

April 26, 2024

Elgin County 450 Sunset Drive St. Thomas, ON N5R 5V1

To the members of the Elgin County Council,

I am writing on behalf of Elgin County Pride to request a flag raising at the Elgin County building on Tuesday August 6, 2024 at 10:00am to kick off Pride Week 2024. We would also request that Elgin County Council Members attend the flag raising and read a proclamation. The Elgin County Pride committee is a community led group that advocates, plans and promotes events for Rainbow education, awareness and acceptance.

We are requesting that the Pride flag be raised to show support for the Rainbow community. It is important for the Pride flag to be raised to recognize that diversity is vital and helps to strengthen our community. We should never feel that we must hide who we are at work, school or within our families and community and by raising the flag, we are hoping to show the commitment we have to providing safe and welcoming places that help to improving the quality of life for everyone in our community.

Elgin County Pride will be hosting a number of events throughout the week of Pride that are open to people who identify in the 2SLGBTQAI+ community as well as Ally's.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 519-859-9267 or at mscanlon@live.ca.

Sincerely,

Maggie Scanlon

Member of Elgin County Pride