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Mayor Bud Clark Portland City Council City Hall 1220 Southwest 5th Ave Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mayor Clark,

Thank you for your strong support of the Civil Rights Ordinance, and thank you for your sponsorship of this ordinance.

It is extremely encouraging to know that we all agree that protection of the civil rights of all Portlanders is one of the highest priorities for the future of Portland.

Your courage in stating your convictions clearly and forcefully is greatly appreciated.

Thankyou!

Sincerely,

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DATE:30 SEPTEMBER 91TO:THE PORTLAND CITY COUNCILFROM:STEVE FOSLER<br/>2308 NW LOVEJOY ST / PORTLAND 97210RE:ADOPTION OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ORDINANCE

TEXT OF TESTIMONY PRESENTED 25 SEPTEMBER 91:

I have appeared here before. Sometimes on transportation issues, other times on design issues, sometimes on neighborhood issues, other times on planning issues

I have worked with you on planning for the future of this city, and have worked especially on neighborhood issues, cultural issues, regional growth issues, and diversity.

Today I am here -- as a gay individual .

And as a person who believes that the adoption and enforcement of this ordinance is essential to the future of Portland .

I have been pleased to be among the 200 people who have worked on the Portland Future Focus Strategic Plan, and have served as a Policy Committee member and as a member of the Task Group on Diversity. During this time and also when I was president of my neighborhood association, and also as an ordinary citizen,

I have found that most Portlanders already put into practice all of the principles that this ordinance protects.

That principle is this: that all people should be treated fairly, and that all people should be protected from being treated unfairly.

Even when I've been apparently the only gay person in the group, I have not been the only person speaking out in support of gay people. Even when working among apparently conservative business people or among people with concerns more important to them personally, I have found willing support for the principles defined by this ordinance.

When I moved to Portland twelve years ago I was struck by the spirit of this City, the spirit of celebration, the spirit of creativity, the spirit of the exchange of ideas, the spirit of excitement, growth, hope for the future . . . . and the spirit of diversity.

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But even more notable was the fact that the best qualities of Portland are not naturally-occuring. They are qualities that are the direct result of aggressive civic energy by a lot of people working together. Great things don't just happen in Portland. The best qualities of Portland have developed because people here make great things happen. The Portland Future Focus Report clearly states the action items that are required to carry this city into a positive future. The Diversity Action Items are vital to this future. Each Diversity Action item is necessary if we are to be a leader among cities in the future.**and f**ach Diversity Action Item must be undertaken if we are to become a city which treats all of its citizens fairly, and which protects each of its citizens from being treated unfairly.

Also notable is the fact that the neighborhood associations of Portland have already adopted language similar to this ordinance, and neighborhood associations in this city have long held the principles of this ordinance in their daily citizen-based work. The Standard and Guidelines adopted two years ago underscore this on-going commitment to civil rights for all citizens and the support for this ordinance among neighborhood associations and district coalitions is very strong.

What that support comes down to this:

that each citizen of Portland must become responsible for developing and maintaining a unique and open society which is supportive of all of its citizens.

Diversity is not a buzz word; it's not a code word. In Portland it means something definite. In fact, it is defined so there will be no doubt. One of the things that sets different cities apart is found in each city's definition of diversity. When we talk about 'all of Portland's citizens', It would be great if 'all' really meant all. But it doesn't -- yet! For now, we need to spell it out. Our goal is that someday 'all' will mean ALL. And this ordinance goes a long way toward making that goal into a reality.

The innovations of the recent past that have made Portland a unique city have been in the areas of planning, parks, transit, and livability. These areas will continue to be vital ones.

But the innovations that will make Portland a unique city in <u>this</u> decade, and which will require even more civic energy from each of us, will be <u>civil rights issues</u>.

This Civil Rights Ordinance is a great start to this on-going effort!

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OTHER NOTES:

Portland is a big city. It is the center of the 25th largest urban area in the US. And if we look at the largest cities in the country we begin to see what makes one city different from another. The best city is not the one with the best architecture, the finest parks; it is not the most picturesque, the oldest or the youngest. The measure of a great city is in how it respects its citizens, and more importantly, how its citizens treat each other. This is hard to measure, but we know that we have a lot of work to do.

From Portland Future Focus: "Portland will be an open and friendly community. Its citizens will live in harmony and are free from bigotry and intimidation. The community will welcome, respect, and celebrate the individuality, unique talents and contributions of all people regardless of age, race, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, physical or mental ability or financial means.

"Portland will be a community of citizens who thrive in an environment of creative exchange of ideas and of innovative cultural opportunities, and who strive to expand their understanding of the diverse members of the community. Portland will develop a culture rich with an international, pluralistic atmosphere and will celebrate both the similarities and differences among its citizens."

As this city continues to grow we will need to attract people who appreciate the benefits of diversity, who understand the qualities of a diverse community, and who will work with us to celebrate diversity.

Many of us look to Vancouver, BC as the model of a diverse and successful urban center. But despite its setting, its stature, its international orientation, its diversity of resident and immigrant cultures, Vancouver is rife with intolerance, bigotry and intimidation. Portland has a lot in common with Vancouver BC, and a lot to learn from that city. The most important lesson is that a city that is cosmopolitan, international and pluralistic is not automatically a city that values and celebrates diversity. Appreciation of diversity is not a naturally-occuring phenomenon. It must taught and it must be learned.

The threats to individual freedom and the barriers to the celebration of diversity are expressed not only in overt, irrational acts of violence or hate. But these threats and barriers are also couched in moderate-sounding speech and moralistic appeals to people who are fearful or insecure. Discrimination occurs in subtle ways which are not remedied by ordinances.

It is curious that the self-avowed 'moralists' who condemn this ordinance have such a single-minded unholy obsession with homosexuality. They're missing the point! This ordinance addresses a lot of other things they won't like, either. This ordinance puts them on notice that intolerance and narrow-mindedness are unacceptable in Portland, and that diversity is already a fact of life here.

As the discussion continues on this ordinance, I encourage you to listen carefully to the people who will speak against it. I think you'll find that every argument made against this ordinance provides, in fact, yet another reason to support this ordinance!

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October 8, 1991

Dear Mayor Clark,

Thank you for your vote on the Civil Rights Ordinance passed last week. I am grateful for your courage and leadership on this issue.

Thank you!

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Chris Mack 1724 N. Webster Portland, Oregon 97217

cc: Commissioner Lindberg Commissioner Kafoury Commissioner Bogle Commissioner Blumenauer

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MAYOR'S OFFICE Mr. Mayor Just thought il would share my concern about the recent legislation that the Portland City Council passed into law, Il would like to remind you that you represent all citizens of Portland, not just the very VOCAL HOMOSEXUAL citizens. We as people trying to live our lives as properly as possible shouldn't have to accept a 'behavior' we feel is emmaral and destructive. as long as you stay so out of touch with the core of the Community. Il hope you are replaced with a mare open-minded representative, who considers all sides to an issue. The City council says it passed this legislation because this minority group needs extra protection. We already have laws against assaulting people, Why not make sure all people are protected from crime including homosepuals. ro oddrene bete

Regards Paula Clark

A PROPHECY FROM MY FATHER, THE ALMIGHTY GOD, CREATIR + RULER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH:

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The Bride of Christ, Marcy Ladwick

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Martin M. Kennedy 10-18-91 8917 n. Van Houten, 97203 VED UCT 2 7 1991 Mr Mayor; )FFICI "Sodom and gamonah - Portland, The Sequel" Hitler, eh? "Nayis"? "Hate mongers?" Well, just what I'd expect to hear from a person who obviously doesn't know right from wring. Who is no pias, boastfull, and litter that he can't tell the difference. But from a mayor of a major metropolitan center as Portland? But that doesn't even suprize me, nothing has since Goldschmidt's early days, it's gust what one would expect out of a city that has no conscience and a total disregard for right and wrong. But you wan't have to warry about the words you'd spewed out lately, you'll be retired, off in the Pacific, while this city burns in Hell. How convernent! The total laudecenses, contempt, and rebellion the city has forfol god isn't an embarrasement, it's world remound! Portland boasts. hereelf off as a beautifull princess, pristine and pure, but she has the heart of Satan and the tongue of deception, and ske leave in her wake dissallusionment, diegrace, shame, torment, blackmail, contempt, and murder Pride always comes before a fall and the fall is nearer than you think. Take a hint from Spokane and northern Adaho, the pride of White Supremicy", now it's on fire, 90 burning everything in sight Just a little dry weather and a spark and some wind and "Poof!" as for Portland, God is asking for semeone to stand in the gap, will it be in time? M.M.K. \* Terme you all used against bod (For obst you we done to my brithness you do unto Me!"

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Dear Mayor Clark!

Thank you for your support of the Gay (and other!) anti-discrimination ordinance recently passed in Portland!

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## Proposed amendment to Portland city charter by initiative petition

#### **Ballot Title**

Amends Charter: Prohibits "sexual orientation" provisions, government promotion of homosexuality.

Question: Shall City Charter prohibit recognition of "sexual orientation" labels that include homosexuality, other listed behaviors, and government promotion of homosexuality?

Summary: Amends Portland City Charter. City may not recognize homosexuality, pedophilia, sadism, and masochism under "sexual orientation," "sexual preference," or other labels that include these behaviors. Prohibits government promotion, encouragement, or facilitation of homosexuality, pedophilia, sadism, and masochism. Prohibits city agencies, departments, bureaus, properties, and monies from being used to promote, encourage, or facilitate homosexuality, pedophilia, sadism, or masochism.

#### TEXT OF CHARTER AMENDMENT

Be it enacted by the People of the City of Portland:

**Paragraph 1.** The Charter of the City of Portland is amended by adding a new Section 109 to Chapter 1, Article 1, as follows:

#### Section 1-109

(a) The City of Portland, including its Council and elected or appointed officers, shall not make, pass, adopt, or enforce any law, ordinance, rule, or resolution that recognizes any categorical provisions such as "sexual orientation," "sexual preference," and similar phrases that includes homosexuality, pedophilia, sadism, or masochism, nor shall the City of Portland, its agencies, departments, bureaus, properties, or monies be used to promote, encourage, or facilitate homosexuality, pedophilia, sadism, or masochism.

(b) Subsection (a) of this Section shall not nullify or be construed to nullify any city, state, or federal civil rights protections based on race, religion, color, sex, marital status, familial status, national origin, age, or disability.

(c) Subsection (a) of this Section shall not be construed to forbid the adoption of provisions prohibiting employment decisions based on factors not directly related to employment.

(d) This Section shall be construed as an explicit and necessary restriction and limitation upon the authority of the Council, in accordance with Section 13-201 of this Charter.

(e) It shall be considered that it is the intent of the people in enacting this Section that if any part thereof is held unconstitutional, the remaining parts shall be held in full force and effect. ■



William W. Dew, Jr. Resident Bishop The Portland Area

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David Weekley Chair Social Concerns

# OREGON-IDAHO CONFERENCE THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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October 4, 1991

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

To: The Portland City Council

From: David Weekley Chair Social Concerns

We, the members of the Board of Church and Society of the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church, support your affirmation on the proposed ordinance to ban discrimination in housing, employment, and public accomodations on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, marital status, familial status, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation, or source of income.

We support the prohibition against discrimination, and we support your integrity as you face groups such as the Oregon Citizen's Alliance, who desire to allow continued discrimination and violence in the Portland community, especially in relation to sexual orientation. It is the position of our Annual Conference:

- To be open and supportive to family and friends of homosexual persons,
- To be open, supportive and accepting of those persons who come into our midst who are homosexual and who desire to live out their life of faith and ministry in The United Methodist Church.
- 3. To be supportive of individuals, homosexual or heterosexual, who are struggling with their sexual orientation.

In this time of increasing social awareness it is important that we support one another in the effort to protect the civil rights of all persons.

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The council is ready to ban discrimination against gay men and lesbians by ordinance. Why the delay for ordinary citizens of low income to have protection for their right of access to decent, affordable housing in an area of their choice?

Access to desired and adequate housing approved by Portland Housing Authority and the HUD program is difficult because of long waiting lists for entry to most units. To avoid the long delays, one hopes to use a Section 8 certificate to find a place on their own, but the usual wait to get the certificate is a year after applying. Then you face the prospect of landlords invalidating use of the much waited for certificate.

Don't you think there is a connection between these problems of inadequate, low cost housing, difficulties of admission credentials, and growing numbers of the homeless and families in temporary shelters and no shelter at all?

With the increase in the senior population, single parent families, the rise of citizens living in the poverty level, the shrinking and loss of better paid jobs to the level of minimum wage ones. Don't we citizens of Portland deserve some compassion, concerns, and action to protect our basis for entry to affordable housing and pursuit of happiness?

WE	PROTEST	THE	DELETION	OF	SECTION	8	PROTECTION

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#### To the City Council Members and Mayor of Portland

#### FROM

#### CONCERNED CITIZENS

#### Regarding:

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September 23, 1991

Mayor Bud Clark Mike Lindberg, Commissioner of Public Affairs Gretchen Kafoury, Commissioner of Public Utitlities Dick Bogle, Commissioner of Public Safety Earl Blumenauer, Commissioner of Public Works

Dear Mayor Clark and Members of the Portland City Council:

It has been my unfortunate experience to have felt the subtle rejection that comes with being a low-income individual with papers (voucher) that landlords are leary about accepting.

My family includes a working head of household, part-time working wife, two school age children who attend the Transitional School for homeless children, and a toddler.

We have been searching for permanent housing for weeks that have turned into months. It is discouraging to the whole family to be confronted over and over with the fact that we will be extending our stay in motels, until the money runs out.

I support the conversation concerning the "source of income" category being proposed before the City Council.

Sincerely, ladip Kimberhand

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and tell you now provident un of your for perssing the protection to gays & lesbians NODN 0 nuch write to all in Portland turray. OWN VISI izen! Thanks SU much proud to 1626 S.E. Alder #5 Portland, OR 97214 Patricia Sexton your courage lot you impred loday and you 0-3-91 ust wanter 6 200 appreciate -I teel Portlan fourstruly, Hang that 12 . . RECEIVED MAYOR'S OFFICE OCT 0 7 1991 Portland, OR. 220 S.W. 5th ity Commissioners 97204





#### Wednesday San Francisco OCTOBER 2, 1991 NATIONAL 75 FIVE

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**Rights veto sparks riot** 

# Rejected suitor guilty in seven slayings

Farley could face death in '88 killings

By Stanton Samuelson and Larry D. Hatfield of the Example Start

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Farley, 43, who once said he would smile for the cameras if he would smile for the cameras if he went to San Quentin's gas cham-ber, could face the death penalty. He was convicted on seven counts of first-degree murder, five counts of entreated murder, one of of attempted murder, one of second degree burglary, one of fel-ony vandalism and one of assault with a deadly weapon.

Superior Court Judge Joseph F Biafore Jr. set 9 a.m. Oct. 21 for the start of the penalty phase of the trial, which will give the same jury [See FARLEY, A-13]

# **Soviets** to take N-arms off alert

Military to be cut in half in next 3 years ASSOCIATED PRESS MOSCOW - The Soviet flies away





Gays, others throw spitballs at Wilson in Stanford speech; he brands assault as 'fascist tactics'

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By George Raine and Lynn Ludlow of the Dissets Staff

Belligerent demonstrators for gay rights, accused by Gov. Wilson of "faaciat tactics" after backling or inscript cartes arear necking him Tuesday at Stanford Universi-ty, promised to continue the vio-lent discuptions that began with the transing of state office build-ings in San Francisco and Los An-

The prot ters objected to Will is vote of AB 101, a bill that uld have outlawed job discrimination against gays and lesbians. Lew Bowman, a Cal-OSHA in-

spector, shrugged Tuesday as he viewed the ruins of the agency's offices in the old State Building at 450 Golden Gate Ave. in San Fran cisco.

"It seems so misdirected," he id. ..... ...... A. Salata

The first-floor scene of shattered windows, scorched walls, cattered documents and smashed computer terminals drew attention away from what had been a nonvi-olent rally Monday night by an estimated 5,000 demonstrators who had marched from the Castro district to Civic Center.

Police Chief Willis Casey recal-led the violence that followed the second-degree murder conviction of ex-Supervisor Dan White for the 1976 killings of Mayor George [See PROTEST, A-10]

# Congress votes to extend jobless pay

Stage set for veto fight with president

By Alan Fram ASSOCIATED PRESS

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WASHINGTON - Congress gave overwhelming approval Tues-day to a \$6.4 billion extension of

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had decided to begin removing from alert status the interconti-nental ballistic missiles covered by a Soviet-U.S. treaty signed in July during a summit in Moscow

He didn't say on what status they would be placed, but the move appeared to be the first step toward eliminating some of them under terms of the treaty.

The reduced status means longrange bombers will be removed from runways and taken back to their hangars. Technicians no longer will be on 24-hour readiness to

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CAMINER NEWS SERVICES PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti -

resident Jean-Bertrand Aristide, Haiti's first freely elected presi-dent, flew into exile Tuesday after the military toppled him in a coup. But sources told Reuter that the unta was meeting resistance from Duvalierist factions within Haiti's army.

Aristide, exiled in Venezuela rowed to help overthrow the ploters.

Aristide arrived in Venezuela Tuesday morning and was trying to decide whether to go on to France, officials said. He reported-ly has been offered political asylum in both countries.

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WASHINGTON — After charging an incumbent rival with questionable financial activities, a Jean-Bertrand Aristide vowed to young former policeman is elected fight those who ousted him.

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Protest against Gov. Wilson's veto of gay rights legislation begins relatively quietly in The City's Castr

**Trevest agamest** cool, without solve of gay rights legislation begins relatively durity in The City's Cattro District Monday night, as about 5,000 gays, lesbians and their supporters rally under the neighbor-hood's notable landmark, left. After marching to the Civic Center, the demonstrators' anger boils over. Using a police barricade, top, protesters smash the glass doors at the Golden Gate Avenue entrance to the old State Building. A man, above, exults to the crowd after throwing a burning bundle of paper into

Rookie congressman

tackles BCCI probe

office. No one was arrested in the protests, which left some with minor injuries.

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freshman Rep. Frank Riggs, a for-mer detective and Sonoma County land developer, is learning the hard land developer, is learning the hard way that fingerprints can get smudged in the hands of the big-time politicians, lawyers and spe-cial-interest groups that operate at the national level. Last November, Riggs, a Re-publican from Windsor, a small town outside Santa Rose, defeated incumbent Democret Davie Bern

incumbent Democrat Doug Bosco in a 1st Congressional District race after raising questions about Bos-co's links to failed savings and loans.

Arriving in Washington in Jan-Arriving in Washington in Jan-uary, Riggs was assigned to the House Banking Committee. Then in July, scandal flared around the Luxembourg-based Bank of Credit and Commerce International. which was accused of massive 1 See RIGGS, A-13]

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65-35 vote shortly before the House sent it to the White House on a 300-118 vote. "Hear what these people are

Hear what these people are telling you around the country," Rep. Thomas Downey, D.N.Y., said in words addressed to Bush. [See JOBLESS, A-8]



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Mayor Bud Clark Commissioner Earl Blumenhauer Commissioner Dick Bogle Commissioner Gretchen Kafoury Commissioner Mike Lindberg c/o Portland City Hall 1220 SW 5th Ave. Portland, OR 97204

September 29, 1991

Dear Mayor Clark,

We would like to encourage you to <u>vote against</u> the proposed city <u>ordinance that would add "sexual orientation"</u> to the list of other basis upon which discrimination in housing, employment and public accomodation may not be prohibited.

Homosexuality is not a healthy or accepted lifestyle. While we also decry violence and discrimination against any citizen of the city of Portland, we suggest there are other ways to deal with the matter. These people are already protected, as individuals just like you, under current civil rights laws of the state. There are already laws against assualt and violence which the police need to enforce.

The vast majority of area citizens that are against this ordinance are not against homosexuals as individuals - only against what they do. Are you aware of the activities in which these folks participate? Here is just a sample:

> Fellating: 99% of homosexuals admit to fellating nearly all their sexual contacts Rectal Intercourse: 95% of homosexuals regularly engage in this activity with the fingers, tongue, penis & other artificial objects (toys) Fisting: Over a third of homosexuals admit to participation by inserting the hand or arm into the rectum of their sex partners Human Waste: Two-thirds of homosexuals regularly lick &/or insert their tongues into the anus of their "lovers"

\*\* (Facts/figures from the New Engl Jrnl of Med)

Are you sick yet? Indeed, we believe you'd have to agree these are abnormal behaviors. (If not, we would welcome your response in defense of these as normal.)

