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## Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month

### “Celebration!”

During Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month, the U.S. Army celebrates the diversity of those brave enough to answer the call to serve as Soldiers and Civilians. Throughout our Army’s 241-year history, these dedicated Americans have made and continue to make immeasurable contributions to the defense of the Nation.

Every generation of Americans brings our Army closer to fulfilling the promise of equality in the ranks. During LGBT Pride Month, we celebrate these Soldiers and Civilians and their dedicated service. We are a better Army when we recruit, retain, and integrate the best talent America has to offer. We embrace different backgrounds, experiences, and struggles as a source of strength, knowing that our common Army Values are the characteristics that matter most.

We will continue to work to ensure that our Army reflects our values, fostering a diverse and inclusive Army that is ready to accomplish the mission. This will help America’s Army remain the finest fighting force in the history of the world. Army Strong!

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