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Subject: Pride Progress Flag for Bob Hart Square

I am in favor of having the Pride Progress Flag at Bob Hart Square.

Having the Pride Progress Flag flown at Bob Hart Square represents the diversity and inclusion of the LGBTQIA+ community in Merced. The

LGBTQIA+ community is a part of our community and they are family,

friends, neighbors, colleagues, and acquaintances and to have the Pride Progress Flag flown at Bob Hart Square would make Merced an inclusive, diverse, multicultural and tolerant place to live. It will also boost confidence and empower LGBTQIA+ members of the community to know that they are a part of Merced and that they deserve to live with equality, peace, dignity, and pride. Also, having the Pride Progress Flag flown also means standing up against bigotry and hatred because bigotry, racism, hatred, homophobia, transphobia, and prejudice should have no place in Merced or everywhere in Merced County and the rest of California, the United States, and the world. I urge everyone at City Council to vote YES to have the Pride Progress Flag to be flown at Bob Hart Square because an inclusive and diverse Merced is a stronger and equal Merced for everyone.

Ramon Rodriguez of Turlock, CA

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