If they want to practice these things in the privacy of their own homes, that's their business. That's between them and God. It's when they try to force the general citizenry into accepting these behaviors publically that we draw the line. Letter to Portland Commissioners September 29, 1991 Page Two

Are you aware that the spread of AIDS has been promulgated largely through homosexuals. Medical experts know how to stop the spread of AIDS: modify the behaviors of those practicing susceptible acts. But homosexuals refuse to alter their lifestyles to help themselves. No, they want to continue "pleasing" (and infecting) themselves while asking you and other taxpayers to pay for their medical costs and a cure for the disease they bring on themselves.

Homosexuals should not be a protected class any more than those who choose to eat spinich. It is not a matter of being born that way. It is a learned behavior. An abnormal behavior. If not, then why have so many been successfully led out of this lifestyle by groups such as Exodus Int'l, Homosexuals Anonymous and Victory House? We recommend you give them a call and talk to some who are now leading normal lifestyles. (Addresses/phone #s can be supplied.)

If accepting homosexuality as a viable life-style is the height of contemporary educational and psychological wisdom, then let these professionals find another society to support them in the manner to which they have become accustomed.

What homosexuals do is so incredibly stupid, so patently absurd and antibiological, that only a foolish society would take seriously their wimperings about "equal rights with heterosexuality" seriously. Are we supposed to feel so sorry for them that we join them in their march to the cemetery?

You're right, we shouldn't tolerate discrimination, bigotry or violence against anyone within our city. But neither should we call homosexuals a protected class and promote or encourage their lifestyle. We should be promoting acceptance and patience in all, as individuals - not legitimizing and protecting the acts of this small group simply because its militant faction is lobbying for "special rights".

<u>Please vote "NO" on the proposed ordinance to add "sexual</u> <u>orientation" to current civil rights laws.</u>

Sincerely,

Harold G. Spillman Sylvia L. Spillman 3308 SW 30th Gresham, OR 97080

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# **PORTLAND CABLE ACCESS TELEVISION**

September 25, 1991

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Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark City Hall 1220 SW Fifth Avenue Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

On September 18, 1991, the Portland Cable Access Board of Directors unanimously passed a resolution supporting the passage of the ordinance currently under consideration by the City Council concerning a person's right to housing, employment and access to public accommodations within the City of Portland regardless of the individual's sexual orientation or income level. A copy of the resolution is attached for your review.

Members of the Council are to be commended for consistently and publicly protecting the civil rights of the City's citizens.

Truly yours,

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Melinda McCrossen, President Board of Directors

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, discrimination is counterproductive to a healthy community,

WHEREAS, violence and hate crimes have increased in our community,

WHEREAS, housing, employment and public accommodations should not be denied to anyone,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Portland Cable Access Television would support an ordinance prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and income level within the City of Portland.

Approved: September 18, 1991



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Affirmation Fellowship Gay and Lesbian United Methodists P.O. Box 12673 Portland, OR 97212

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Mayor Bud Clark Room 303, Portland City Hall 1220 S.W. 5th Avenue Portland, OR 97204

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Dear Mayor Clark,

We are writing to encourage your support of the City Ordinance including sexual orientation in non-discrimination. This is an issue of human rights, not "special rights" for ten to fifteen percent of the people in the State of Oregon. Research indicates that being lesbian or gay is not a matter of choice any more than being left handed is an issue of choice. Should people be discriminated against because of the gender of the persons they are comfortable in loving?

Affirmation Fellowship is a group of Gay and Lesbian persons affiliated - some of us very loosely - with the United Methodist Church. We meet monthly for a potluck dinner and program around our sexuality and participation in a denomination which is not accepting of gay/lesbian persons. We have been discussing our response to the OCA Initiative as individuals and as Affirmation Fellowship. We also have "Affirmation Network," United Methodists of the Oregon Idaho Conference who are supportive of gay and lesbian people. This letter comes out of our work on impacting this issue.

We would also encourage the Portland City Council to take an action similar to the Corvallis City Council in rejecting the OCA Initiative. The unanimous vote of the Corvallis City Council rejected the concept that the State could determine how local City and County government decided to treat its citizens. Your action would send another message that Oregon is not going to accept the fear tactics of the Oregon Citizens Alliance.

If we can be of any assistance in your action, please contact us at the above post office box or by calling me at 234-8854.

Sincerely,

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TOM NOVICK MULTNOMAH COUNTY DISTRICT 16

REPLY TO ADDRESS INDICATED: House of Representatives Salem, OR 97310 3314 NE 65th Avenue Portland. OR 97213



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#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SALEM, OREGON 97310

September 25, 1991

The Honorable Bud Clark Mayor, City of Portland City Hall Portland, Oregon

Dear Mayor Clark:

I will not have an opportunity to testify before you today on the proposed civil rights ordinance. However, I wanted to convey my support and appreciation of your efforts and leadership on this issue. The ordinance recognizes the diversity that exists in our community and that some of our citizens suffer discrimination based on that diversity.

As you know, we were unable to pass legislation prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation at the state level. Although SB 708 passed the Senate, it didn't even receive an "official" hearing in the House. I can assure you we will continue to push for state laws safeguarding the rights of all Oregonians. At the same time, I applaud the efforts you are undertaking at the local level to secure those rights. Pending state action, passage of this measure will at least ensure equal rights for all citizens of Portland.

Again, my congratulations on the anti-discrimination measure. Please let me know if I can be of assistance in its promotion or passage.

Sincerely,

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City Council of Portland 1220 SW 5th Avenue Portland, OR 97204

Attention: Mayor Clark

I would like to express that I am very opposed to the upcoming purposed ordinance "SOURCE OF INCOME".

This ordinance would only result in many additional problems for our community.

Sincerely,

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October 1, 1991

#### OREGON STATE CONSTITUTION "Bill of Rights"

Article I, Section 3:

"No law shall in any case whatever control the free exercize, and enjoyment of religious opinions or interfere with rights of conscience."

Dear Mayor Bud Clark and the Portland City Council,

By the passage of this so-called civil rights ordinance, you are violating the above excerpt from the Oregon State Constitution. You are removing the above right from landlords and employers.

I do not have the financial means to file suit against you, but will actively seek out those who have such means.

Sincerely yours, Mand WS

Michael W. Schenatzki Preacher of the BIBLE

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cc: Mayor Bud Clark

Portland City Council Members

Others who have the means to file suit against the City of Portland

September 27, 1991

Dear Mr. Potter: and Mayor Clark

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I started a letter to you the day after I saw you march with the homosexuals` telling the world you were behind them in their way of thinking and way of life.

God said it was an abomination to Him in Leviticus Chapter 18:22 and 20:13. God said you shall not with mankind as with womankind and women should not lie with women as with mankind. In the first Chapter of Romans in the New Testament starting with verse 17 on through verses 32-in verse 24 God gave them up to uncleanness through the lust of their own hearts to dishonor their own bodies between themselves.

When I was growing up we heard about these actions and knew they were wrong but I did not know how wrong until I read it in God's Word the Bible.Now I am shocked again to see a small group of 12 people make an ordinance that we are to hire them in all places and rent our homes to them whether we want to or not. We voted a couple of years ago "no special rights" they are free to buy food, clothes, cars as we are, keep their mouths shut and no one will know until they get Aids. It is sad how men tear each others buttocks up with their sick sex acts, and because of this we have this terrible disease. Aids is the only disease politically protected and that is because we have so many of them in office.

In Romans 1, verse 28 God gave them over to a reprobate mind. I looked reprobate up - it means reject as not enduring proof or trial., condemned, foreordained to damnation, morally abandoned, depraved, characteristic of a reprobate, corrupt reprobate person. Now that is why I do not want them in our schools, police or any place where we are trying to uphold high standards. Where are our morals being taught?

Prayer and the Ten Commandments have been taken out of schools (please forgive my trying to hurry)- condoms, knives, guns, abortion clinics-kill the babies have taken over.

Anyone running for office now, is not asked about honesty of character but do you approve of killing babies. They want <u>privacy</u> until they get Aids or pregnant then they want our money. God also says in His Word if they will ask Him for forgiveness and ask Jesus to save them He will; and will heal their minds and bodies if they will only ask Him. Repent of their sins.

I will be praying for you, Mr. Potter to help bring high standards and morals back for our young people, they are tomorrows leaders.

We love our children but if we do not tell them when they are wrong God will hold us responsible. Please take time to look up these scriptures. Praying you for. One who is concerned about our world. September 27, 1991

Thomas Strong 3912 SE Knight St. Portland, OR 97202

Mayor Bud Clark City Hall, Room 303 1220 SW 5th Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

I hope you read this whole letter. First, I want to thank you for your participation in and support of the new civil rights ordinance in the City of Portland. I work with the following organizations: Queer Nation/Portland, Portland Pink Panthers, the No on Hate Campaign, the Portland Homophobic Violence Reporting Project, and Radical Activist Truth Squad. I was unable to testify at either of the hearings regarding this ordinance, both of which I attended. I can't tell you how disappointing and disempowering it was to sit through hours of hate-speech directed at me without being able to respond. The commissioners have closed the hearings, stating that they have heard all the arguments on the matter. That's not true: there are some crucial facets to this issue which no one spoke to. So I'm going to quote from my script some of what I had intended to tell you in person.

"What has taken you, our city government, so long to get to this point now? The contemporary movement to end homophobia has been around for over two decades: have you been watching, listening, learning? This has taken too long. There has been a pervasive rhetoric in these hearings about hate-crimes. I want to note that this ordinance in itself does nothing to stop those crimes. Hate-crimes on the basis of race, national origin, and religion are increasing and those statuses already are given civil rights protections. I suggest that this ordinance is not enough: that it is only the beginning.

I am certain that you will pass this ordinance. And I'm certain it will be challenged by the ignorant bigots who oppose it. Where will you be then? Will you be standing on the frontlines with us, fighting back, fighting homophobia? We need you. You must stand for justice always, in every political sphere, not just in these hearings. You need to take to the streets with us to end this climate of hatred and bigotry which is so suffocatingly thick in this room today.

And finally, I am absolutely disgusted by those opponents of this ordinance who have shown nothing but antipathy and hatred for those of us who are dying. Get this: they are saying we don't experience discrimination. Yet we are being slaughtered. We are being murdered by a government and health care system that has refused to pay attention to our lives, our deaths. AIDS is killing us--one of us every seven minutes. And what do civil rights mean when we're dead? The National Commission on AIDS has indicated that at every level of government there has been a lack of leadership in the AIDS crisis. That is as true in Portland as anywhere. AIDS is getting worse, and because those of us dying in droves are gay men, or people of color, or IV-drug users, no one seems to care. No one has noticed that our government's ignorance and corporations' greed are responsible for this genocide.

Every seven minutes we die of AIDS. I demand that this city government wake up and fight back. I demand that you respond with compassion and intelligence and vigor, that you work hard for our civil rights by first passing this ordinance and standing behind it, and by second publicly speaking out against government inaction on AIDS. Remember, every seven minutes we die of AIDS. What do civil rights mean when we're dead?"

I also want to express support for the source of income provision as it stands in relation to AIDS. People with AIDS are protected from discrimination on the basis of their disability--AIDS. However, many people with AIDS are without health insurance. Or because of the extremely high cost of AIDS treatment, they must spend all the money they have to sustain themselves. They lose their jobs, and are forced to utilize public assistance. Source of income could become a way for landlords and others to discriminate unfairly against people with AIDS, a group of people already cruelly discriminated against by society as a whole. More needs to be done to protect people with AIDS and to care for them. More consistent, visible leadership is needed to guide Portland and Oregon toward a compassionate and effective response to AIDS.

Thank you for your time and efforts. But I want to restate the two main points I've tried to make here: 1. This has taken too long, and you need to campaign for this ordinance when the time comes. 2. You need to provide significant, meaningful, visible leadership to end the AIDS crisis.

Very Sincerely Yours, Thomas Strong

September 29, 1991

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Hayor J. E. 'Dud' Clark City Hall 1220 S. W. Fifth Avenus Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mr. Mayor,

Enclosed is my meager contribution to the so called 'Bucks for Bud' campaign. This is not an endorsement of the columnist who proposed the campaign although I do agree with the centiment expressed regarding this type of lien on your home.

My labors of the past thirty years have gone towards eliminating the mortgage lien on my home. In 1984, I received the 'satisfaction of mortgage' document. In 1985, the takeover, bankruptcy, and demise of the company for which I had been a loyal employee for the prior 20 years resulted in the loss of my job. Now I am trying to keep up with property taxes which are more than the total of house payment + taxes + interest + insurance when I purchased the house in 1960. In the next 2-3 years I can look forward to a new lien on my house for the sewer system. While there will not be a sheriff's auction on my property, there is little doubt in my mind that the ultimete sale of my home will be forced by the sewer mendate. I will lose my home because of some grandices plans of some conniving economic development gurus in local and state government.

Cesspools for single family residences are not now, have never been, and one not likely to ever be a threat to ground water in East Multhomah County. The difficulty is that anything larger than a single family residence requires a sewer system. No one is willing to put any significant facility in East County until a sewer system (paid for by somebody else) was assured. It's a little late now, but the developers of the 50's and 60's should not have been allowed to lay a water pipe without laying a sewer pipe along side it.

I am not so much against sewers as I am really unhappy with the methods used. If the state can mandate the sewers, they can also mandate the prices. By mandating the sewers, throwing the homeowners to the 'wolves' so to speak, prices were bound to skyrocket and customer satisfaction to nosedive overnight. The free market has just tilted dramatically in favor of the seller of sever services. With this kind of government action, why can't I be more in support of my local officials? If you are unable to figure it out, maybe you'd like to buy my house? Such a deal.

Robert M. Miller 3280 S. E. 177th Portlend, OR 97236
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NORTHWEST DISTRICT ASSOCIATION 1819 N.W. EVERETT STREET #205 PORTLAND, OREGON 97209 (503) 223-3331



September 24, 1991

Mayor J.E."Bud" Clark and City Commissioners Portland City Hall 1220 S.W. Fifth Ave. Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark and City Commissioners:

The Northwest District Association (NWDA) has reviewed the draft language of the proposed city civil rights ordinance and wishes to go on record as supporting this effort. We applaud your insight and courage regarding the value of preserving and encouraging diversity within our city.

The NWDA strongly supports the "elimination of discrimination based on sexual orientation and source of income." The proposed ordinance enhances Portland as a city committed to civil rights and equal opportunity.

Although we have not seen the final language of the ordinance, we would support any changes Council members may make that would strengthen the intent of the ordinance.

Sincerely,

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Marc Abrams President, NWDA

#### September 26, 1991 Public testimony regarding proposed Civil Rights Ordinance

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Mr. Mayor, Members of City Council:

I wish to voice my strongest support of this ordinance. As stated in Section 1. of this document, Portland lags behind other cities across the country in putting into effect clear support of civil rights. High-time, then, that this language be brought forth in our community.

This document constitutes a sincere effort at exploring a plague which too long has undermined the health of this community as well as others throughout our country. As such it offers not only an endpoint in the form of language before you today, it offers the context for a journey into the future we may thereby agree to take as a community. Some of us will thus become acquainted with the ghosts and goblins of our "psychic closets," so to speak. Others shall emerge as leaders in a quest to obtain an elusive goal, one too often lost in the wake of less qualified pursuits that often pass for "success" or "progress."

I had hoped to have a chance to give testimony before Council today but had to leave early. Nonetheless I feel compelled to add my voice to the public record. Much of the vehemence in opposition to the ordinance came from those opposed to homosexuality as a way of life. It seems that as civil rights has inched forward over the last generation, hate groups have become more strident in their pursuit of scapegoats on whom they can heap their malcontent. Now the front of this malingering belligerence is being waged at the threshold of our most personal and intimate domain: our sexual orientation. It is only by counter-attacking the viciousness of these various -isms on a unified front that we may hope to dismantle the structures in our community which offer refuge for hatred.

I listened to testimony yesterday to the effect that this ordinance constitutes de facto an act of favoritism for the few at the expense of others; that the rights this ordinance would pretend to assure are already assured in the letter of the law under U.S. and State Constitutions. Moreover, so it was submitted yesterday, this ordinance, in favoring a few at the expense of the many, was the type of action that is contributing to the moral decay of this land. I submit to you today that it is this simplistic deference to the "letter" of the law which obscures a more profound essence: the spirit of the law. It is to this spirit that this ordinance speaks. If anything is nibbling away at the moral fabric of this country it is yesterday's fetishism for law without compassion.

Please also bear in mind that this community, like others throughout the country, now faces the crest of a wave of right-wing fanaticism set in motion by twelve years of disinterest and in some cases blatant contempt for issues of social justice from the highest office of this land. This, I present you, is the only product of "trickle-down" policies in this country. There is a dynamic afoot here, and I urge you to recognize

and rise to the role you must play to counteract it. Twelve years of effort from on high to dismantle progressive grass-roots activism has left a vacuum of leadership from the bottom up. And into this vacuum has rushed the type of fanaticism that will attack progressive political agendas at the municipal level. They have learned to cloak their agendas in pseudo-religiosity, but lift this veil and you shall recognize a familiar tyrant. Today I urge you to stand firm and courageous where others have faltered. I am convinced that this courage must start at the community level. Change has never happened from the powers that be.

Please make sure that the clear words of this document are matched by a clear structure for adjudication. Give this paper tiger some teeth. Today I ask you to face down the tyrant of hatred and intolerance.

Thank you. en Matthew Witt

1611 N.W. 32nd Portland, OR 97210

BARTLETT F. COLE

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW

224-2653

1208 S.W. 13th, Room 214 Portland, Oregon 97205

Janet L. Cole, Secretary

September 30, 1991

Honorable Mayor of Portland BUD CLARK - Rm 303 1220 S W 5th Ave Portland Or 97204

Re: Gay Rights Ordinance. Hearing 10-2-91

Dear Mayor Clark;

On account of a previous committment, I am unable to attend the above.

Please read:

Have we not all one father? Hath not one God created us? Why do we deal treacherously every man against his brother, by profaning the covenant of our fathers?

Malachi 2:10

Those who live immoral lives, who are adulterers or homosexuals will have no share in his kingdom. I Corinthians 5:11 Living Bible ( in part )

If thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

Ezekiel 33:8 in part KJV

Please, for the sake of your own eternal soul, be guided by God's words. Present statutes protect all. Your proposed ordinance will make citizens bend over backwards in favor of evil.

Please study other helpful Christian literature enclosed.

Sincerely, Bartlett F. Cole

Dear Mayor Clark, A newspaper columnist has suggested that citizens contribute each \$1 to help eradicate your compaign fund deficit. Enclosed please find \$1 for myself & wife. This is NOT in jest.



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September 27, 1991

The Honorable Bud Clark Mayor of Portland 1220 S.W. 5th Avenue, Rm. 3 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

The Pacific Northwest Region of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith wishes to go on record supporting the adoption by the Portland City Council of the proposed Civil Rights Ordinance which includes prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in the areas of housing, employment and public accommodation.

It is ADL's position that no person should have to live with discrimination in housing or their job, simply because of his or her sexual orientation. We therefore urge the City Council to support protection for gay men and lesbian women in these basic areas of civil rights.

Sincerely.

Marvin Stern Regional Director

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(BY FAX)

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TO: HON. MAYOR & CITY COMMISSIONERS

ROGER & GWEN LAKEY 576 N. TOMAHAWK ISLAND DRIVE PORTLAND, OREGON 97217

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MAYOR'S OFFICE 9-26-91

URGENT MEMO FROM: Roger Lakey

MAIN POINT: PLEASE REMOVE THE WORDS: "SOURCE OF INCOME" FROM THE SO-CALLED "SEXCAL ORIENTATION" ORDINANCE BEING CONSIDERED NOW.



RENTING AN APARTMENT IS AN OFFIC TO GIVE SOME ONE THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF MY CAPITAL (THE APARTMENT) IN RETURN FOR PAY.

