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New York June 28: Queer Liberation March for Black Lives and Against Police Brutality

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Sunday, June 28, 2020 at 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM EDT

Foley Square

On Sunday, June 28th, at 1pm, the Reclaim Pride Coalition will be in the streets of Manhattan for our second annual Queer Liberation March — the Queer Liberation March for Black Lives and Against Police Brutality. Marchers will gather at 12:45pm at Foley Square on Centre St and step off at 1pm sharp.

Marchers are asked to wear face masks to protect against COVID-19 and to maintain safe distancing. Reclaim Pride will provide masks, hand sanitizer and water to those who need them. And Reclaim Pride will livestream the March online at @queermarch on FB and Twitter/Periscope and via Youtube live on reclaimpridenyc.org for those who can't attend in person. This March, like all current protest Marches, does not have a City/NYPD permit.

Horried by the police murders of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Tony McDade, Layleen Polanco, Rayshard Brooks and untold numbers of others, mourning the endless violent deaths of Black trans women and men like Dominique “Rem’mie” Fells and Riah Milton, and inspired by the historic, Black-led protest movement that has taken to the streets here in NYC and across the world, Reclaim Pride supports demands for immediate defunding, dismantling, disarming and reimagining of police forces.

We join with abolitionists such as Mariambe Kaba and others in several cities in demanding a fifty percent reduction in the NYPD budget with a fifty percent reduction in the police force. Those funds must be dedicated to services including housing, healthcare, education and reparative and restorative justice for Black and Brown communities. We must prioritize reparations for those who’ve been oppressed and murdered for hundreds of years.

While all Black people are at constant risk of police brutality and murder, we as queer and trans activists recognize that Black Trans, Gender Non-Conforming, and

Non Binary people, especially Black Trans Women, are faced with the intersection of vicious state and societal racism, transphobia, misogyny, and classism. This must stop now.

For our complete statement of purpose, go here: <https://reclaimpridenyc.org/>

The March will be wheelchair accessible, and the livestream will have accommodations for deaf and hearing impaired viewers. For other questions about accessibility, contact access@reclaimpridenyc.org.

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