

# *Proclamation*

## **Fierté Simcoe Pride Weeks**

**July 29 – August 11, 2024**

**WHEREAS** This marks the thirteenth annual Fierté Simcoe Pride, and its purpose is to create a safe and inclusive Simcoe County that supports gender and sexual diversity through services, activities and events; and

**WHEREAS** The Intersex Progress Pride flag is raised to honour gender and sexual diversity in Simcoe County. Valentino Vecchietti designed the Intersex Progress Pride flag in the UK in 2021. The flag is a combination of Gilbert Baker's 1978 Pride flag, Daniel Quasar's 2018 Progress Pride flag, and Morgan Carpenter's 2013 Intersex flag. The flag is a symbol of the Pride movement and the advancement of human rights for sexual orientation, gender identity, expression, sex characteristics; and

**WHEREAS** Fierté Simcoe Pride was formed on May 13, 2012, and its mission is "to create and offer inclusive events, services, and educational opportunities that rise above heterosexism, heteronormativity and homo/bi/transphobia, promoting safe communities within Simcoe County"; and

**WHEREAS** Fierté Simcoe Pride is filled with numerous events and activities that focus on education, awareness, community development, creative expression and fun for the whole family. Please visit [www.fiertesimcoepride.com](http://www.fiertesimcoepride.com) to learn more about FSP and its activities.

**THEREFORE**, I, Mayor Brian Smith, on behalf of the Council of Wasaga Beach, do hereby proclaim July 29 – August 11, 2024 as "Fierté Simcoe Pride Weeks" in the Town of Wasaga Beach.



**BRIAN SMITH**  
MAYOR