IT IS A BOSINESS. YOU MUSTNOT HAMPER THE OWNER'S ABILITY (AND RIGHT) TO MAKE A DECISION BABED ON INFORMED FINANCIAL HISTORY + CREDIT WORTHINESS.

IN OTHER WORDS, HOW RELIABLE IS THE RENTERS INCOME STREAM, AND HOW RELIABLE IS THE PROSPECTIVE RENTER? IT IS MY RIGHT TO KNOW & TO MAKE A BUSINESS DECISION THERE FROM

8-14-91 Dear Mayor Clork, I wisk to compatible you on your stand or Day and Human Rights. and in patientar your support of plice Chief T on Patter and his daughter and Chief Potter stated hiring practice policies. Sometimes, when the pendulum of freedom swings back to darkress, it is people of course like you and Chief Potter who camp his back at of the darkness into the light ugain. In deep gratitude myder of





AUG I 9 1991 Mayor Bud Clark MAYOR'S OFFICE City Hall Portland, Oregon 97204

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7-29-9 Dean Mayn Clark ! I appende the statements have been making (as reported in the Orgenian) in support of induidual rights. In not a mealler of an arturit group, but if you don 'Vrue again, I hope your mileson will speak up in support of diversity of cullines + individual Negrits as much as you have Hofman Dhank you, Finda Mommin Salem, OR 97302 Hofman



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Mayon Bud Clark City Hall 1220 S.W. ST 1 Portland, OR re Oca Issues Rns. 303 August for your statimutes on "USPS 1991 wardund rights 97204

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September 27, 1991

Mayor Bud Clark 1220 SW 5th Portland, OR 97204

**RE: FAIRNESS OF SEWER ASSESSMENTS** 

Dear Mayor Clark,

I am writing this letter on behalf of my father, J.E. Cavanaugh who own the property at 4606 NE Failing, and myself.

We are being penalized because we really don't need to be connected to a sewer. We just put in a \$2,000 septic tank seven years ago. Septic tanks have worked for years and years on the drainage field that our home resides upon. The sewer is not going to increase our home value one dime.

It is our understanding that the sewer project cost has increased over 40% since 1986. It has been said that the higher rates are caused from a decision to start the project in another area.

We are very concerned about these outrageous costs! These sewer prices are so high that they are relational to prices homeowners paid for their homes years ago.

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Susan A. Hougard 4606 NE Failing Portland, OR 97213

## Katz's promise to open City Hall offends Bud Clark

#### By CATHY KIYOMURA

of The Oregonian staff

When state Rep. Vera Katz, D-Portland, jumped into the mayor's race she trampled the feelings of Mayor Bud Clark.

Katz launched her mayoral campaign Tuesday with a pledge to "open the doors of City Hall."

Sam Adams, Katz's campaign manager, said the comment "was not meant as an attack on Clark."

But Clark, who has decided not to run for a third term as mayor, took offense.

"It was absolutely baloney when she said 'I'm going to open the doors of City Hall,'" Clark fumed at his regular Wednesday news conference. "Since I've been in office, the doors of City Hall have never been open wider."

Katz also focused on crime in her announcement, saying the city is so short of police officers that auto theft and most other property crimes aren't investigated. She called for giving "police and prosecutors and community agencies the tools they need to do the job."

Clark agreed that the Police Bureau needs more resources. He said passage of Measure 5 prevented the City Council from hiring more police officers.

Clark said he was offended by the overall tone of Katz's speech.

"It was an attack on me and the City Council as a whole," Clark charged. "It shows me she hasn't been around City Hall in the seven years I've been in office."

Clark was asked if he would endorse a candidate for mayor. Katz and Portland City Commissioner Earl Blumenauer are the major candidates in the race so far.

"If she starts making more statements like thet, I will," Clark Inreatened.

MAYOR BUD CLARK PORTLAND CITY HALL PORTLAND, OREGON SEPTEMBER 27, 1991 SEP 3 () 1991

MAYOR'S OFFICE

DEAR MR. CLARK,

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I ATTENDED THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY HEARINGS ON THE ANTI-DISCRIMINATION BILL. SPECIFICALLY THE SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND LOW INCOME DISCRIMINATION.

I WAITED PATIENTLY FOR THE BETTER PART OF 4 HOURS TO GET INVOLVED WITH MY TESTIMONY.

I AM WRITING TO TELL YOU THAT AS AN AMERICAN, TAX PAYER, VOTER AND BUSINESS MAN YOU SHOULD RESCHEDULE TIME FOR ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR ME TO PARTICIPATE AS YOU ALLOWED OTHERS BEFORE ME.

I KNOW THAT YOU UNDERSTAND MORE THAN MOST CITIZENS THAT AS A FELLOW VETERAN, WE BOTH SERVED THIS COUNTRY FOR EQUAL RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS OF AMERICA.

ESPECIALLY DEMOCRACY AND PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT.

THIS IS CERTAINLY A REASONABLE REQUEST.

I READ IN THE MORNING PAPER THAT UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP THE "DOORS TO CITY HALL ARE WIDE OPEN". PLEASE KEEP YOUR WORD AND OPEN THE DOOR JUST A LITTLE BIT WIDER FOR THIS VETERAN.

IN THE EVENT THAT THIS REQUEST IS NOT IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO YOU AND THE COUNCIL, PLEASE SEND ME A LETTER OF REFUSAL. PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SPECIFIC REASONS.

#### TESTIMONY TO PORTLAND CITY COUNCIL

DEAR MEMBERS AND MR. MAYOR,

5. No. 1

MY TESTIMONY TODAY COMES FROM A DIFFERENT POINT OF VIEW.

PLEASE TAKE SOME TIME AND CONSIDER THE VALUE OF THIS TESTIMONY.

AS I ENTERED CITY HALL TODAY I WAS ASKED TO SIGN A DOCUMENT AS AN OPPONENT OR AS A PRO-PONENT.

THIS REMINDED ME OF PROMOTING A FIGHT.

I RESPONDED TO THE CLERK THAT MY POSITION WAS NUETRAL AND THAT I WOULD EXPLAIN MY VIEWS BEFORE THE COUNCIL.

I COME TO EXPRESS MY VIEWS FOR BOTH SIDES, I COME IN PEACE.

HERE IS MY TESTIMONY:

1. WE ARE ALL HERE TODAY TO SEE A GOOD FIGHT. THE COMBATANTS ARE ALL IN PLACE. BOTH DIVIDED AND ANGRY ABOUT THEIR STANDS.

FOR THE PEOPLE REPRESENTING THEIR RELIGIOUS VIEWS I REMIND YOU THAT ANGER CAUSES STRIFE. PROVERBS.

2. THE POLITICAL AGENDAS ARE IN PLACE. BOTH IN THE ARENA AND ON THE COUNCIL. THIS IS A VERY INTERESTING BATTLE SHAPING UP HERE. 1992 IS AN ELECTION YEAR AND IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO SPLIT THE VOTERS UP. 3. FOR THE TRUE OPPONENTS OF THIS LEGISLATION. THIS IS A VERY SENSITIVE ISSUE. FOR THE POLITICIANS IT IS THE VOTE COUNT.

4. I SUGGEST THAT YOU KEEP THESE PUBLICITY SEEKERS AND POLITICIANS OUT OF THIS DEBATE.

#### I WOULD ASK THE O.C.A.

WOULD YOU ALLOW A CHRISTIAN TO LIVE IN YOUR BUILDING OR WORK FOR YOU IF THEY WERE ADULTERERS?

WOULD YOU ALLOW A FALLEN BROTHER TO REPRESENT YOUR ORGANIZATION REGARDLESS OF PAST HIS SINS.

OF COURSE YOU WOULD. QUIT THROWING STONES. BE AT PEACE WITH ALL MEN.

I ASK YOU TODAY WHAT'S THE ALTERNATIVE OTHER THAN SUPPORT THE LIVES OF THESE HUMAN BEINGS?

I KNOW YOU ARE PRO-LIFE. BE CONSISTENT.

THESE QUESTIONS ARE NOT AN ATTACK UPON YOUR ORGAN-IZATION.

THEY ARE MEANT TO CAUSE YOU TO STOP AND LOOK AT THE ISSUES AND THE ALTERNATIVES REALISTICALLY.

#### IN CLOSING

I HAVE WATCHED THE TESTIMONY AND HEARD THE ANGER IN THESE TESTIMONIES OVER THE PAST 2 DAYS.

MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL, WE ALL AGREE THAT HATE CRIMES ARE A SERIOUS PROBLEM IN PORTLAND. AND WE MUST ALL DO OUR PART IN STOPPING THIS CRIME TOGETHER.

FORCING COMPLIANCE WITH THESE PROPOSALS IS NOT THE PEACEFUL SOLUTION. IT WILL JUST FAN THE FLAMES OF "HATE". I SUBMIT THAT THE POTENTIAL FOR DANGER TO LIFE AND THE PROPERTY OF BOTH THE OPPONENTS AND THE PROPONE-RNTS OF THIS BILL IS GREATLY INCREASED BY FORCED COMP-LIANCE.

I SUGGEST THAT YOU PUT THIS ASIDE FOR 60 DAYS, AND LET THE LEADERS OF BOTH SIDE WORK OUT PEACEFUL COMPROM-ISES AND SUBMIT THESE PLANS FOR REVIEW TO THIS COIUNCIL IN 60 DAYS FOR REVIEW AND ACTION.

Reme"BER, GOD ISN'T THROUGH WITH ANY OF US YET.

AS I CLOSE TODAY, I WOULD LIKE TO REMIND ALL OF YOU THAT I HAVE NO POLITICAL AGENDA OR A PERSONAL REASON FOR GAIN TO BE HERE TODAY. I HAVE FAITH THAT THIS CAN BE RESOLVED PEACEFULLY.

P.J. MULCAHY 642-5865

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#### Anita Witt, MSW, ACSW Licensed Clinical Social Worker 2892 N.W. Upshur Street Portland, Oregon 97210

September 26, 1991

To: Members of the City Council

re: Civil Rights Ordinance

It is my understanding that much of the opposition to this ordinance comes from citizens who fear that harm may be done by granting equal rights protection to homosexuals.

My support of the Civil Rights Ordinance is based on 18 years' work as a counselor to young adults. The experience of having been sexually molested or harassed in childhood is far more common than we like to think. Almost all of my clients who have had to come to terms with these memories have been women who were molested by heterosexual men. During early childhood these experiened most often involve men in the victim's immediate family, during adolescence the circle widens to include adult acquaintances such as friends of their parents, on rare occasions a teacher, later on professors and employers.

The pattern is similar for male victims, though there are fewer. They, too, are victimized within the family or by heterosexual women such as babysitters. I have never, in all my years of practice, had a male client who was sexually molested by a teacher in the public schools.

I am writing this letter not only to support passage of the ordinance but also, I hope, to reassure parents who fear that passage of the ordinance would increase the likelihood of their children being molested. As a mother of five I sympathize with their fears. However, what we have to guard against is exploitation of our children by-heterosexuals, particularly by heterosexuals men who may be in a relationship of unequal power with our daughters.

I urge you to pass the civil rights ordinance and give all our citizes the protection they deserve.

Im. witt

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4557 N.E. 78 Avenue Portland, OR 97218-3945 September 23, 1991

Mayor 'Bud' Clark Commissioner Earl Blumenauer Commissioner Mike Lindberg Commissioner Gladys McCoy Commissioner Dick Bogel 1220 S.W. 5th Avenue Portland, OR 97204

You obviously no longer care about the voting public or the welfare of Portland, since you're trying to foist your phony 'Diversity' alias Degeneracy plan on us.

You've apparently become the pawns of the militant homosexual minority, instead of the community leaders that you're being paid to be.

Your plan has nothing to do with civil rights; rather, it will take away our rights to free enterprise for employers, and employees will be forced to work alongside people with low morals, i.e. sodomists, etc. This ill-thought plan will give an extremely unfair advantage to homosexuals in gaining city contracts or business, as well as jobs. In most cases, homosexuality is a chosen lifestyle and is no more deserving of civil rights status than smoking, drinking or drug taking.

Do you have such an aversion to decency that you want to deliberately give unfair advantages to sexual perverts? Please wake up and be more responsible and much more responsive to the vast majority of voters who elected you.

Very sincerely,

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Diane K. Sheldan Registered Voter

MAYOR'S OFFICE

Mayor Clark,

I am writing this letter to strongly voice my opinion in opposition to the City's proposed "Civil Rights" bill. Seeing how all common sense has departed our halls of local government I appeal to you to become a student of history if just for a moment.

Upon founding this country everyone, be they deists, unitarians etc., of our founding fathers stated that a nation not founded in morals and rightousnous would be doomed from the start. To almost a man, these enlightened men also stated that the Bible had to be our guide for without this absolute we would be left to nothing more than individual relativism in our pursuit of life, liberty and happiness. One needs only look at the sad cycle of past nations which abandoned their morality in pursuit of supposed wisdom, "culture", and progress.

Only now, in this country, are we finally beginning to come to grips with what 30 years of unchecked liberalism has wraught on <u>our</u> society, yet you wish to continue to push the envelope in the name of "Civil Rights". The answers lay in compassion and love for all men my foolish government official, with their foundations in the Word. Think about it.....

Eric Damian Christen

p.s. "I truely tremble for my country when I remember that ours is a just God".



Thomas Jefferson

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9-25-91

Portland City Counsel;

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

I want to make myself perfectly clear, your pandering towards the homosexual community will be the death of this city. Making special ordanance for a group of people who violate every law of nature and God is about the most dangerous and fooligh precedant you people have ever come up with What gives homoverula the right to be accepted as normal when AIDS is a direct result of their activity and their influence on young people is mont harmful and destructive? I know, d'are been there! I was a victom of their activities, sust short of intercoaree (Thaul God!), but was recruited for porno movies by a gay man in Onegen (ity in 1977 and was harraged and followed by gays in inner S.W. Portland in 1975 just out of high school. I was a prime target : Legally blind, broke, no street smarte, and would generally be polite and cordial to people. The gays had "radar lock" on me and there was hardly any escape, I locked myself into my apartment all day on weekends and never went out, even to the store deconstairs, at night. Homorahundiem even hit my family, my step brother; and the claime 3 others are gay, I reason to suspect a step cousin, but an uneure. all I know it has divided my family and destroyed any kopes of recenciliation The gays and all the other left wing mayyote ory about OCA and any Christian outfit of "Forcing Morality Upon Them, well what about them forcing their immorality upon the sert of society! Bet real here! If you think queer is cool, you're blinder than I !

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221 N.W. 18th Avenue Portland 97209

25 September 1991

Mayor Bud Clark Commissioners Earl Blumenauer, Dick Bogle, Gretchen Kafoury, & Mike Lindberg City Hall 1220 S.W. Fifth Avenue Portland 97205

Dear Members of City Council:

At last you have before you an ordinance drafted by Commissioner Lindberg that would ban discrimination against individuals based on sexual preference. We heartily urge you to vote YES on this vital measure. The state of Oregon and the nation need to know that this city embraces the rich diversity of its citizens and supports civil rights for all.

Thank you for the support that we feel so earnestly you will offer.

Sincerely,

Dennis M. Harper

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September 24, 1991

Dean Mayon and City Council,

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1 admine your brave stand against bigotry and prejudice, by considering a civil rights law protecting gay men and women.

1'll say a prayer for you and wish you the best.

Sincenely,

arry Hinkson

Banny Hinkson Special Education Teachen POB 103 Wasco, OR. 97065 Portland Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gay Men, Inc.



P.O. Box 8944 Portland, OR 97207 (503) 232–7676

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

25 September 1991

Mayor Bud Clark City of Portland 1220 SW 5th Portland, OR 97204 RECEIVED SEP 2 7 1991

MAYOR'S OFFICE

Reference: Pending Civil Rights Ordinance

Dear Mayor Clark,

We have reviewed the proposed city ordinance that bans discrimination in certain areas of our economy that includes minority groups defined by <u>sexual orientation</u>. We <u>support and urge the</u> <u>passage</u> of this proposed city ordinance.

I have included our Statement Of Purpose in the following paragraphs:

We are a group of parents, family members and friends to lesbians and gay people. We support their full human and civil rights.

We work to correct the distorted attitudes that result from misinformation about homosexuality. It is important that society recognize our gay sons and daughters as healthy, productive and loving human beings.

Gay people are naturally homosexual. Homosexuality is not chosen. It has nothing to do with sickness or sin. Homosexual love can be life-giving and mutually supportive, just as heterosexual love. No one knows how human sexual orientation is determined. Many gays and lesbians are aware of their sexual orientation at a very early age. Children are not influenced or taught how to be gay by parents or any other persons.

Gay people are part of the family. One of every four families has a gay member. Our gay and lesbian children have parents, grandparents, sisters, brothers, cousins, aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews whom they love. Rejection of a gay person by his/her family is a tragedy for each person in the family unit. Parents-FLAG is pro-family because it seeks to keep families together.

Sincerely,

allan R. Warrior

Allan R. Warrior, President

RECEIVED SEP 2 7 1991 Sept 26 MAYOR'S OFFICE Members of the city council: This Letter has been sent to register opposition to the inclusion of homosexuals as a minority status. A person's race or possibly even their ethnic background has legitingle reasoning for the granting of a Minority status. However, the lifestyle a person chooses should never be grounds For any special legislation or priviledges. a man cannot grow up one particular race and say I would now, after careful consideration, like to be a different color. Ask many black nen in our society who have Trouble finding jobs due to racial prejudice if they would like to be white. They canot change their race, however, Anyone can however, choose to change Their Sexual preference. Since it is a choice that can be changed, it goes to say that honosexuality can in NO way be considered legitimate grounds for the granting of a minority STATUS . Why do homosexuals want this special priviledge? One just To advance their political agender. Two,

deviant sexual behavior is NOT the norm and they want it to be accepted. Just because an activity exists in the community does not Legitimize it. Thus, just because There are honosexuals does not mean homosexuality is Normal. "If you grant people who choose a deviant sexual practice as a way of life special minority priviledges, what is to stop you from in the future granting special priviledges to people involved in beasticity, incest, child notestation, etc. These practices certainly are not mainstream, but they exist. They have the same business being called a special Minority status as does hano sexuality: NONE.

Very RospearColly,

Robert Micholis Neeke



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MAYOR'S OFFICE

September 23, 1991

City Commissioners:

In May I sent the following letter addressed to 'City Commissioners'. I am now re-sending this to each individual. I am so proud that you are acting to increase tolerance and respect for all people in the proposed 'non-discrimination' law. Having read about how quickly and powerfully the religious right moved to halt the passage of the state bill -I am acting at once. We so often take the good stuff in life for granted.

I love Portland. I moved here from Memphis, TN, last summer. I was attracted by the community values evidenced by the public arts programs, the pro-environment options provided by recycling programs and last, but first in my heart, the strong and diverse cultures.

Most of the community participants from the non-majority culture are buffered by laws prohibiting overt discrimination. The laws state clearly (to most) that what makes them different -their skin color, their language, their spiritual affinity -should not be cause for substandard treatment in our community. However, I am not protected in those same ways. I am potentially treated differently because of who I love. The woman I adore - and have chosen as my life partner - a person of my same sex.

I understand that you are considering city legislation that would prohibit discrimination against gays and lesbians. There are many cities that have taken this step to protect their citizens. If it can pass in Ames, Iowa - as it did in April of this year it can surely pass in Portland, Oregon. Please join the distinguished list of communities that are recognizing and protecting their gay and lesbian neighbors, co-workers, brothers/sisters, and friends.

A city ordinance prohibiting discrimination - and including gays and lesbians - is fair and just and overdue.

Sincerely,

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Debbie E. Boots 1134 SE 33rd Portland, OR 97214

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

3075 South East Pine Street Portland, OR 97214

September 25, 1991

Mayor Bud Clark City Hall 1220 South West Fifth Avenue Portland, OR 97204

> Re: Proposed City of Portland Ordinance Banning Discrimination Based on Sexual Orientation or Source of Income

Dear Mayor Clark:

The purpose of this letter is to voice my opposition to the proposed ordinance referenced above. As a landlord, I have seen nearly all of my rights eroded with respect to selecting suitable tenants. The City already has an ordinance providing for boarding up of rental property used for the manufacture and/or sale of illegal drugs. If I can't screen prospective tenants as to source of income, I can hardly help it if they end up being drug dealers. With respect to Section 8 tenants, have you ever tried to evict one? I'll bet not.

