

#RESISTMARCH TO TAKE PLACE AT 8AM SUNDAY, JUNE 11 BEGINNING AT HOLLYWOOD AND HIGHLAND IN LOS ANGELES

March will begin in Hollywood with a brief opening ceremony speaker program including a tribute to the one year anniversary of the Orlando massacre and will finish in West Hollywood with a rally featuring speakers including the U.S. Congressional Delegation.

June 8, 2017 (Los Angeles) – On Sunday, June 11, the #ResistMarch will bring together people from all walks of life for a peaceful protest march that will begin at the intersection of Hollywood Blvd. & Highland Ave. in Los Angeles and conclude at the intersection of Santa Monica Blvd. & La Peer Dr. in West Hollywood. Instead of a Pride Parade celebrating the past progress of the LGBTQ+ community, the #ResistMarch will be a gathering to ensure the community's future.

"This year the LGBTQ+ community is lending its iconic rainbow flag to anyone who feels their rights are at risk and to everyone who believes that America's strength is its diversity." said Brian Pendleton, Founder of #ResistMarch. "When they come for one of us, they come for all of us. Which is why we our diverse intersectional community must unite as one."

This intersectional diversity is reflected in the wide array of over 100 partner organizations that have committed their support to the #ResistMarch, including GLAAD, Planned Parenthood, Black Lives Matters, ACLU, Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, the Human Rights Campaign, APLA, Bienestar, the City of West Hollywood, among others.

"GLAAD is proud to support the #ResistMarch on June 11th. In a time when LGBTQ people are being erased, it is now more important than ever that we stand in solidarity," said Sarah Kate Ellis, President & CEO of GLAAD.

Sue Dunlop, President & CEO of Planned Parenthood Los Angeles, noted, "On June 11th, we will join the #ResistMarch in support of fundamental civil and human rights for all people, everywhere."

John D'Amico, Councilmember proclaimed "The shoulders we stand on are broad and strong. And have carried us here. The #ResistMarch is showing up for yourself and your rights. The #ResistMarch is peace and protest and pleasure and passion and people. The #ResistMarch is authentic. The #ResistMarch is who we are."

#ResistMarch organizers have prepared a brief opening ceremony with speakers in Hollywood and at the end of the march route, marchers will rally with speaker program and entertainment. Speakers include: U.S. House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi, U.S. Congressman Adam Schiff, U.S. Congresswoman Maxine Waters, U.S. Congressman Ted Lieu, California, Los Angeles Councilman Mitch O'Farrell, Los Angeles Councilman David Ryu, West Hollywood Mayor John Heilman, Trans Activist Bamby Salcedo, AIDS Activist Phil Wilson, #ResistMarch Founder Brian Pendleton, HRC President Chad Griffin, Haim, Margaret Cho, RuPaul, Adam Lambert, Jussie Smollett, Cheyenne Jackson, The Gay Men's Chorus Of Los Angeles, The Trans Chorus of Los Angeles, America Ferrera, Black Lives Matter's Dr. Melina Abdullah, NALEO National Chairman John Duran, Planned Parenthood's Sue Dunlop, Los Angeles LGBT Center's Lorri Jean, Women's March L.A. Founder Emi Guereca and more.

About #ResistMarch

We are calling on everyone to peacefully march with us on June 11th from Hollywood and Highland to West Hollywood. Instead of a Pride Parade meant to celebrate our past progress, we are going to march to ensure all our futures. Just as we did in 1970's first LGBTQ+ Pride, we are going to march in unity with those who believe that America's strength is its diversity. Not just LGBTQ+ people but all Americans and dreamers will be wrapped in the Rainbow Flag and our unique, diverse, intersectional voices will come together in one harmonized proclamation. We #Resist the efforts to divide us! More information about the #ResistMarch can be found at www.resistmarch.org.

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