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"Married with Pride" Wedding Event Hosted by Keene Pride September 18

(Keene NH) Members of the LGBTQ+ community are invited to marry in a public wedding ceremony in downtown Keene, New Hampshire on Sunday, September 18. The nuptials will take place during Keene Pride's inaugural Pride block party at 1pm at the gazebo in Central Square. Miss Ginger Soulless, an ordained minister, will conduct the ceremonies.

A national environment of urgency and worry compels Keene Pride to bring visibility to the hard-earned civil rights of the LGBTQ+ community. Adam Toepfer, Keene Pride President, encourages couples to say I Do while they still can. "Given the Supreme Court's recent threat to the legality of same-sex marriages, now is the time to honor love and tie the knot while being celebrated by hundreds of well-wishers."

Couples who wish to be legally married must visit www.keenepride.org/marriedwithpride and complete the application by Friday, September 16. There is no limit to the number of couples who can participate. Pre-registered persons should arrive at 12:30 on Sunday, September 18 and gather on Central Square in front of the Chamber of Commerce office (next to the Pour House) to check-in. A drawing will be held for one lucky couple who will receive a gift package to commemorate the day.

The mission of Keene Pride is to promote the visibility of LGBTQ+ people in the Monadnock Region and build a coalition of services, organizations and businesses that embrace and serve the LGBTQ+ population. To contact Keene Pride, please email general@keenepride.com. Upcoming event information can be found at www.keenepride.org.

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