As a Realtor, when selling real property I represent the seller. In the case of a seller acting as a mortgagee (carrying a contract), how can I represent to that seller that I have brought him a qualified purchaser with a financial background strong enough to make contract payments if I can't qualify that purchaser with respect to his source of income?

Frankly, Mayor Clark, I am very tired of the bleeding heart liberal attitudes at City Hall. Perhaps Commissioners Kafoury and/or Lindberg would like to buy my rental houses. There doesn't seem to be much incentive in being a landlord.

Very truly yours,

Patricia A. Ryan

cc: Commissioner Kafoury Commissioner Blumenauer Commissioner Lindberg Commissioner Bogle

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Roger C. Jones 2936 S. E. Taylor Street Portland, Oregon 97214 (503)239-1237

September 25, 1991

Commissioner Mike Lindberg Portland City Hall 1220 S. W. Fifth Avenue Portland, Oregon 97205

Re: Civil Rights Ordinance

Dear Commissioner Lindberg.

"It is certainly a bright day in Portland's history," you have said. "The ordinance does not give special rights to anyone. It simply means people cannot discriminate based on sexual crientation." I personally share your desire to eliminate discrimination of all sorts from our City and applaud the whole Council for their desire to cause a person's "sexual orientation" to be his or her private right.

Unfortunately, some employers, housing and public accommodations providers do discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, national origin marital status, familial status, age, mental of physical disability and sexual orientation by (apparently) using "source of income" as a tool. Those I have spoken with about this ordinance state that the intent is not to encumber property owners so they cannot do their normal and reasonable business pursuits BUT, the clear statement (save the exceptions listed elsewhere) is:

23.01.060 (B) In addition [to things already covered in state law], it shall be unlawful to discriminate in selling, renting, or leasing real property on the basis of an individual's sexual orientation, source of income, or age if the individual is 18 years of age or older, etc...

It is normal and reasonable for owners of property who place them out to the public for rent or lease to perform certain subjective analyses regarding the creditworthiness and stability of the individual rental applicant in order to establish his or her ability to pay the rent over a period of time. There is not a terrible difference between a bank making a loan of money based on their client's ability to make monthly payments and a property owner (who usually has a bank loan to pay) renting his or her unit to an individual based on their source and amount of income Commissioner Lindberg Civil Rights Ordinance Page 2

and their basic ability to pay. There is a considerable difference between actual practical and the Civil Rights Ordinance before you today.

I bring your attention to the exceptions on Page 2. It has been stated above that discrimination on the basis of source of income is unlawful with exceptions. Please clearly understand and read with me:

23.01.040 (B) The prchibitions in this Chapter against discriminating on the basis of source of income do not prohibit (1) a reasonable inquiry into and verification of income; and (2) a reasonable inquiry into and evaluation of the stability, security and creditworthiness of any source of income.

Under normal credit/tenancy verification procedures, prudent and reasonable rental owners review the creditworthiness of the applicant by, but are not limited to, investigating their history of rental payments through former landlords, credit report information, employment history, credit references, the number and age of dependents, etc. all with the tenant's express authorization in the written rental application. This process is not allowed in the exceptions clause above.

A careful reading of subparagraphs (1) & (2) above allows one to evaluate the source of income. You may have meant just exactly that but as a practical matter, I really do not have any particular desire to evaluate the source. Personally, I will probably assume that the source may be paying the applicant money. I need to evaluate the <u>individual applicant</u> regarding stability, security and creditworthiness. To be quite blunt, the rental practitioner needs the right to discriminate (<u>Webster</u> defines that as, "to observe or mark the differences between; select; to make a difference or distinction.) in terms of source of income outright; without fear that he or she is performing an unlawful act.

Again, I say, I favor the intent and goal however, in order to be reasonable, it must be amended to eliminate source of income as a basis of discrimination. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Roger C. Jones

cc: Mayor and other Commissioners

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September 24, 1991

Dear Mayor Clark,

Please continue to support the Civil Rights Ordinance that is coming before the Council tomorrow. Your continued support on this issue is very important.

I look forward to a Portland where there is less discrimination.

Thank you.

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Chris Mack 1724 N. Webster Portland, Oregon 97217

cc: Commissioner Lindberg Commissioner Kafoury Commissioner Bogle Commissioner Blumenauer

SEP 2 5 1991

MAYOR'S OFFICE

September 23, 1991

The Honorary Bud Clark Mayor, City of Portland 1120 SW 5th Avenue Portland, OR 97204

Re: City of Portland Civil Rights Ordinance

Dear Mayor Clark:

This proposed ordinance will be a loss for everyone in the city of Portland to the extent that sources of income and credit verification fall under a protected class. To impede the ability of a property owner to make an intelligent and informed credit decision on the credit worthiness of a prospective renter, in the end will hurt all renters. The net result will be property owners will incur a loss due to the fact that they were unable to qualify the renter. As an offset the property owner will raise the rent charged to all renters. This in turn will mean that there will be even less lower income, affordable housing to the citizens of Portland.

The bottom line is no one has anything to gain. The renter looses, the property owner looses, and the City of Portland looses. I urge you to think this through as Mayor, and vote against this portion of the ordinance.

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PS: I do not object to the right to sexual preference.

## WHY 'GAY RIGHTS' ARE NOT CIVIL RIGHTS

Historically accepted evidences of discrimination	Black Americans	Homosexuals
Denied the right to vote?	Yes	NO
Official segregation?	Yes	NO
Denied access by law to public drinking fountains, restrooms?	Yes	NO
Denied access by law to businesses, restaurants, barber shops, etc.?	Yes	NO
Verifyable economic hardship as a result of discrimination? (see reverse)	Yes	NO

If traditional civil rights are not at issue for homosexuals, what is the real, stated agenda of the 'gay rights' movement?

- 1. To force citizens to accept more and more blatant and offensive public displays of homosexual behavior.
- 2. To force business owners large and small to favor hiring unofficial "quotas" of homosexuals through government pressure or threat of civil lawsuit.
- 3. To force property owners to favor renting to homosexuals through government pressure or threat of civil lawsuit.
- 4. To use the public school system to indoctrinate youngsters that homosexuality is a "normal" and acceptable life-style for them to choose.

THESE ARE NOT TRADITIONAL CIVIL RIGHTS, THESE ARE GOVERNMENT-ENFORCED SPECIAL PRIVILEGES.



## HOMOSEXUAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

ECONOMIC INDICATORS	Homosexuals	National
Average annual household income	\$55,430	\$32,144
College Graduates	59.6%	18.0%
Professional/ Managerial positions	49.0%	15.9%
Overseas Travelers (1987)	65.8%	14.0%
Frequent Fliers (1987)	26.5%	1.9%

Source: Wall Street Journal, July 18, 1991, Page B1. (Simmons Market Research Bureau, US Census data. Figures are from 1988, latest years available.)

## ANALYSIS

As the above figures indicate, homosexuals are far from being an "oppressed minority." While black Americans suffered demonstrable economic deprivation due to legal patterns of discrimination and segregation, the average homosexual actually enjoys the benefits of "the American dream" at a far greater rate than the rest of the population. Far from living in daily fear that they will lose their jobs due to "discrimination," these national statistics show that almost half of all practicing homosexuals hold either professional or managerial positions. Commenting on the homosexual market, one analyst quoted in the Wall Street journal said, "you're talking about two people with good jobs, lots of money, and no dependents. This is a dream market."

In 1988, during the successful campaign to overturn Gov. Neil Goldschmidt's "gay rights" executive order, the supporters of the Order were unable to point to a single documented case of discrimination based on sexual orientation, despite the obvious political advantage if they had been able to do so. The drive for "Gay Rights" is in reality not an effort against discrimination, or an effort to secure the "right to privacy," but rather an effort by militant homosexual community and their liberal allies to overcome the homosexuals' subconscious feelings of guilt and inferiority by using the coercive power of government to legitimize the homosexual life-style, grant "special rights" to homosexuals through minority status designation, force its acceptance by society, and ban public disapproval of homosexual behavior as a "hate crime".

Authorized by The No Special Rights Committee, PAC, B. Mabon, Treas.

#### 'Those who oppose us will be exiled'—

## Homosexual activist outlines goals of homosexual movement

By Michael Swift, 'Gay Revolutionary' **Reprinted from The Congressional Record** (First printed in Gay Community News) February 15-21, 1987

Editor's Note: For two months we debated whether or not to print this essay. We conclude it is appropriate because it reveals the motivation of a significant segment of the homosexual movement, written by one called a "gay revoluntionary" in Gay Community News, where it first appeared.

This essay is outre, madness, a tragic, cruel fantasy, an eruption of inner rage, on how the oppressed desperately dream of being the oppressor.

We shall sodomize your sons, emblems of your feeble masculinity. of your shallow dreams and vulgar lies We shall seduce them in your schools, in your dormitories, in your gymnasiums, in your locker rooms, in your sports arenas, in your seminaries, in your youth groups, in your movie theater bathrooms, in your army bunkhouses, in your truck stops, in your all-male clubs, in your houses of Congress, wherever men are with men together. Your sons shall become our minions and do our bidding. They will be recast in our image. They will come to crave and adore us.

Women, you cry for freedom. You say you no longer are satisfied

### The family unit—spawning ground of lies, betrayals, mediocrity, hypocrisy and violence-will be abolished.

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with men; they make you unhappy. We, connoisseurs of the masculine face, the masculine physique, shall take your men from you then. We will amuse them; we will instruct them; we will embrace them when they weep. Women, you say you wish to live with each other instead of with men. Then go and be with each other. We shall give your men pleasures they have never known because we are foremost men too and only one man knows how to truly please another man; only one man can understand with depth and feeling the mind and body of another man.

All laws banning homosexual activity will be revoked. Instead, legislation shall be passed which engenders love between men.

All homosexuals must stand together as brothers; we must be united artistically, philosophically, socially, politically and financially. We will triumph only when we present a common face to the vicious heterosexual enemy.

If you dare to cry faggot, fairy, queer, at us, we will stab you in your cowardly hearts and defile your dead, puny bodies.

We shall write poems of the love between men; we shall stage plays in which man openly carresses man; we shall make films about the love between heroic men which will replace the cheap, superficial, sentimental, insipid, juvenile, heterosexual infatuations presently dominating your cinema screens. We shall sculpt statues of beautifui young men, of bold ath'etes which will be placed in your parks, your squares, your plazas. The museums of the world will be filled only with paintings of graceful, naked lads.

Our writers and artists will make love between men fashionable and de rigeur, and we will succeed because we are adept at setting styles. We will eliminate heterosexual liaisons through usage of the devices of wit and ridicule, devices which we are skilled in employing.

We will unmask the powerful homosexuals who masquerade as

heterosexuals. You will be shocked and frightened when you find that your presidents and their sons, your industrialists, your senators, your mayors, your generals, your athletes, your film stars, your television personalities, your civic leaders, your priests are not the safe, familiar, bourgeois, heterosexual figures you assumed them to be. We are everywhere; we have infiltrated your ranks. Be careful when you speak of homosexuals because we are always among you; we may be sitting across the desk from you; we may be sleeping in the same bed with you.

There will be no compromises. We are not middle-class weaklings. Highly intelligent, we are the natural aristocrats of the human race, and steely-minded aristocrats never settle for less. Those who oppose us will be exiled.

We shall raise vast, private armies, as Mishima did, to defeat you. We shall conquer the world because warriors inspired by and banded together by homosexual love and honor are invincible as were the ancient Greek soldiers.

The family unit-spawning ground of lies, betrayals, mediocrity, hypocrisy and violence-will be abolished. The family unit, which only dampens imagination and curbs free will, must be eliminated. Perfect boys will be conceived and grown in the genetic laboratory. They will be bonded together in communal setting, under the control and instruction of homosexual savants.

All churches who condemn us will be closed. Our only gods are handsome young men. We adhere to a cult of beauty, moral and esthetic. All that is ugly and vulgar and banal will be annihilated. Since we are alienated from middle-class heterosexual conventions, we are free to live our lives according to the dictates of the pure imagination. For us too much is not enough.

The exquisite society to emerge will be governed by an elite comprised of gay poets. One of the major requirements for a position of power in the new society of homoeroticism will be indulgence in the Greek passion. Any man contaminated with heterosexual lust will

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be automatically barred from a position of influence. All males who insist on remaining stupidly heterosexual will be tried in homosexual courts of justice and will become invisible men.

We shall rewrite history, history filled and debased with your heterosexual lies and distortions. We shall portray the homosexuality of the great leaders and thinkers who have shaped the world. We will demonstrate that homosexuality and intelligence and imagination are inextricably linked, and that homosexuality is a requirement for true nobility, true beauty in a man.

We shall be victorious because we are fueled with the ferocious bitterness of the oppressed who have been forced to play seemingly bit parts in your dumb, heterosexual shows throughout the ages. We too are capable of firing guns and manning the barricades of the ultimate revolution.

Tremble, hetero swine, when we appear before you without our masks.

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September 23, 1991

Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark City Hall 1220 SW 5th, Rm. 303 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

The Portland/Multnomah Commission on Aging supports the passage of the Civil Rights Ordinance for the City of Portland. During the past three years, the Commission has pushed for increased cultural awareness and access to services for ethnic elders under the leadership of our Minority Committee. We are pleased to broaden that support to the entire community by advocating for the elimination of hate crimes and bigotry against people of all ages.

As representatives of the City's senior population we wish to express particular support for protection based on <u>source of</u> <u>income</u>. As you know, many older residents receive income from government programs. Discrimination in housing and other services is real for low-income individuals. Even the stigma that these recipients of government benefits experience serves as a barrier to full participation in society for the elders.

Members of the Portland/Multnomah Commission on Aging understand that the well-being of the eldest citizens of any community is dependent upon the well-being of each and every citizen in its population. The Portland City Council should not only move ahead in the passage of the Civil Rights Ordinance as proposed but provide the leadership and funding for the advancement of the Portland Future Focus goal to truly embrace and celebrate diversity and eliminate bigotry in our community.

Sincerely,

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Ruth Currie, Chair Portland/Multnomah Commission on Aging






# Housing Our Families

Empowering Women

Developing Partnerships

**Providing Housing** 

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TO: Mayor Bud Clark, Commissioner Earl Bluemenauer, Commissioner Dick Bogle, Commisssioner Gretchen Kafoury, Commissioner Mike Lindberg

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FROM: Housing Our Families

DATE: September 20, 1991

Dear Mayor and Commissioners:

Housing Our Families is requesting your support and vote, for the City Ordinance on Civil Rights.

As a community development organization supporting affordable housing for women and their families, we are only too aware of the discrimination these women experience in seeking housing, especially when their only source of income comes from government assistance or from minimum wage jobs.

Too many landlords use source of income as a pretext for discriminating on the basis of some other protected class; ie, families with children, people of color, etc. The inclusion of "source of income" will make more housing available for low income people and prevent some homelessness, especially for families, and those families headed up by a single parent which most times is a woman.

HOF particularly favors the Ordinance because it protects both sexual orientation and source of income. In this day and age, it is totally unacceptable to discriminate against someone because of their sexual orientation.

We are very proud of a City Council that would seek to protect these vulnerable groups.

PLEASE VOTE "YES" ON THE CITY ORDINANCE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS!

Sincerely,

Housing Our Families A Women's CDC



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August 28, 1991

Mayor Bud Clark Mike Lindberg, Commissioner of Public Affairs Gretchen Kafoury, Commissioner of Public Utilities Dick Bogle, Commissioner of Public Safety Earl Blumenauer, Commissioner of Public Works

Dear Mayor Clark and Members of the Portland City Council:

The Multnomah County Community Action Commission (MCCAC) at its August 14, 1991, meeting gave unanimous support to passage of a civil rights ordinance by the Portland City Council which will prohibit discrimination on the basis of a person's source of income.

The MCCAC is concerned about discrimination faced by low-income individuals and families looking for permanent housing. There are many barriers low-income people face in the search for housing discrimination need not be one of these. Low-income families, particularly those whose primary sources of income are government assistance, are victims of stereotyping and prejudice by too many landlords.

The MCCAC applauds the efforts of the Portland City Council in drafting an ordinance which would make discrimination because of source of income illegal in the city. We offer our endorsement to your work. If there are ways in which the MCCAC and its individual commissioners can be of further support, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Carole murdock

Carole Murdock Chairperson, Multnomah County Community Action Commission

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September 23, 1991

The Honorable J. E. Bud Clark City of Portland 1220 S.W. 5th Ave, Rm 303 Portland, OR 97204

Re: Portland Proposed Civil Rights Ordinance

Dear Mayor Clark:

I recently was informed that Portland is considering passing a Civil Rights Ordinance. I was also informed that this Ordinance has a "source of income" provision in it which would prohibit a landlord from inquiring of a potential tenant as to their source of income in which to pay rent.

Having such a provision in force in the City would cripple a prospective landlord from screening prospective tenants as to ability to pay rent. It seems to make no sense and I would urge that you vote against this "source of income" provision in the Ordinance. Your kind cooperation in this regard will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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THOMAS O. CARTER

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MANOR'S OFFICE

September 21, 1991

The Hon. Bud Clark City Hall 1220 SW 5th Avenue Portland. OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

On Wednesday, September 25, 1991, City Council will consider an expansion of classes to be protected from discrimination in the area of rental housing.

The ordinance will deal with (1) sexual orientation and (2) source of income of tenant. I am very concerned about the second portion of the ordinance. A tenant's ability to pay the rent enters quite strongly into my selection of tenants. It seems to me the court docket might become guite crowded with eviction procedures if I can't ask for figures to determine whether a prospective tenant is capable of paying the rent. I feel that this ordinance will not protect the people you are trying to protect.

It is my goal to provide clean, safe and affordable housing to the people of the City of Portland. Passage of this ordinance will drive rents up.

I would urge you to vote "NO" on this ordinance.

Yours very truly.

Dale G. King

Address: 0134 S.W. Ridge Drive Portland. OR 97219 246-9937

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The Hon. Bud Clark City Hall 1220 SW 5th Avenue Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

On Wednesday, September 25, 1991, City Council will consider an expansion of classes to be protected from discrimination in the area of rental housing.

The ordinance will deal with (1) sexual orientation and (2) source of income of tenant. I personally do not have a problem with the first portion of the ordinance, however I am appalled to consider the far-reaching effects of the second portion. It seems to me the selection of tenants will be pretty much based on "gut" reaction and will leave the question of the tenant's ability to occupy a dwelling to future history. If a great turnover in tenancy occurs, this will not protect the people you are trying to protect. The only way to make up losses in income and absorb the cost of legal procedures to remove tenants who cannot pay the rent will be to increase rents.

As a landlord it is my goal to provide clean, safe and affordable housing to the people of the City of Portland.

I would urge you to vote "NO" on this unwieldy ordinance.

Yours very truly,

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Address: 0134 S.W. Ridge Drive Portland, OR 97219 246-9937 INVESTMENT REAL ESTATE **TILBURY, FERGUSON & MERRIFIELD, INC.** 1708 SW COLUMBIA ST. PORTLAND, OR 97201 Telephone (503) 224-6743 Fax (503) 224-7933

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

September 19, 1991

Bud Clark Mayor Portland City Council 1220 SW 5th Ave Suite 303 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Bud:

I am very concerned about a pending ordinance regarding a change of status in protected class of rental property tenants.

I am very much in favor of one class gaining protected status and that is in the sexual preference provision. As a small property owner I don't want to know my tenants sexual preferance, habits etc. However I do want to know <u>how</u> and <u>if</u> a tenant can pay the rent before I rent to them. This is what I am very much against in the proposed ordinance as it would no longer allow for any landlord to make inquiries as to the amount of income and source of it.

Prudent business practices demand a knowledge of any source of credit, income and previous history of same. Think of a landlord as a creditor loaning the use of his property to a tenant. Put yourself in this position, wouldn't you want to know the creditworthiness of a prospective tenant too?

