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Statement from San Francisco Pride on the Passing of Soni Wolf, Community Grand Marshal

San Francisco, CA – San Francisco Pride joins the community in celebrating the contributions of Soni Wolf, a founding member of Dykes on Bikes and a Community Grand Marshal for the 2018 LGBT Pride Parade. Dykes on Bikes announced today that Wolf died peacefully on April 25th, at the age of 69, of natural causes.

San Francisco Pride mourns the passing of one of our sisters, Soni Wolf. Soni was a fierce advocate for Dykes on Bikes and we admire the passion that Soni brought to her lifelong work. Dykes on Bikes have inspired generations around the globe, and they continue to bring joy to hundreds of thousands of spectators each year on Market Street.

Soni challenged us all to be a little braver, to live as loud as the motorcycles that lead the Pride Parade every year. Soni embodied the ethos of Pride – celebrating our unique San Francisco culture, and educating society about our amazing contributions.

“Soni was chosen to be one of our Community Grand Marshals in this year’s Parade, and we look forward to celebrating her life by continuing the tradition she was so instrumental in establishing over 40 years ago,” said Executive Director George F. Ridgely, Jr. “Soni was an integral member of the San Francisco Pride family, and she will be missed.”

Dykes on Bikes will lead the procession of over 250 contingents, including community groups, affinity organizations, city agencies, local businesses, and corporate groups, down Market Street, on Sunday June 24th. Crowds estimated at 100,000 will be on hand to cheer on 50,000+ marchers, as well as dozens of floats.

A [statement from Dykes on Bikes](#) pronounced, “Soni will be represented in this year’s SF Pride by her closest friends carrying the historic and beautifully painted gas tank from the motorcycle Soni rode in the first Dykes on Bikes contingent in San Francisco.”

EVENT CALENDAR

San Francisco LGBT Pride Celebration and Parade
Generations of Strength | June 23-24, 2018

Celebration/Rally

Civic Center Plaza Park
Saturday, June 23, 12:00 N to 6:00 PM
Sunday, June 24, 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Parade/March

Along Market Street, from Beale to 8th Street
Sunday, June 24, beginning at 10:30 AM

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