

**NEW JERSEY COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS
RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL LGBTI HISTORY MONTH**

RESOLUTION OF OCTOBER 9, 2007

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey is the home of people of all backgrounds, including gender identities, gender expressions, and sexual orientations; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey takes great pride in its diversity, including the diversity of its sexual minorities; and

WHEREAS, the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and intersexed community comprise nearly 700,000 New Jerseyans and they all play a uniquely important role in our State's diversity; and contributes to our economy; and

WHEREAS, National Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Intersexed History Month commemorates the first two gay and lesbian marches on Washington in October 1979 and October 1987; and

WHEREAS, Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Intersexed History Month not only serves as a time to study gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender history, but to provide an opportunity to celebrate the contributions of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and intersexed people to world history, and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Civil Rights serves all the people of New Jersey, including sexual minorities; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we pay tribute to the valuable contributions made by our lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community through civic celebration and formal recognition of these rights and privileges;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the New Jersey Commission on Civil Rights, that we hereby officially recognize October 2007 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersexed History Month for the Division on Civil Rights.