Thank you for your time in reading this and I will be watching the outcome of this ordinance and your vote on same.

Sincerely

Michael D. Merrifield President

RECEIVED SEP 2 4 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

September 19, 1991

The Hon. Bud Clark City Hall 1220 SW 5th Avenue Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

I understand that the City Council will consider an expansion of classes to be protected from discrimination in the area of rental housing in the City of Portland and that a hearing will be held on Wednesday, September 25, 1991 in the Council Chambers.

The two protected classes to be considered are (1) sexual orientation and (2) source of income of tenant. I am quite concerned about the second portion of the ordinance. It seems to me the selection of tenants will be very difficult if I can't ask what his source of income is. If a great turnover in tenancy occurs, this will not protect the people you are trying to protect. It seems to me that making up losses in income and absorbing the cost of legal procedures to remove tenants who cannot pay the rent will be borne by passing on increases to tenants.

As a landlord it is my goal to provide clean, safe and affordable housing to the people of the City of Portland.

I would ask that when voting on this ordinance occurs, it will receive a "no" vote from you. Thank you.

Yours very truly,

Janet Heckaman

Address: 9711 SW Corbett Lane Portland, Oregon 97219 245-5696

RECEIVED upt 20, 1991 SEP 2 4 1991 Mayor Bud Clark, MAYOR'S OFFICE I am against the ordinance before the council that will make Source of Income a protected class! as a rental property owner, I must be able to verify & check the oredit- worthyness of applicants. according to existing laws, I have to determine that income is not made by any illegal means, - (drugs, making & selling and for prostitution) If I am unable to question the people, and the income is from honest sources? Dr, how can I be sure the applicants can afford to continuing continue paying sent on a timely basis, more in money is not all that is needed! VOTE AGAINST THE SOURCE OF INCOME ORDINAUCE ! Karen Myus 3144 NE 51 97213

Ted Rowell Portland, OR 97232 Sept. 23, 1991

City Commissioner Mike Lindeberg City Hall 1220 SW Fifth Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mr. Lindeberg:

Shame on you for writing any kind of ordinance that would find approval of human deviation to be an issue to be forced upon a God Fearing people. Furthermore, it is appalling that an elected consortium would turn against the electors in totalitarianism by creating controversial laws into a system of double-standards with which the citizens ARE FORCED to comply with.

I must admit your actions have left me astutely metagrobolized.

How can a society rationalize the difference between officialdom's treatment of various sexual encounters?

Why was Mr. Pee Wee Herman arrested for public IMDECENCY (and other charges, like exposure, flashing, etc) when, by himself with no concenting partner, he was accused of self-abuse (masturbating) in public? His primary reason for this was to obtain the thrill leading up to a self-attained orgasm, wasn't it?

Why isn't this a good moral aspect of American living especially when the Good Book states: "it is better to cast your seeds upon the sands of the earth than into the belly of a whore."

Another double-standard is the ordinance making it unlawful to utilize the services of a whore. Don't you take away people's cars if they are caught propositioning a whore or even engaging in a type of NORMAL SEX with one? What is the basis of the charge of PROSTITUTION? Is prostitution immoral, impure, dirty, unchaste, unclean, lustful, anti-moral, wrong, bad, evil, iniquitous, reprobate, sinful, reprobate, vicious or wicked? Yet homosexual practices are not?

Isn't the primary purpose of prostitution to cause a thrill leading up to a partner-attained orgasm (with or without money as the objective)? Of course, you know that, don't you?

Another double standard is the arrest of the man, one evening, in a room of the Hilton Hotel. He stood naked before the window with illuminating lights behind him outlining his presenting his penis to the observing ladies at the bus stop. (I was there.) What is wrong with that? It was the thrill leading up to an unnatural orgasm, right?

Another double standard is why is it so wrong to mess around with your own children? Sconer or later even they may grow up to achieve the thrills of abnormal orgasms. You know that, don't you? If a parent cannot mess around with his offspring, then why is it lawful for a homosexually oriented person to do so? They do this, you know, don't you?

Why was it sufficient grounds to arrest a man who was simply uninating in the shaddows along a street and accidentally urinated upon the

# ARE <u>YOU</u> A **POPULIST?**



Check your positions on the issues on the chart inside and see where you stand.



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1412 SW Custer Dr #3 Portland OR 97219 September 20, 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

Mayor Bud Clark City Council 1220 SW 5th Ave. Portland OR 97204

Dear Honorable Mayor

I am writing to you as a concerned rental property owner in regards to the proposed ordinance to expand the protected classes. I understand and approve of the sexual orientation provision, it is the source of income provision that I am writing to you about.

If the source of income provision were to become law, it would prevent the property owner from asking about the source of income of a potential tenant. If the owner is not allowed to ask, the source of income would not be able to be verified. In essence, property owners would have to take a prospective tenants 'word on it'. How is the owner to know if the tenant would be able to afford the rent payments if he is unable to verify the source of income. Many rental owners rely on these rents to pay their mortgages, electric and garbage bills, etc. for the units.

If this provision passes it may end up causing losses on the part of the rental owners in unpaid rents and a higher turn over rate. In the long run these losses will be passed on to the tenants in the form of higher rents, higher move in fees and deposits.

As you can see the source of income provision would benefit neither the tenant nor the rental property owner.

Sincerely

Chris Labuhn Rental Property Owner

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

205 S.E. 192 " Ane Portland, OB 97233 Suptember 19, 1991

Mr. Bud Clark, Mayor 1220 SW. 5th Auc Forceand, OR 97204 Denv TMr. Clark: Well you prease take a good look at the proposal Stating that the Multifamily property Devner Can not request the source of income of a prospective tenant? We would be usuable to determine if they Could pay the next. This would defeas our purpose I providing affordable housing to our tenants because we would be unable to pay our bills if we do not collect the rents. We oron and manage a small plet in Southeast Fortland. Our rents are approximately fifty dollars a month lower than other comparedle cisuts. We have chosen to do this in order to provide a good home at a reasonable price. We will be forced to increase rent if we are forced to rent to people who can not, or do not pay their rents. We have both welfore and professiones Tenants of this should become a law would it also apply to retail outlets, ect. Thank You for your consideration EDNA S. SMITHERMAN 205 S. E. 192ND AVE. PORTLAND, OR. 97233 Elno D. Smitherman

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City Council of Portland 1220 SW 5th Avenue Portland, OR 97204

Attention: Mayor Clark

I would like to express that I am very opposed to the upcoming purposed ordinance "SOURCE OF INCOME".

This ordinance would only result in many additional problems for our community.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

September 23, 1991

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Mayor Bud Clark 1220 SW Fifth Avenue, Room 303 Portland, Oregon 97204

Re: Gay Rights Issue

Dear Mayor Clark:

I cannot believe that you would want to give gays a special right to do what they do by signing this gay rights bill. This would make it okay for them to act the way they do, and the put the folks who have a man/woman relationship at their mercy. Do you <u>not</u> realize the implications of such an act? If this is a political move, it is a bad one. It will only make them happy for a moment and then it will be something else, to satisfy such a "minority." Remember, the majority who keep you and the other commissioners in office - that is <u>not</u> a minority of perverted people who want to run everything.

Please reconsider such an act. The long term implications will be such a tragedy. My husband and I will pray for you.

Sincerely, Gleason Robyn M.

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September 14, 1991

RECEIVED SEP 1 6 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

The Honorable J.E. "Bud" Clark Mayor of Portland 1220 S.W. Fifth Ave. Portland, OR 97204

Re: PORTLAND FUTURE FOCUS Strategic Plan

Dear Mayor Clark:

Before the FUTURE FOCUS process has gone too far, I think you need to know that some of the provisions of this plan with regard to "bigotry" and "sexual orientation" are in violation of both the Oregon and United States constitutions.

Specifically, the PORTLAND FUTURE FOCUS Strategic Plan, with regard to "bigotry" when "sexual orientation" is included in a list of victim classes, violates the constitutional right of religious opinion (Constitution of Oregon, ARTICLE I, Section 3) and is therefore unconstitutional.

Those who accuse Bible-believing Christians of "bigotry" for their opposition to homosexuality are usually doing so from a man-centered, or "humanistic" world view. However, from a Christian's God-centered (or "Christ-centered") world view, it is the accusers who are expressing anti-Christian bigotry.

Both sides have the right to hold their own world view. But the government, even in order to "eliminate bigotry," cannot take sides. The tension between the two differing (and competing) world views must be allowed to continue.

Since Christians have the constitutional right to hold and express a Christcentered world view, public officials and agencies do not have the right to criticize or oppose that view. They do not have the right to try to force Christians to change their minds, either by public statements or by tax funded efforts to sway public opinion.

"Righteousness is never negotiated...only compromised."

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I therefore urge you and the other members of the City Council to immediately take the steps necessary to correct this violation of constitutional rights.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Brian Adrian Executive Director

cc: Earl Blumenauer Dick Bogle Gretchen Kafoury Mike Lindberg Lon Mabon, OCA

"Righteousness is never negotiated...only compromised."

RECEIVED MAYOR'S OFFICE

July 10, 1991

TO: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Dick Bogle Commissioner Earl Blumenauer Commissioner Gretchen Kafoury Commissioner Mike Lindberg

FROM: City of Portland Employees

We applaud the commitment of Police Chief Tom Potter to provide equal and fair service to all persons, without regard to race, sex, cultural heritage, sexual orientation or political philosophy.

As employees who've chosen to dedicate our energy to public service, we wish to acknowledge the courage and compassion of a colleague. We thank the whole Council for supporting him in serving all the residents and visitors of Portland respectfully.

We are committed to supporting our bureaus in providing services equally and responsively to all persons and respecting the dignity of all employees.

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1315 Southwest Park Avenue, Portland, OR 97201 (503) 227-2439 MAYOR'S OFFICE

august 12, 199)

J. E. "Bud" Clark, Mayor lity of Partland 1220 S.W. 5th Suite 303 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear mayor Clark: Yesterday, the people of St. James passed 42-6-4 the enclosed resolution regardin gay and les bian people. We wanted to share an pain tion with you, the other commissioner, and the Palice Chief.

as we add een noice to yours, it is with the hope that all y the people of our community will enjoy the rights of citizen ship.

Thank you for your leadership in great Cetty of Portland. Rw. J Edmin

100th ANNIVERSARY

1315 Southwest Park Avenue, Portland, OR 97201 (503) 227-2439

#### AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME

As a community of the people of God, we are called to minister to all people of the world, knowing that the world is often an unloving place. Our world is a place of alienation and brokenness. Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness, and we are challenged by the Gospel to be agents of healing within our society.

We affirm with the apostle Paul that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female" (Galatians 3:28). Christ has made us one. We acknowledge that this reconciliation extends also to those whose affectional orientation is toward a person of the same gender.

Because gay and lesbian persons are often scorned by society and alienated from the Church, we wish to make known our caring and concern. It is for that purpose that we affirm the following:

- that gay and lesbian people share with all others the worth that comes from being unique individuals created by God;
- o that gay and lesbian people are welcome within the membership of this congregation upon making the same affirmation of faith that all other people make; and
- o that as members of this congregation, gay and lesbian people are expected and encouraged to share in the sacramental and general life of this congregation.

We acknowledge our participation in the Reconciled in Christ Program of

Lutherans Concerned/North America:

ST. JAMES Lutheran Church

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100th ANNIVERSARY

1315 Southwest Park Avenue, Portland, OR 97201 (503) 227-2439

August 12, 1991

Chief Tom Patter Portland Palice Dept. 1111 S.W. 2nd

Partland, Diegon 97204 Chief Patter : Personally, I want to thank you for your understanding, leader hip and Wision of the Portland Palice Dept. Specifically, Owant to commend you for your participation in the gay fude parade. Finally, Qwant to share the resolution passed august 11, 1891 by the people of St. James, which at least in part mirrors your actions and words If we can be gassistance or support, please contact us.

Rw. Jac Smith

100th ANNIVERSARY

1315 Southwest Park Avenue, Portland, OR 97201 (503) 227-2439

august 12, 1991

Gretchen Ka foury Commission 1220 S.W. 5B Rm. 211

Portland, Degon 97204

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Dear Commissioner La foury: Enclosed is a resolution passed 42-6-1 august 11, 1991 by The people of St. James.

It is shared with you simply as information and hope fully as and indication that There are prople in the City of Portland who lope that all of The people of our community shall be able to enjoy There gats of Citizenskip.

Thank you for your leadership in The great lity portland. Red. Jee Smith

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August 2, '91

Katherine Young

MAYOR'S OFFICE

Editor The Oregonian 1320 SW Broadway Port. OR 97201

To the Editor:

The inaction of the Milwaukee police officers when called about the naked and bleeding Laotian boy who was eventually murdered by Jeffery Dahmer, is a perfect example of why all police departments, including our own, need not only cultural/ethnic sensitivity training, but a police force reflecting and inclusive of the community they serve. The homophobia of the Milwaukee police officers blinded them to the horrendous reality of the situation, resulting in their totally unprofessional and unacceptable response. If at least one of those officers had been lesbian or gay, would the situation have been treated so lightly and unprofessionally? Most emphatically, I believe not.

Here in Portland, Chief of Police Tom Potter quite rightly strives to have our police force truly reflect and represent our community by, among other actions, encouraging gay and lesbian citizens to join the force and serve all of us. And the Oregon Citizens Alliance thinks this is wrong? What nonsense.

cc: Chief of Police Tom Potter Mayor Bud Clark

Sincerely

Work phone 274-7491 home phone 282-8740

#### JAMES G. RICE

ATTORNEY AT LAW THE AMBASSADOR 1207 S.W. SIXTH AVENUE **PORTLAND, OREGON 97204** (503) 299-6585 Telefax (503) 228-4529

RECEIVED JUL 3 1 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

30 July 91

Mayor Bud Clark City Hall 1220 S.W. Fifth Avenue Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

There has been recent media attention focused on Chief Tom Potter. Certain members of what might charitable be called the lunatic fringe of society have called for his resignation.

The brief meeting I have had with Chief Potter impressed me that he is a decent human being and an outstanding person to have as our Chief of Police. I strongly urge you to continue your support of Chief Potter.

Respectfully,

James G. Rice

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July 27, 1991

The Honorable Mayor Bud Clark Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Clark:

My family and I stand behind Police Chief Potter 100 per cent. Please, please continue to support him and the fine job he is doing for our city.

Sincerely,

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Nell McManus 45322 SE Marmot Road Sandy OR 97055



July 29, 1991

Bud Clark Office of the Mayor City Hall Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

I know that this letter is late and after the fact, but I really wanted you to know how I felt about that July 4th "Defenders of Liberty, Welcome Home" parade. I thought it was the most wonderful idea I have heard in a long long time. Then, of course, opposition to it came from a minority of people as usual. I was so ashamed of my fellow Oregonians. I was also very disappointed that your Commissioners didn't have the courage to stand up for you and your decision. It doesn't say much for them in my eyes today nor will it in the future.

Thank you for going ahead with the parade. I won't forget it. Many of us won't forget it.

Sincerely,

Linda J. Idol

Linda J. Idol 5706 S.E. 49th Avenue Portland, OR 97206

#### Pamela Reamer-Williams 4131 SW Viewpoint Terrace Portland, OR 97201

July 27, 1991

Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark Portland City Hall 1220 SW 5th, Room 303 Portland, OR 97204 RECEIVED JUL 3 0 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

Dear Mayor Clark,

I just wanted to tell you how much I admire Chief of Police Tom Potter and his work on behalf of all of Portland's citizens. I continually hear native Portlanders refer to Chief Potter as the best Police Chief they can remember and, although I've only lived here 12 years, I absolutely agree with their assessment. I was thrilled when he was finally appointed.

The strongest aspect of my support for Chief Potter initially stemmed from his commitment to community policing, but I am equally heartened by his firm resolve to promote fairness and tolerance for all Portland residents.

The recent OREGONIAN profile of Chief Potter and his daughter was one of the most heartwarming stories I've read in many years and I respect him tremendously for adopting an open-minded, humanitarian approach toward people's differences. We are very fortunate to have him as our Police Chief. (I also believe we're lucky to have someone of Katie Potter's caliber as a police officer!)

By way of reference, I am <u>not</u> someone who's generally inclined toward praising police officers. I can empathize with the difficulty these individuals face on a daily -- if not hourly -- basis and, frankly, my personal dealings with the Portland Police have been favorable, but I still feel considerable discomfort when I recall the 'Possum and T-Shirt incidents, et al. However, I strongly believe that with Chief Potter at the helm, Portland's Police Bureau can truly become one of the finest in the country.

I hope that he will <u>never</u> be forced to bow to the pressure of a few members of a vocal minority who have the gall to try to speak for the rest of us even though they don't reside in Portland and don't come close to representing the majority.

I also hope Chief Potter will continue to have your wholehearted support and I wish him a long and fruitful tenure as Portland's Chief of Police.

Warm regards, Zueb Resuer-Williams

Pamela Reamer-Williams

24146 Old Peak Rd Philomath, Or 97370 22 July 1991

Mayor Bud Clark City of Portland 1220 SW Sth Rn 303 Portland, OR 97204

JUL 3 0 1991 MANDR'S OFFICE

Dear Mayor Clark:

This is a letter of support for Chief of Police Tom Potter. I know you will have probably received a lot of negative input about him from the wellorganized, well-funded vocal minority, Oregon Citizen's Alliance. I do not believe they represent a majority in our state, despite their excellent grass-roots organization that is apparently based on fear-based hatred.

Chief Potter should be commended on a number of fronts. He challenges numerous stereotypes. On the one hand, he advocates that in Oregon fairness should not restricted to a subset of the population defined by privatelydefined standards. On the other, he says this as a fundamentalist and a police chief -- and, frankly, neither fundamentalists nor police chiefs are generally known for their commitment to fairness and respect for all people.

Chief Potter challenges not only stereotypes held by right wing activists and their kin, but also stereotypes held by most liberals and their kin. He is a decent, courageous man, and you should be proud to have him as your police chief.

Sincerely,

cc: Police Chief Tom Potter





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J.E. BUD CLARK, MAYOR Tom Potter, Chief of Police 1111 S.W. 2nd Avenue Portland, OR 97204

BUREAU OF POLICE

MAXIMUS OFFICE

July 25, 1991

Becky Wehrli Portland/Multnomah Commission on Aging Portland Building, Room 521 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Becky:

Thank you for your open letter, dated July 10, 1991, to the City Council supporting my efforts to ensure equal treatment to all of our citizens. I respect each of you and your dedication to serving our community. I am very proud to work in a city where the managers value diversity and are committed to providing the best possible service to every citizen.

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Again, thank you.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Gretchen Kafoury



July 25, 1991

Toby Widmer Bureau of Maintenance 2929 N. Kerby Portland, Oregon 97227

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Very truly yours,

Chief of Police

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Blumenauer



July 25, 1991

Mary Nolan Bureau of Environmental Services Portland Building, Room 400 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mary:

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TOM POTT Chief of Police

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Earl Blumenauer



BUREAU OF POLICE

July 25, 1991

Craig Prosser City Auditor's Office City Hall, Room 202 Portland, Oregon 97204

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TOM POTTER Chief of Police

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Barbara Clark, City Auditor



### PORTLAND, OREGON

J.E. BUD CLARK, MAYOR Tom Potter, Chief of Police 1111 S.W. 2nd Avenue Portland, OR 97204

BUREAU OF POLICE

July 25, 1991

Goran Sparrman Bureau of Traffic Management Portland Building, Room 730 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Goran:

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OM POTTER Chief of Police

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark / Commissioner Earl Blumenauer



July 25, 1991

Margaret Mahoney Bureau of Buildings Portland Building, Room 930 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Margaret:

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TOM POTTER

Chief of Police

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Kafoury


July 25, 1991

Susan Anderson Energy Office Portland Building, Room 1030 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Susan:

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Mike Lindberg



### PORTLAND, OREGON

J.E. BUD CLARK, MAYOR Tom Potter, Chief of Police 1111 S.W. 2nd Avenue Portland, OR 97204

BUREAU OF POLICE

July 25, 1991

Luis Machorro Metropolitan Human Relations Commission Portland Building, Room 516 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Luis:

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Very truly yours,

TOM POTTER Chief of Police

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Kafoury



July 25, 1991

David Judd Bureau of Parks and Recreation Portland Building, Room 1302 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear David:

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Chief of Police

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Lindberg



### July 25, 1991

Bill Bulick Metropolitan Arts Commission Portland Building, Room 1023 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Bill:

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## PORTLAND, OREGON

J.E. BUD CLARK, MAYOR Tom Potter, Chief of Police 1111 S.W. 2nd Avenue Portland, OR 97204

BUREAU OF POLICE

### July 25, 1991

Rachel Jacky Office of Neighborhood Associations City Hall, Room 204 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Rachel:

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Kafoury



July 25, 1991

Mike Rosenberger Water Bureau Portland Building, Room 601 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mike:

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# BUREAU OF POLICE

J.E. BUD CLARK, MAYOR Tom Potter, Chief of Police 1111 S.W. 2nd Avenue Portland, OR 97204

July 25, 1991

Chief George Monogue Fire Bureau Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear George:

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TOM POTTER Chief of Police

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Bogle



July 25, 1991

Jeff Rogers City Attorney's Office City Hall, Room 315 Portland, Oregon 97204

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DOM POTTER Chief of Police

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July 25, 1991

Steve Bauer Office of Finance and Administration Portland Building, Room 1250 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Steve:

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BUREAU OF POLICE

J.E. BUD CLARK, MAYOR Tom Potter, Chief of Police 1111 S.W. 2nd Avenue Portland, OR 97204

July 25, 1991

Melinda Petersen Bureau of Personnel Services Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Melinda:

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J.E. BUD CLARK, MAYOR Tom Potter, Chief of Police 1111 S.W. 2nd Avenue Portland, OR 97204

BUREAU OF POLICE

July 25, 1991

Felicia Trader Office of Transportation Portland, Oregon 97204

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Chief of Police

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Blumenauer





### BUREAU OF POLICE

July 25, 1991

Tim Grewe Bureau of Financial Planning Portland Building, Room 1250 Portland, Oregon 97204

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TOM POTTER

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Dave Kish Bureau of General Services Portland Building, Room 1204 Portland, Oregon 97204

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### July 25, 1991

David Olson Cable Communications & Franchise Management Portland, Oregon 97204

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Dennis Nelson Bureau of Licenses Portland, Oregon 97204

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cc: Mayor J. E. Bud Clark Commissioner Bogle



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Jacqueline Bloom Intergovernmental Affairs Portland, Oregon 97204

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JUL 2 9 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

May 21, 1991

9150 S.W. Pioneer Ct. Wilsonville, Oregon 97070

Dear Mr. Mabon,

I support your No Special Rights initiative which was announced yesterday. I also supported Measure 8 in 1988. I am a progressive Democrat and do not usually go along with "right-wing" causes but in this case I hope you prevail. The gay rights effort to legitimize homosexuality encourages unhealthy and perverted behavior as well as individuals like Michael Stoops, Hank Dufort, Earl Shriner, Westley Allan Dodd and countless others. Yet when one points out these facts one is labled a Fascist or a Nazi.

I have had some experiences with homosexuals in my business that I want to share with you to illustrate why I support your initiative. I am an apartment owner in Portland. I own eight buildings with 80 units. These are all nice buildings (rents range from \$350 to \$750 per month) against homosexuals or anyone else. Right now I have around 8 to 10 gay and lesbian tenants. I can't be certain because I don't ask and really don't care unless there are problems.

About four years ago two gay male tenants living on the third floor of one of my buildings were engaging in a practice called "mud wallowing." They would get into the bathtub and defecate on each other, roll around and play in it. I learned of this because during these sessions they would frequently (in their exuberance) throw their excrement out the window. It would land on the ground below the open windows of the first floor apartment (it being a hot summer day). The first floor tenants were outraged and reported it to me. These first floor tenants happened to be lesbians who were politically active. They were also fine tenants. They would not make something like this up. The gay male tenants moved out a few months later (I did not evict them but was glad to see them go). About two years later, ironically in the same apartment, I had two other gay male tenants who did the same thing. They were completely unrelated to the first group.

I found out about it when the tub drain became clogged and gallons and gallons of water went into the overflow and into the walls and down through the lower two apartments. Much damage was done. My plumber reported that the tub drain (a 2" pipe as opposed to the 4" toilet pipe) was crammed full of excrement. I evicted the tenants.

This kind of conduct is simply unbelievable and, of course, it's just the tip of the iceberg. I really don't care what people do in private but if it bothers other tenants or damages my bulidings I won't stand for it. You can imagine if gay rights laws are passed how apartment owners would be constrained in dealing with conduct like this. You can just hear them saying, "You can't evict me, I'm a homosexual!" When you consider that 60% of all rental housing in Oregon is owned by mom and pop operations (owners of 10 or fewer units) it's frightening. Imagine the burden on them.

I wish you the best of luck in your efforts. I am enclosing a check for \$100.00 to help with your expenses. I am also enclosing several other items you might find of interest. If you have any literature or relevant information I would appreciate it if you could send it to me. Thank you very much.

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DR. EARL W. RIDDLE 465 N. W. 95th Avenue Portland, Oregon 97229 JUL 2 9 1991

July 27, 1991

Mayor Bud Clark 1220 S. W. 5th Avenue, Rm 303 Portland, OR 97205

Dear Bud:

I am distressed by the attacks of the Oregon Citizens Alliance on the Chief of Police, Tom Potter. That organization has made a lot of noise and would seem to deny the human and civil rights of homosexual persons--- or anyone else who disagrees with their narrow position.

This is just my way of saying to you that I am sure that you will continue to support Tom Potter for the good job he is doing in the Police Department. And, further, that he will be supported in the open position he has taken in assuring the civil rights of all persons...including the lesbian and gay persons.

There is abroad in this day a bigoted position of decrying anyone who wishes to oppose the O.C.A. I trust that you are aware that it is (for God's sake, I hope it is!) a very narrow minority of vocal bigots.

So, hang in there and continue your support of Tom Potter and all persons in the City of Portland who wish to preserve the rights of all persons.

Sincerely

Earl/Riddle United Methodist Minister

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### JUL 2 9 1991

#### MAYOR'S OFFICE

5216 NE 20th Portland, OR 97211 July 26, 1991

Mayor Bud Clark Room 303 1220 SW 5th Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mr. Clark: 🕚

I believe Police Chief Potter is a courageous person. A police chief brave enough to demand of his officers that they protect gays and lesbians is precisely the person who can solve our problems with gangs and crime without destroying our cherished rights. Your recent collusion with the OCA on the July 4th wargasm disturbs me greatly, the more so because I fear that you will give in to pressure from them to remove Chief Potter. I call on you to join Chief Potter in his brave stand against repression.





Picketing outside the embassy in Washington: A South African slip helped turn an obscure protest into a popular, bipartisan cause

### INTERNATIONAL

# **Debating Race and Politics**

### Bishop Tutu and President Reagan disagree on the best way to fight apartheid.

In my view, the Reagan administration's support and collaboration with [the South African government] is immoral, evil and totally unchristian. You are either for or against apartheid, and not by rhetoric. You are either on the side of the oppressed or on the side of the oppressor. You can't be neutral. —Bishop Desmond Tutu

I have always believed that it is counterproductive for one country to splash itself over the headlines demanding another country to do something. It puts the other country in an impossible political situation. You can't appear to be rolling over to the demands of an outsider.

-President Ronald Reagan

A t the White House last week, the bishop and the president sat down for a talk on the relative powers of moral witness and quiet diplomacy. Tutu, who will receive the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo this week, argued that the administration's friendly relations with Pretoria have "worsened the situation of blacks in South Africa." He urged the president to consider sanctions to bring the release of political prisoners and an end to police violence in South Africa's black townships. In reply, the president defended his policy of "constructive engagement." He contended that little had been achieved in the past by threatening South Africa's notoriously recalcitrant government, but that diplomacy had produced tangible results. "I disagree with the bishop," he said.

An impasse was inevitable, but it left the administration on the spot. Around the country, demonstrators were picketing South African embassies and consultes. Prominent politicians, labor leaders and

> civil-rights activists pressed in on the South African Embassy in Washington to be arrested for civil disobedience. Last week it was the turn of Douglas and Rory Kennedy, the teenage children of the late Sen. Robert Kennedy, who presented protest organizers with a note from their mother allowing them to demonstrate. Both Jesse Jackson and Sen. Edward Kennedy announced plans to travel to South Africa. Thirtyfive conservative Republicans

Witness: The Kennedy arrest





July 25, 1991

Honorable Bud Clark Mayor, City of Portland 1220 SW 5th Avenue Portland, Bregon 9720

Dear Mayor Clark,

Although my wife and I do not live within the city limits of Portland, we have very strong feelings regarding the OCA's attempt to discredit Portland's Police Chief, Tom Potter.

We both feel that Portland is indeed fortunate to have a man of such integrity as Tom Potter for it's Chief of Police. Cities should be governed and policed by individuals representing all groups making up it's citizenry.

Sincerely,

Norma M. Walters Orman Walters

14595 SW 91st Avenue Tigard, Oregon 97224

2204 S.E. 34th Avenue Portland, OR 97214 JUL 2 6 1991

July 25, 1991

Mayor Bud Clark Room #303 1220 S.W. 5th Avenue Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

I am writing to ask for your strong support for the Civil Rights Ordinance, which protects against discrimination for sexual orientation, among other rights.

When I moved to Portland three years ago, my decision was based in large part on the diversity and community pride of the entire city. Please don't let Portland lose those qualities. The recent activities of the OCA, the development of racist and bigoted gangs in the metropolitan area, and the current rise in reported hate crimes all point to an increasing need to legally protect and preserve the rights and freedom of at least 10% of the City's population, not to mention a huge number of supporters in the form of family, friends, co-workers, police officers, etc.

I am not asking you to support my lifestyle or afford me any special privileges. I simply ask that you take this opportunity to protect and ensure the freedoms that belong to everyone.

Very Sincerely,

Kim A. White

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JUL 2 3 1991

7543 N. Edgewater St. Portland, OR 97203 MAYOR'S OFFICE July 19, 1991

Mayor Bud Clark 1220 SW 5th Rm 303 Portland, OR

Dear Mayor Clark,

I am writing to express my support of Police Chief Tom Potter.

I read the articles on Chief Potter and his daughter in Just Out and the Oregonian and fail to understand how any rational person could find anything whatsoever to object to in his recognition of the diversity of Portland's population. The operative word here, of course, is "rational." Only the Oregon Citizens Alliance considers acceptance of diversity to be a crime.

In spite of the OCA claim Chief Potter has no affirmative action or hiring preference program in the police force. Nazi Germany used "the big lie" as a propaganda technique. Repeat accusations often enough and many people will believe them. The OCA has used this technique repeatedly with a depressing degree of success. This time it cannot be allowed to work.

Please do not take any action impacting Chief Potter on the basis of the political activities of these bigots.

Sincerly,

Patricía J. Malone

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#### MAYOR'S OFFICE

MAYOR BUD CLARK AND CITY COMMISSIONERS

DEAR SIRS:

I AM WRITING THIS LETTER TO LET YOU KNOW I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB 708A, THE PROPOSED STATE GAY RIGHTS BILL. I DO NOT FEEL THAT HOMOSEXUALITY IS RELATED TO THE CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUE. IT IS AN IMMORAL PERVERTED LIFE STYLE AND AS A VOTER IN GOOD STANDING I TOTALLY OBJECT TO THIS ORDINANCE.

WE DO NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST INDIVIDUALS, BUT WE DO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST IMMORALITY AS IT INFECTS ALL OF US.

IT IS PROVEN MEDICALLY THAT THE VIRUS AIDS WAS ORIGINALLY SPREAD BETWEEN HOMOSEXUALS. IF WE ARE SO FEARFUL OF THIS DISEASE, AND IT IS THE MOST DREADED ONE NOW, WHY ARE WE PROMOTING THE CAUSE OF IT--NAMELY HOMOSEXUALITY. IT DOES NOT MAKE SENSE TO ME.

WE BELIEVE THAT GOD HAS SET STANDARDS FOR US THAT WHEN VIOLATED IT BRINGS A CURSE. THIS IS TRUE THROUGHOUT THE OLD TESTAMENT. THE SCRIPTURES THAT SPECIFICALLY FORBID HOMOSEXUALITY ARE: I TIMOTHY 1:9 & 10; ROMANS 1:18-32; AND I CORINTHIANS 6:9. GOD DID NOT GIVE US THIS COMMAND TO TAKE LIGHTLY. WHEN WE DISOBEY HIS LAWS, WE ARE ONLY HURTING OURSELVES. AIDS IS A GOOD EXAMPLE.

THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME SHARE THIS WITH YOU.

SINCERELY.

Mrs. W. Herron Gresham, OR 97080



Colleen A. Anderson 2405 SE Umatilla (#64) Portland, OR 97202

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

July 11, 1991

Chief Tom Potter Portland Police Bureau 1111 SW 2nd Portland, Oregon 97204

Chief Potter:

I am not a huge income-earner...and don't pay huge taxes. but the fact is that I <u>do</u> pay taxes and have been a resident of Portland for 15 years now.

I've been growing more and more discouraged and fed up with your pro-gay activities lately. I've had friends that were "gay", but they did not express their sexual preference in public--and you darn sure wouldn't have found them in a "gay parade".

I also do not like the fact that anyone who disagrees with your pro-gay activities is labeled a bigot or a nazi. You might not be saying these things yourself, but your quotes and activities most certainly help create the atmosphere that encourages the stating of such comments.

In hindsight, though I'd once thought that Mayor Clark had made a good selection in appointing you to the chief's office, it's now painfully clear that you were a poor choice. I sincerely hope you do seriously consider resigning your position, and letting a more effective person take over; as you've become an obvious liability to the city in your current capacity. I know for a fact that your recent pro-gay political activities have dealt a severe blow to the general morale of the police department--the majority of whom you have humiliated.

Best regards,

Jolleen Q. Anglerson

Plat Bud this is a letter to Ed, In sure you are fet right things and the other sheet enclosed is how low in degeneracy a man will sink, C.N.

Dear Editor;

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A. Louis Toris Lines

Due to the objection of the Oregon Citizens Alliance by the homosexuals I looked up the word perversion in Websters New World Dictionary copyright 1963...Library of Congress Catalogue Card Number: 63 II956. Perversion: a perverting or being perverted.(2) something perverted. (3) Any sexual act or practice considered abnormal.

The word pervert I. to lead astray; misdirect; corrupt; 2. to misuse. 3.to distort; misinterpret. 4. to debase. (noun) a perverted person; especially one who practices sexual perversions.

Sodomy, abnormal sexual intercourse, as between persons of the same sex. The first instance of Homosexual activity in history is dated back to about I700 B.C. approxamately. This was in the area of the border of the Dead Sea the location was on the south border of the Sea. A very wealthy and productive land agriculture wise. Two cities sprang up there and were noted for their wealth and the people became very wicked. The whole population became evil and corrupt so that the cry of it came up to God. In(Genesis I8:20) "And the Lord said, because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous; I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I shall know."

Hot a very rich man who was righteous before God lived in Sodom. He had a wife and several daughters. Two of them were married and two were virgins. In (Genesis 19:1)"And there came two angels to Sodom at evening; and Lot sat in the gate af Sodom: And Lot seeing them rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground; "And he said behold now my,Lords turn in, I pray you, into your servants house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and you shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And they said, nay; but we will abide in the street all night." And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat." But before they layed down the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house around, both old and young, all the people from every quarter. And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, "where are the men who came in to thee this night? Bring them out unto us that we may know them." And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him, And said,"I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly. Behold now, I have two daughters who have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you and do you to them as is good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came under the shadow of my roof."

And they said fstand back, and they said again, This one fellow came to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed hard against the man, even Lot, and came near to break the door. But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut the door.

And they smote the men that were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great; so that they wearied thenselves to find the door.And the men said unto Lot, "Hast thou here any besides?" Son inlaw , and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever you have in the city, bring them out of this place; For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them has become great before the face of the Lord; and the Lord has sent us to destroy it."

And Lot went out and spoke unto his sons in law, who married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for the Lord will destroy this city. But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons inlaw.

And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying,"Arise take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city."

And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters, the Lord being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him outside of the city.

And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, "Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed. And Lot said unto them, Oh not so my Lord!" Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shown unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil overtake me, and I die."

Behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one,Oh let me escape there (is it not a little city) and my soul shall live."

And he said unto him,"see, I have accepted thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for which thou hast spoken." Haste thee, escape there; for I cannot do anything till thou become there."Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.

The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar. Then the Lord rained upon Sodom and Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the Lord out of heaven; And He overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground. But his wife looked back from behind him and she became a pillar of salt. She disobeyed the Lord who said; "Look not behind thee!" Thus we learn what God would not allow to continue the lust of the flesh and such terrible evil and corruption in these cities. This is what happens when man turns away from the goodness of God and never considers His love for mankind and owns Him as Creator, judgment is the answer.

Clarence Nagel

From the desk of WES DRAKE

JUL 2 9 1991 Wes Drake P.O. Box 14572 Portland, OR 97214

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Police Chief Potter Portland Police Bureau 1111 SW Second Ave Portland, Oregon 97204

7/26/91

Chief Tom Potter,

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I'm a lousy letter writer, but can hold back no longer from dropping a line. Of course, this has to do with the recent furor over your active support of "gay rights" and your lesbian policewoman daughter, etc.

Now, I don't belong to the group that has the public debate going on with you about this issue. However, I see that they're taking a hell of a pounding from not only you and the rest of the City Apparatus, but from the mainstream media as well. It takes <u>real</u> courage to make a stand as they have--when they're made out to be so terribly wrong, and I'm certainly not a courageous person; but....I honestly believe they are correct in what they're saying.

I read in today's paper that "Portland's city bureaus and department heads" support you in your pro-gay hiring stand (or "sexual orientation" as the euphimism for homosexualty goes). That certainly isn't a surprise, as at least one city commissioner is a "proud" homosexual--and god only knows how Tom Potter

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many bureaus and departments are staffed by "alternative lifestyle" people.

I firmly believe that homosexuals should not only "stay in the closet," but stop this damn idiocy of trying to maintain that they are "born that way" and somehow deserve recognition as a legitimate "minority." My god, man, where does this sort of crap end?

Having been a lifetime supporter of the Portland Police Department--in good times and bad---I must tell you how unhappy I feel about your focus on "gay rights." You made the comment on TV last night that you couldn't understand why you were being critisized for promoting hiring of homosexuals and riding in the "gay parade"...as you'd been doing for several years. If you can't honestly see the difference between now--when you are Chief--and when you were of lesser rank, then you're far lighter in the intellectual dept than I'd given you credit for.

You're about the tenth Chief in six years serving under the most pathetically weak and waffling mayor in the city's history--at least recent history--and I honestly think you've done a great disservice to the officers of the Police Deptartment. You should consider breaking back to Capt. again--to pursue your homosexual agenda in hiring and "protecting gay rights", and letting someone more competent take over as Chief. As someone who helps pay your wages, I'm completely disappointed with you and your use of a fine Police Department to further your "gay rights" agenda.

Wes Arule

cc: Bud Clark Stan Peters

Wes Drake
JUL 7 5 1991

July 12, 1991

Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark 1220 SW 5th Portland, Oregon 97204

Re: Portland Police Chief, Tom Potter

Dear Mayor Clark,

I am writing this letter as I would like to make my appreciation for Chief Potter and his daughter, Katie, as public as they have made their efforts to demonstrate support for the gay, Lesbian, bisexual and other minority communities.

In order that you may understand some of the reasoning for my stance, I have enclosed a copy of the letter I sent to Chief Potter.

It is my hope that in writing to you, I can help to further the efforts to challenge and defeat those individuals and groups who seek to promote homophobia, racism, sexism... and try to force these hate based ideas onto other citizens and into Oregon's public policy.

Sincerely,

Brian Gorrin, LCSW 1917 SE 41st Ave Portland, Oregon 97214 (503)233-7806

July 4, 1991

Chief Tom Potter Portland Police Bureau 1111 SW 2nd Portland, Oregon 97201

Dear Chief Potter,

I am writing this letter to express my support and appreciation for the efforts of you and your daughter, Katie, regarding your willingness to take a public stance concerning gay, lesbian and bisexual rights as well as other hate crimes.

