor

By the Governor:

Kathleen C. Hoyt  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs