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***Mayor Fulop, LGBT Community Leaders To Launch Jersey City's
15th Annual Pride Week Festival With Press Conference and Flag
Raising at City Hall***

What: Jersey City Mayor Steven Fulop and organizers of the Jersey City LGBT Pride Festival will give remarks addressing the issues facing Jersey City's LGBT community. This will be followed by a formal flag-raising and kickoff ceremony to start the annual Jersey City Pride Week. Mayor Fulop will discuss the steps he has taken to ensure that the LGBT community has a strong voice in his administration and that the community's issues continue to be addressed. This includes receiving a perfect score two years in a row from the Human Rights Campaign's Municipal Equality Index, reflecting Jersey City's status as the most LGBT-friendly city in the entire state. Moreover, Jersey City was the first city in New Jersey to perform a same-sex wedding ceremony in 2013 when marriage equality became state law. This year's Pride celebration marks the 15th anniversary of the festival, and the first since the US Supreme Court made marriage equality the law of the land across the country.

When: Friday, August 21, 2015 at 2:30 p.m.

Where: Council Chambers, City Hall, 280 Grove St.

Who: Jersey City Mayor Steven M. Fulop
Jersey City Municipal Council members
LGBT Pride organizers Eduardo Baez and Michael Billy
Members of the community

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