By coming forward as you have, you offer what I feel are two very important services. First, you make it known that a large and previously overlooked and/or oppressed portion of your/our community will be treated as equal citizens, fully included under the protections of your agency. Second, by taking such a strong stand, you provide valuable and very needed role models for all of our diverse communities. You represent both a supportive parent as well as employer. Katie provides a public example of a healthy capable individual, employed as a public servant, in a position of responsibility, who also happens to be lesbian.

Coming out can be difficult under the best of circumstances, but the open manner in which you and Katie have done this will make it that much easier for those who follow, both those individuals disclosing their orientation and those receiving the information.

Thank you and continued success to you both.

Sincerely.

Brian Gorrin, LCSW 1917 SE 41st Ave. Portland, Oregon 97214

CC: J.E. "Bud" Clark, Mayor Barbara Roberts, Governor Editor, Just Out Editor, Oregonian

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## MAYOR'S OFFICE

#### AN OPEN LETTER TO POLICE CHIEF TOM POTTER

Chief Potter, I am a commissioned officer in the Oregon Army National Guard (ORANG). When I wear my uniform as an officer, I am an official representative of the ORANG and the state of Oregon. I have a professional obligation to separate my personal opinions from my office. I as a citizen have the same rights as everyone else, but when I am in uniform, I am no longer just a citizen, I am an official representative of the state of Oregon. You chief Potter, by wearing your uniform in the gay pride parade, made your personal political agenda (gay rights) the official political agenda of the Portland Police Department. We are instruments of public policy, not makers of public policy!

Your conduct was professionally unethical, and conduct unbecoming of an officer. It is my sincere request that you no longer use your office as chief of police to aggrandize a political agenda, and that you conform to the standards of professionalism demanded as a public servant.

Respectfully,

Stylen on Poll

Stephen M. Pollard

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MAYOR BUD CLARK AND CITY COMMISSIONERS

DEAR SIRS:

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July 12, 1991

Chief Tom Potter Portland Police Bureau 1111 SW 2nd Portland, Or 97204

Dear Chief Potter:

I support wholeheartedly your stance in relation to homosexuality. You are to be commended for taking a public position on this human rights issue. If more public officials were to follow your leadership, speaking out against hate crimes, racism and homophobia, we might as a society begin to recognize and confront our fear of differences.

It is a truisim, but still appropriate: If you are not part of the solution, you are part of the problem. Thanks for being the former.

Sincerely, Jane Comerford 2447 NW Savier Portland, OR 97210

CC; Mayor Bud Clark

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To the Editor:

It is incomprehensible to me that a controversy should arise from a police chief's commitment to lead a department that is not bigoted, discriminatory, or abusive, particularly when in recent months the news have carried so many stories of departments that are rife with bigotry, discrimination, and physical abuse. I am proud and reassured to live in a city whose police chief publicly reiterates the department's goal of protecting the rights of all citizens, not just those of the chosen few with money, power, and standing. Police Chief Potter should be praised, not pummeled, for his wisdom, courage, and moral standing. He has earned my confidence, my respect, and my support.

Sally McPherson 638 S.E. Linn Portland, OR 97202 238-6344

Mayor Clark -FYI. This letter was Sent to The Ovegonian.

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July 10th, 1991

The Honorable Mayor Bud Clark City Hall Portland, OR 97204

I am writing this letter in support of Chief of Police Tom Potter. He has come under attack by the Oregon Citizen's Alliance, a group that purportedly is the guardian of traditional family values. Why, then, do they find it so insulting that Potter should not reject his daughter, and in fact should show publicly his pride in her accomplishments? I personally believe he should be commended for his courage, both as a father of a Lesbian, and as a public servant. His actions serve to build goodwill between many diverse groups. Such foresight should be rewarded. I do hope that he receive support form his superiors while under attack by a group that has publicly stated their desire to punish gay and lesbian human beings, and those who fail to condemn them.

Thank you for your time,

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Diana Avery 4106 W. Amazon Eugene, Or 97405 (503)683-3580 cc: Multnomah County Commissioners, Governor Barbara Roberts, Representative Peter Defazio, Senator Bob Packwood, Senator Mark Hatfield



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# City to mull gay rights ordinance

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THIS WEEK MAGAZINE [] JUNE 12, 1991

# Progress report on local equal rights ordinance

On Wednesday, June 12, at 7 p.m., an update on the progress of the proposed Portland City Ordinance guaranteeing equal rights for gay men and lesbians in the areas of employment, housing and public accomodations will be held. This meeting is organized by the ACLU of Oregon, Lesbian Community Project and Right to Privacy Inc., the three organizations coordinating work on this proposed ordinance. The meeting will be held at the Metropolitan Community Church, located at 1644 N.E. 24th. For more information call 228-5825.

# By CATHY KIYOMURA ...

Portland City Council members will consider drafting an ordinance that would prohibit discrimination against lesbians and gay men.

Commissioner Mike Lindberg said on Tuesday that the city attorney's office will soon complete research on gay rights laws across the nation, and he expects an ordinance will be drafted for Portland in the next few months.

"I'm very supportive, and our goal is to have all five City Council members introduce it," Lindberg said.

Council members received letters this week from members of Right to Privacy PAC, the Lesbian Community Project and the American Civil Liberties Union. Group members asked council members to introduce and pass an ordinance that would ban discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations on the basis of sexual orientation. Gay rights activists made similar requests to a state Senate committee Tuesday in Salem.

"The city ordinance would not give us special rights. It would give us equal rights," said Linda Welch, the administrator of Right to Privacy, a group advocating full rights for lesbians and gay men.

Lindberg said work needs to be done to gain community support before a City Council vote on a gay rights ordinance.

"In Eugene the City Council supported such an ordinance but the voters overthrew it," Lindberg said. "City Council support is just the first step."

Gay rights activists said they would follow up their request to council members with office visits and another letter-writing campaign.

"We've waited long enough," Welch said. "We are concentrating on Portland now, but in the next several years you'll see other campaigns happening all over the state."

### THE OREGONIAN, THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 1991

# Council backs minority rights plan, Lindberg says

Portland City Commissioner Mike Lindberg said Wednesday that the believes the City Council unanimously supports a proposed ordinance that would guarantee equal rights for minorities in employment, housing and public accommodations.

The ordinance is expected to go before the council in early September. If adopted, it would prohibit discrimination by race, religion, creed, sexual orientation, income or disabilities.

Speaking before an estimated 150 persons, Lindberg said he fully supports protecting gay and lesbian citizens, despite a statewide drive by the Oregon Citizens Alliance to exclude sexual orientation as a protected category.

"We can't deal with any of the other issues in the community unless we all have our basic civil rights," Lindberg said. "No one should be discriminated against based on whom they love."

The proposed ordinance, which still is being drafted, will include a way for people to make their cases if they believe they have suffered discrimination.

Lindberg spoke at the Metropolitan Community Church in a meeting called by Right to Privacy Inc., a gay and lesbian political action committee, and by the American Civil Libertics Union of Oregon and the Lesbian Community Project. me

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Editor THE OREGONIAN 1320 SW Broadway Portland, OR 97201 JUL 1 0 1991

Dear Editor:

The Oregon Citizen's Alliance is proposing a measure which would place homosexuality in the category of abnormal behavior. Perhaps this issue can be more clearly understood when juxtaposed with what is currently normal behavior in our country and our community. "Normal" behavior is heterosexual men battering their partners, ex-partners and wives at the rate of one every 11 seconds. "Normal" behavior is heterosexual men raping women at the rate of at least one every minute. "Normal" behavior is heterosexual fathers, grandfathers, brothers, uncles sexually molesting children. Studies indicate that 95% of the sexual abuse of children, both male and female, comes at the hands of heterosexual men. "Normal" behavior is heterosexual men buying and abusing women in prostitution.

It seems to me that there is far more danger and violence being perpetrated by the heterosexual community which brags about its normality than there ever is from the gay and lesbian community.

The OCA wants the right to define normalcy. Compulsory heterosexuality is the norm they wish: and it is that normative behavior which is causing death and lifelong pain to women and children in this community. Heterosexual privelege condones domestic and sexual violence. Those who hate gays and lesbians also most often hate people of colors, people of varying cultures and women.

The OCA fosters hatred and violence towards women and children. Let's not let them decide what should be normal and acceptable behavior.

Toward an end to the violence,

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Tess Wiseheart Executive Director Portland Women's Crisis Line

cc/ Lesbian Community Project Chief Tom Potter Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence Coalition for Human Dignity Mayor Bud Clark Governor Barbara Roberts Council for Prostitution Alternatives

### GERRY NEWHALL 604 SW Westwood Drive Portland, Oregon 97201

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July 9, 1991

Dear Mayor Clark,

I cannot stay silent in the face of the public attacks on Police Chief Tom Potter. Free speech is protected by the 1st Amendment -- theirs AND HIS! The Newhall Family(including Sarah in Thailand and David in Guam) think Tom Potter is doing a competent, creative, effective job as Police Chief. His leadership serves as a role model to members of the Police Department, citizens of Portland and all of Oregon!

The respect he gives to every human being is required in a Democratic society and a livable city like Portland! The Future Focus Committee goal that we "Celebrate and embrace diversity and eliminate bigotry" is being demonstrated by Tom Potter's public and private behaviour. I hope that Chief Potter has had a look at both the Diversity action plan and that of the Crime working group's report. Perhaps he'd take some comfort in the support that is expressed there for his philosophy and behaviour.

The Diversity working group learned a great deal about the on going attacks on gays and lesbians and the prejudice against them in the work place, in finding affordable housing of their choice and in securing lodgings as they travel around Oregon, even when spice is available. Portlanders who envision a city which embraces and celebrates diversity must stand up and be counted so that we can eliminate bigotry and achieve our vision of a more livable city.

It's fair, and it's the right thing to do!

Congratulations, Mayor Clark, on your choice of Tom Potter as Police Chief and your support of a discrimination-free Portland! The Mayor's support of a Police Chief who advocates equal protection under the law of all citizens is essential. Thanks for your firm back up of a courageous man, a fine human being, supportive Father and a top-notch Portland Police Chief!

Sincerely,

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*P.S.* Congratulations on the national recognition you have brought to Portland by your initiating the Future Focus Planning Committee. Your leadership is innovative and I have enjoyed being part of this year long project. ggn

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Peter A. Ravella 3518 NE Ainsworth Portland, OR 97211

Chief Tom Potter City of Portland Police Department 1111 SW Second Ave. Portland, OR 97201

Dear Chief Potter:

I fully support your position to make combating hate crimes against gays and minorities an important part of the Police Department's mission. I also support your effort to recruit new officers from the minority and gay communities as well as from the rest of the community.

I am neither gay nor a minority but I take great comfort in knowing that a rational, thinking individual is heading the Police Department. I have no doubt that with your many years of police experience and extensive training you are an effective law enforcement officer and Chief of Police. Add to that a thinking -rather than reactionary -- perspective on minority and gay issues and a commitment to community policing, and I think Portland has a great Police Chief.

Your courage in addressing these issues and your decision to appear in the Gay Pride Parade is great. Keep up the good work.

cc: Mayor Bud Clark

Gilah Tenenbaum 4015 N. Colonial Portland, OR 97227

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The Oregonian 1320 S.W. Broadway Portland, OR 97201 AAVOR'S OFFICE

To The Editor:

I am writing to commend the fine articles I have read lately in the Oregonian about Chief Potter and his daughter, and your series on alternative families.

In both cases you portrayed loving families who exemplify what the word "family" means: persons who unconditionally love and accept one another, support and nurture one another, and instill values of acceptance and mutual respect.

The Potter family and the family with two gay dads are reminders in particular that, contrary to the ill-informed and fear-driven beliefs of the Oregon Citizens' Alliance and its supporters, lesbians and gays and those that love them are at least as likely to come from, create and demonstrate the very best in American family values as those in "traditional" family units.. The OCA should take a lesson from them.

As the OCA's activities demonstrate, it is homophobia that is destructive and dangerous, not homosexuality. Nontraditional families need extra support and encouragement to survive and succeed amidst such paranoia.

Thank you, Oregonian, for this honest and refreshing reporting.

Gilah Tenenbaum Portland

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JUL 7 0 1991 July 9, 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE 907 N. E. 55" av Office of J. E. Bud Clark 1220 J. W. 5 W Gr. Pariland, Or 97204 Porrent, Or 97213 Rear Mayor: I have defended you in the past when people told me you were queer. Iny comments were, "stupid yes" but queer "ho" Well as usual your support of Som Potter, mr queer and his lesbran daughter reding in the front of the Day and Lection parade proves conclusively that you also are a member of the fluff. Someone lold me that you were a marine. I certainly would have to See documents to prove that " maybe the marines even make mislakes. The mayor which were succeed your miserable stint in office well certainly have some house cleaning to do to be acceptable to the citizins of Portland Oregon. of Portland Oregon. Snayse Potter and daughter can pop beer caps in your your Hollow Haven for queers. Happy Happy 6. Howard Sawyer

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July 7, 1991

Michael Oliver 724 Van Buren Street Oregon City, OR 97045

Mayor Bud Clark Portland City Hall 1120 SW 5th Portland, OR 97205

Dear Mayor Clark:

I was really encouraged that Portland's image might be changing. Till tonight's spectacle on the television, of Chief Potters goons breaking in on a press conference of the OCA. What a bunch of crap! Apparently only some of us have the right to free speech...Please, the public has been very clear on how it feels about politicians who support "special rights" for homosexuals. I believe this gives all of Oregon a bad name, not just Portland.

Please, restrain your appointment to the Police Dept. from his "passion"... No more Bolshevik tactics!

Sincerely,

Michael Oliver

Mrs. Sandra S. Spiegel 1226 S.E. 140th live Bortland, Oregon, July 4, 1991

The Honorable J. E. (Bud) Clark 1220 S.W. 5th J.E. (Bud) Clark Room 303 Sortland, Oregon 97204

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Dear Sir: Support to Chief Botter lauding the stand he has taken in supporting his daughter and the Civil Rights for Jay Deople. Met husband and I also support those rights. We are against the Oregon Citizens alliance and their goal of bigothy. Dotter and his daughter will not be harmed in their profession by the outrageous top this group support of your this letter is in support of your conduct of this group of people Chief Gotter and Civil Rights for Scople.

Yours very truly; Mps. Sandra S. Spiegd

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# DENI STARR

ATTORNEY AT LAW SUITE 521 408 S.W. 2ND PORTLAND, OREGON 97204 TELEPHONE (503) 274-7006

July 5, 1991

Letters to the Editor The Oregonian 1320 S.W. Broadway Portland OR 97204

Dear Friends,

The Oregon Citizen's Alliance has called upon Portland Police Chief Tom Potter to step down from his office because of his support for the Lesbian/Gay community which includes his daughter, Portland Police Officer, Katie Potter.

Apparently the OCA believes that parents who love, affirm and support their children should loose their jobs if those children happen to be gay.

I don't know much about Chief Potter, but I do know that he has been a dedicated public servant for decades. He has genuinely served his community as a citizen. He is a parent who loves and supports his children unconditionally. He thinks that all citizens of Portland have a right to live a life free from violence. He is against violence, crime, bigotry, hatred, privilege and exclusion. His beliefs embody the American principal that justice means equal treatment for all.

No wonder the OCA doesn't like him.

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Attorney at Law cc: Mayor Bud Clark Chief Tom Potter Officer Katie Potter

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### JOHN J. COX 1108 NE Going Portland, Oregon 97211 (503) 284-6807

MAYOR'S OFFICE

May 26, 1991

Mayor J. E. Bud Clark City Hall, Room 303 Portland. OR 97204

Dear Bud,

I am writing to let you know how strongly I support the proposed ordinance prohibiting discrimination against gays and lesbians.

In this time of increasing economic and social polarization it's time for the City of Portland to take a formal stand. With the growing number of other municipalities in the country Portland needs to restate its vision and commitment to civil liberties for all citizens.

Sincerely John J. Cóx

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mongers, I deeply resent this. The Tottom line is that the word of Yod The Day Bible, says Romosequality in any. form is wrong. It is a sin and a perversion. Many of us and praying that leaders in this city of ours would have the Courage To take a stand for morality and righteousness !! There is a "silent" majority out here waiting for that to happen. How about it ???



Dean Mayor Clark -L'urge you to Support the proposed Guil nights ordinance that would make it illegal to discriminate against Jay and lessian people in housing, employment, etc. I feel that you sal Greenped about our Community, and thank you for the support you have given us in the past Duborah Payepasnik M

MR Bud CLArk's office

As a family Man and a concerned litizen of Portland, & think what we have is a grave problem at hand !! I believe you should have DIX Potter rescind his Advocation of Homosexuality in our Public Service Aven! I am greatly concerned that my children one other children might think homosexuality is morality okay. Its not !!! Our children have enough obstacles to Climb without this one! - drugs-gang-videonce -Please stop all this Non-Sense How! If it takes joining the OCIA to take affirmative Action to this problem So buit Thank you MR Jon J Hundsplan 6126 N. Wiber, 97217

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**Robert Friedman** 3431 S.E. Sherman St. Portland, Oregon 97214

MAYOR'S OFFICE

June 16, 1991

Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark City Hall, Rm. 303 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mayor Clark,

I am writing to bring your attention to the proposed ordinance protecting gay and lesbian rights that the City Council has been asked to consider and pass.

This ordinance is of great importance to those who have to potentially expose themselves to the indignities of discrimination due to their sexual orientation. Especially at this time, as the AIDS epidemic presses down so heavily on the lives of so many, it would be uplifting to know that one burden had been lifted.

Please give this most important ordinance your attention and support. Thank you in advance for this consideration.

Cordially,

**Robert Friedman** 

Elizabeth Ussher Groff JUN 2 1 1991 4205 S.E. Ramona Portland, Dr. 97206 June 18, 1991

Mayor Bud Clark City Hall 1220 S.W. 5th Portland, Or. 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

As someone who has been involved in issues of race relations for over twenty years, I have been in many discussions of racism and several anti-racism workshops. Nonetheless, I recently entered into participation in the unlearning racism workshops given by Guadalupe Guajardo, Kathleen Herron and Cliff Jones with some misgivings and questions about the experience ahead. Now, after nine hours of workshops, I can say uncategorically that they have been positive and productive and that you have been wise in choosing to support them.

The leaders have several qualities and approaches that contribute to the unique and excellent presentations: they understand the importance for every member of our society of exploring his or her heritage; they are able to present concepts such as "targeting" which help us to understand the biased actions and attitudes of ourselves and others, seeing how they can have a negative snowball effect on society; they are honest and supportive in their interactions with participants, which leads to an atmosphere in which people can explore their attitudes and beliefs without feeling threatened, guilty or bad about themselves; they work together with one another in a style of mutual respect, consideration and comraderie that is a positive model in itself.

In addition to helping raise awareness, the workshops provide an excellent opportunity for the members of the group to understand each other better. Because of the affirmative approach taken by the leaders, there is also the potential for a positive bonding experience that would be benefical to the staff or workers in any organization, institution or workplace. I wish that this experience of gaining insight into ourselves and our society could be spread to many more. A lot of conflict, problems and unhappiness in schools, workplaces and churches might be mitigated or avoided.

The support that the City of Portland has lent these workshops through the initial grant and continued funding is a contribution that will be well worth every penny in helping to bring about positive social change.

Sincerely, Elizabeth Ussker Proff

cc: Commissioners



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Dear Bud,

I believe that a yes vote on SB708 is long overdue. Besides paying taxes since the beginning of time, gays and lesbians have been and are very responsible and upstanding citizens. Alease consider that we are fighting for rights which others have abused for many years

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RECEIVED MAY 2 9 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

May 22, 1991 3015 NE Weidler Portland, Oregon 97232

Mayor Clark 1220 SW 5th, Room 303 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mayor Clark,

Please encourage and support passage of the Portland City Ordinance that prohibits discrimination of Lesbians and Gays. Passage of this ordinance by mid-June would certainly add an air of recognition and achievement to the festivities of our Lesbian and Gay Pride celebration.

Sincerely, May halow

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

5423 SE Harold Portland, OR 97206 May 24, 1991

Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark City Hall, Room 303 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Gay/Lesbian Community who live and pay taxes in the City of Portland. The need for a City ordinance prohibiting discrimination against gays and lesbians has been discussed within the community for many years, and recently has been discussed informally with City Commissioners.

I am writing to let you know that I believe that now is the time to make such an ordinance a reality. I respectfully request that every effort be made to adopt an ordinance by mid June, 1991, in time for celebration of Lesbian and Gay Pride Day.

Thank you for your consideration of this request, and for your recognition of the need to include basic civil right protection for gays and lesbians in City Ordinances.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mayor Clark: MAYOR'S OFFICE

As a musician, teacher, and gay person living and working in Portland, I urge you to take the steps neccessary to put a city-wide Gay Rights Ordinance into action by June 22nd, 1991 (Lesbian/Gay Pride Day in Portland). It is long overdue, and vital to keeping talented workers and artists in our vibrant and lovely city.

Respectfully Submitted, Bett-Hano Beth Hamon

Patricia Sexton 1626 S.E. Alder#5 Portland, OR. 97219

6-11-91

JUN 13 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

Dear Mayor Clark,

I'm writing to thank you for your Strong and consistent support the passage of a city ordinance that would prohibit discrimination against lesbians and gaymen. As a lesbian citizen who chooses not to hide her identity, I live in continuing hope of, one day, no longer having to warry about loosing my job or home. It seems insane that those threats exist, but they do, as you know. I urge you to continue your efforts to see this ordinance become a reality. Thanks agains

Yours truly, Patrica Left

RECEIVED JUN 7 0 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

07 June 1991

Mayor JE "Bud" Clark City Hall Room 303 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

I would like to take a moment of your time to let you know my feelings towards the <u>CITY OF PORTLAND ORDINANCE FOR LESBIAN AND GAY</u> <u>RIGHTS</u>.

I am a 36 year old Gay man who pays his taxes, works 40 hours a week, waits for the "walk" sign on street corners and loves the Rose Festival. I enjoy what everyone else does in Portland.

With this Portland Ordinance, I, as a Gay man, am not asking you for any special privileges or rights. All I am asking you to do is let me keep and exercise the basic rights as guaranteed to <u>ALL</u> citizens by the Constitution and Bill of Rights. All I am asking is to be treated like everyone else in the City of Roses when it comes to basic day-to-day living.

I am asking you to judge me by WHO I am, not WHAT I am. After all, would you appreciate being denied your basic rights, (such as living where you want to live, working where you want to work, or living with whom you wish to live with) because you are a woman, an African American, Jewish, or, heaven forbid, you have a beard and do not fit the clean cut American image.

Thank you for your time and please, vote in favor of the Ordinance. After all, what if the shoe were on the other foot.....

Sincerely,

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Steve Keith Aho 2050 NW Glisan Portland, Oregon 97209 (502) 248-0863

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June 6, 1991

Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark City Hall Room 303 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark,

Portland is my home; it's a wonderful city and all of its citizens deserve to have basic human rights. Right now, however, many people in Portland are denied basic rights. I find that appalling.

I am writing to urge you to support the Lesbian and Gay Rights Ordinance. I want Portland to be a safe place for all people to live.

Thank you for your time and your support.

Sincerely,

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Steven O'Dell / 1727 NE 16th Avenue Portland, OR 97212-4422 (503)-281-9009

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MAY 24 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE Wed. May 22, 1991 Dear Mr. Mayor, First of all, I would like to thank you for standing up for human rights and publicly condemning the anti-gay initiative proposed by the Oregon Citizens alliance. Knowing that local officials will defend the rights of lesbians and gays makes Portland feel like a safer place. Secondly, I am writing to ask you to go beyond a surely defensive stance, and support a city ordinance that would actively affirm the civil rights of lesbians and gays Discrimination against lespian gay and bisexual people is the last discrimination that is legally permitted in Portland. Now is the time to end that discrimination. Portland can lead the way for the whole Northwest in overcoming unreasonable fear against lesbian and gay people. Please poss encourage this ordinance's passage by mid-fine-in time for lesbian and Gay Pride Week. elin counting on you to stand up for my rights. Sincerely, Julie Swinsky 1229 SE 37th Ave PDX, OR 97214

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MAY 24 1991

MAYOR'S OFFICE

Monique Albrecht 3236 N.W. Wilson Portland, OR 97210

May 19, 1991

Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark City Hall, Room 303 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

I am writing to ask you to support the passage of a city ordinance which would protect Portland's gay and lesbian community from discrimination. As you know, at present gays and lesbians can be discriminated against in terms of employment, rental and sale of housing, and public accommodations. I am aware that prominent members of the gay and lesbian community and advocacy groups have submitted a letter asking you to pass the civil rights ordinance which would ban discrimination against gays and lesbians. As a resident of Portland, I am asking you to support this ordinance.

Portland's gay and lesbian community deserves justice in return for their valuable contributions. Today, more than we realize, these men and women are the protective police officers, the wise judges, the dedicated students, and the loving mothers and fathers that we encounter everyday in Portland. It is beyond reason that gays and lesbians, who contribute to their city with both mind and muscle, face unchecked and ignorant discrimination. I hope that the Portland City Council will choose to respect and protect the rights of Portland's gays and lesbians who are valuable contributors to Portland's cultural, business, social, and political spheres.

I am a member of Portland's gay and lesbian community. I have recently graduated from one of Oregon's best academic institutions (Willamette University) and intend to reside and work in Portland where I was born and raised. With Portland's scenic beauty, diversity, and friendly populous, I would not choose to live anywhere else in the United States. I hope that when applying for work, buying my first house, and insurance, that the city which I call my home will protect me from discrimination. Please support the city ordinance, which would protect the rights of citizens, like myself, to reap the benefits of the social contract to which we all are bound.

Sincerely yours Albrectos

Monique Albrecht

Rosenthal & Greene, P.C.

ELDEN M. ROSENTHAL MICHAEL A. GREENE B. CARLTON GREW Attorneys at Law

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June 4, 1991

JUN 06 1991

Mayor Bud Clark 1220 SW 5th Room 303 Portland, OR 97204

> RE: Workshop on Unlearning Racism; Declaring Portland a Racism Free Zone

Dear Mayor Clark:

I recently attended an anti-racism workshop presented by the Southeast Uplift Neighborhood Program. The workshop was excellent; it both taught and inspired me to do more in the struggle against racism. I urge you to continue, and expand, city funding for this program. Even in this financially troubled time, racism is a poison we must fight, or pay a very high price. Portland needs more programs like this.

I also urge you to actively support the effort to declare Portland a racism-free zone.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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MAY 2 2 1991 MAY OR'S OFFICE

Dear Mayor Clark,

I have been a resident voter in Portland for five years now. Portand is a wonderful city with a lot of wonderful people. This is the first time I have ever written you or about an issue that affects · gays and lesbians. I am happy to say I have never had any discrimination, towards me regarding my Sexual being. I hope this will continue to hold true. with your help and support the gay community Can live without the worry of injustice. I would like to Clarity that we are not asking for "special" rights or privileges. We are only asking for protection that everyone has been entitled to have. I know life does not have guarantees but I believe the future does have promise. Thank you for your time and concern. Raymond Oscore 9-20205 SW main, #405 Portland 97205

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City Commissions 1220 SW Fith Ave. Portland, DR 97204

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I am writing to you in response to an editorial on gay rights (Just Out, May 1991). I would take you to know that I support a city ordinance prohibiting discrimination against gays and lesbrans. The editorial said you needed mainstream support - here it is. I agree with the editorial: The time is right now Mt M.KI



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The Mayor's Office 1220 SW 5TH Room 303 Portland, OR 97204

5-10-91 Dear Mayor Clark, I unge your support for the up coming ordinance supporting prohibiting descrimination against lesbians and gays. This important civil rights legistlation is long over due; it would be most appropriate to pass it by mid June Thank you Keethy Casser



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Mayor Bud Clark City Hall 1220 SW 5th Avenue Portland OR 97204

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#### Dear Mayor Clark:

Please do all you can to get the City Council to pass a sexual orientation anti-discrimination ordinance.

This legislation is long overdue in the City of Portland.

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5-19-91 Dear Mayor Clark,

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May 19, 1991 Dear Bud Clark Please support the passage of a city ordinance prohibiting discrimination of gay men & lesbie It is past time to recognize the important contributions lesbians legay men make to our community m granting all citizen's Cion rights Sincerely, Kathy Garrett O PT



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Cety Commissioners 1220 SW Sth Portland, OR 97204

May 19, 1991 Dear Commissioners: I hope you will complete the ordinance you are working on prohibiting discremenation of gay men and respirans tatso hope men and lesbians Turso up each of you will support its passage (Ideally before mid-fune for Lesbian & gay Pride) Et's time (past time actually) that we recognize the important contrubutions lesbians & gay men make to our community by grantin all citizens civil rights. Sincerely, Kathy Garrei



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City Commissioners 1220 SW Fifth Ave Portland OR 97204

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May 11, 1991

Dear City Commissioners:

Portland needs an ordinance prohibiting discrimination against gays and lesbians. Please support this ordinance, as gays and lesbians have been supporting you in your offices of this sometimesfair city.

Why have the new Nazis found Portland such an inviting place to be? The passage of this ordinance might make the New Aryans and their co-horts a little bit tempted to leave, a little more uncomfortable.

Sincerely Dr. Anne Dawid

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AND. OR STIL hizo Johnson National Flag Day 3756 SE Stephens Portland, OR 97214 13 MAY RECEIVED For The Pledy, elosen 1991 MAY 1 4 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE The Mayor's Office 1220 SW 5th, Rm 303 Portland, OR 97204

May 13, 1891 Dear Mayor Clark, I am writing to unge you to pass the Portland City Ordinance prohibiting discrimination against Lesbians and gay men by mid Sune. This ordinance is an important and long over due civil uphts protection for Oregon citizens. Sincerely, Lisa Johnson Ø OST Card Portland, OR 97214 post card

JUN 04 1991 June 3, 1991 45 5E 57 TH ANE Portland, R 97215 .. Dear Mayor Clark: I am writing to you to unge your support for a Lesbian & Gay Right; Ordinance. in the city of Portland, It is sad, to me, that in this "modern" day a protection like the ordinance is needed, but I shoughy believe that it is needed ... and Now! Of course, I like for the day when all humankind can live side by side, without the bear of discrimination. Until that day is here, homener, we must stike to protect all, This ordinance would be a step in that derection. Most Sincerely, CS Baul A. Schneider Ol

Cynthua Zrinyi 3515 NE Morris Portland, DR

Dear Mayor Bud Clark. I am writing to encourage you to pass the Portland aty Ordinance prohibiting descrimination 9 Leobrana and Days. At would be wonderful if this ordinance were passed in Time for Lesbian + GAY pride - June 22. Thanks for Listening RECEIVED Cynthia Juny.

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## BLACK-EYED SUSAN (Rudbeckia hirta)

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This prolific wildflower of dry fields, wasteplaces, and open woods can be found over almost the entire United States east of the Rockies. The robust perennial plants bloom in bright abundance from June to October, and may grow to be 3' in height. The sturdy stems and long narrow leaves are covered with stiff, bristly hairs. Large, single flowers top each stem, Each flower has 10 - 20 dark yellow rays surrounding a chocolate-colored central disk which produces seeds. Black-eyed Susans, also known as Yellow Daisies, were natives of the West and introduced into the East in seed samples of clover. Early settlers used the plants to help heal skin infections – and modern research has shown that extracts from Black-eyed Susans do have antibiotic properties!

Wildflower Notes Copyright 1975 and published by the National Wildlife Federation, Washington, D. C. 20036. Proceeds from this purchase go towards our conservation programs.

Dear Mayor Bud Clark, I'm writing you to ask for support for the possible City ordinance prohibiting discrimination of Lesbians and Gays. I Know you have been supportive of the Lesbian and Gay community in the past, (one of the reasons I voted for you) and I hope you'll pull for "4s" on this issue PT Thank-you den dog them 3137 NIE. 78th PHId 97213

Tracy Waters 14207 Newberry Rd. Portland, Oregon 97231 RECEIVED MAY 2 0 1991 May 17, 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE Dear Bud are ny A en ( (D) 06 en. st . 0 9 (1 US 0 A. lan ANH ----at ome.

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May 24, 1991

Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark City Hall, Room 303 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

It's time to pass an ordinance protecting the rights of gay men and lesbians. In doing so, we will be receiving equal and fair treatment under the law. Lon Mabon and people of that ilk will not stop. HELP US NOW.

Sincerely, Daw & angel

Rod B. Campbell David L. Wingfield

RECEIVED MAY 2 4 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

May 24, 1991

Representative Margaret Carter State Capitol Salem, OR 97310

Dear Representative Carter:

The Senate has passed the Lesbian and Gay Rights Bill, and we urge your support when it arrives in the HOUSE.

Are we asking for special rights or for the same rights that all citizens should enjoy.

We are in our 17th year of a committed relationship. Is loving and caring for each other grounds to discriminate against us?

Lon Mabon is on the move again. We may not be able to stop hatred, but we need your support to put a road block in his path.

Sincerely, fod B. Cargocur De. Winghe >> and

Rod B. Campbell David L. Wingfield 35 NE Morris Street Portland, OR 97212

MAY 2 3 1991

The Honorable Bud Clark Mayor of the City of Portland 1220 SW 5th, Room 303 Portland, OR 97201

Dear Mayor and City Commissioners,

We are addressing you today on behalf of our gay and lesbian friends and associates in our community of Portland. We urge you to pass the Lesbian and Gay Rights Ordinance presented to you by a Steering Committee with representatives from the Lesbian Community Project, Right to Privacy and the ACLU Commission on Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Rights.

We believe this ordinance effects all residents of our city and urge your support for justice and equality for all Portland citizens.

Thank you for your consideration, and we hope to see the adoption of a City ordinance prohibiting discrimination against gays and lesbians by mid-June, 1991, in time for celebration of Lesbian and Gay Pride Day.

Sincerely,

Donna & Chip Ross-Gardes

8922 N.W. Germantown Rd. Portland, OR 97321

MAY 1 7 1991

MAYOR'S OFFICE

May 16, 1991

The Honorable J.E. "Bud" Clark 1220 S.W. Fifth Avenue Room 303 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

The Metropolitan Human Relations Commission strongly supports the passage of an ordinance that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. Because it is clear that such discrimination exists, we urge all City Council members to address the problems faced by gay and lesbian members of the community by passing such an ordinance as soon as possible.

We understand that there are potential state preemption problems, and we are encouraged that the City is addressing those concerns. Theefore, we urge the City Council to pass an ordinance protecting the civil rights of gay and lesbian men and women as soon as the State legislature adjourns.

Very truly yours,

Luis Machorro Interim Executive Director

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Multnomah County

1120 S.W. Fifth Avenue Room 516 Portland, Oregon 97204-1989 (503) 796-5136 (503) 796-5393/TDD





RECEIVED MAY 1 7 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

May 15, 1991

The Mayor's Office 1220 S.W. Fifth, Room 303 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

I understand the City is considering an ordinance prohibiting discrimination against lesbians and gays. I urge you to support and promote such an ordinance. It is about equal rights, not special rights. Please do not be swayed by the vocal opposition of a minority of uninformed or misinformed citizens.

Lesbians and gays vote, pay taxes, and contribute to the community too. We deserve some protection in these increasingly homophobic times.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

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May 20, 1991

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Mayor Bud Clark City Hall, Room 303 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark,

I am writing to ask you to take the lead in passing a City of Portland ordinance banning discrimination of lesbians and gays by June 22, 1991- Gay and Lesbian Pride Day.

I want to thank you for your past support of the lesbian and gay community. This ordinance would be a natural progression of that support.

Over 100 U.S. cities have passed similar ordinances. We in Portland who pride ourselves in our open, accepting, fair, and progressive city need to do the same. We need to offer basic civil rights to all of our citizens. Without this ordinance many Portlanders are without basic protections against discrimination.

A City of Porland ordinance banning discrimination of lesbians and gays is needed now.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Many J. Larsen Nary J. Larsen 1406 5E 2844 Brillend, OR 97214



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May 20, 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

Mayor Bud Clark 1220 SW 5th Room 303 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mayor Clark,

I am writing to urge you to create and support a city ordinance that would prohibit discrimination against gays and lesbians in Portland. For years city officials have been saying they support this community, but that the time just wasn't right for this kind of an ordinance. Well, sir, I believe the time is right and I believe that officials in all levels of government need to take responsibility and help the gay and lesbian community get the protection and legal support they so richly deserve. The gay and lesbian community is an active one and contributes in innumerable ways to enrich Portland and the state of Oregon. This community works diligently to overcome discrimination to all minorities and to help make this a community that we can all enjoy living in -- AND one that we can all be safe in. I urge you to create an ordinance that would return the support to a community that has contributed so much. Don't let inactivity make you part of the group that continues to overtly or covertly oppress gays and lesbians.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Margaret J. Moore

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5415 S.W. 19th Dr. Portland, Or., 97201-2013 17 May 1991

Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark City Hall, Room 303 Portland, Or., 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

The lesbian and gay community leaders have asked that the Portland City Council introduce and pass an ordnance to ban discrimination against lesbian and gay citizens in the City of Portland.

As members of the First Congregational Church we are on a task force studying this question and we are recommending that our congregation as a body affirm that we will support all who profess Christianity regardless of their sexual orientation. This action is in accordance with the recommendation of the ruling body of the United Church of Christ of which we are members.

While we recognize that passage of such an ordnance will not insure that there will no longer be discrimination against this group of citizens, it will make it more difficult and in time will ease the unjust burden which they bear.

Thank you for your attention and support.

Sincerely yours,

Winthrop A. Wells

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RECEIVED MAY 1 3 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

May 10, 1991 1724 N. Webster Street Portland, Oregon 97217

Mayor Clark 1220 SW 5th, Room 303 Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mayor Clark,

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Sincerely, Chus Mack Chris Mack

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

May 10, 1991 3124 N. Terry Street Portland, Oregon 97217

Mayor Clark 1220 SW 5th, Room 303 Portland, Oregon 97204

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May 14, 1991

Mayor J.E. Clark City Hall, Room 303 Portland OR 97204

Lesbian and Gay Rights Ordinance

Dear Mayor Clark:

As a constituent, I urge you to pass the ordinance protecting the rights of gay men and lesbians by Gay and Lesbian Pride Day, June 22, 1991.

Please give your decision much time and thought from the thousands of us out there in the Portland area.

Very truly yours,

Edward C. Conrad, III

1425 SE 30th Portland OR 97214

RECEIVED MAY 1 5 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark City Hall, Room 303 Portland, OR 97204

Now IS the time.

Now IS the time to pass an ordinance protecting the rights of Gay Men and Lesbians.

What's NOT timely is to <u>withhold</u> the civil rights of a certain segment of the community.

Lesbians and Gay Men don't *just* want civil rights, don't *just* deserve civil rights, don't *just* need civil rights. It is basically that the City Council HAS to NOW **confirm and recognize the presence of a significant community** in the City of Portland.

You have all heard the standards recognizing 1 in 10 as a Gay Man or Lesbian. Or have you? Anyway, let's translate mathematically:

> 1 in 10 is 10 in 100 is 100 in 1,000 is 1,000 in 10,000 is 10,000 in 100,000 is 100,000 in 1 Million is... get it? There aren't just 10 Gay people in Portland.

A lot of people are watching you right now. People that expected you to be an ally to the needs of all citizens of the City of Portland. Not to just the pretty ones, not to just the rich ones, not to just the homeless ones...to ALL of Portland... (and especially NOT just to the ones who want to be mayor and who don't think they will be elected if they say **YES** to **BASIC CIVIL RIGHTS** for all Portland citizens including gay men and lesbians).

Now IS the time. Please support the Lesbian and Gay Rights Ordinance.

Barbara Eichberger c/o 522 SW Fifth, Suite 1390 PORTLAND, OR 97204

RECEIVED MAY 1 6 1991 MAYOR'S OFFICE

2405 NE 16th Portland, OR 97212 May 15, 1991

Mayor J.E. Bud Clark City Hall, Room 303 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

I am writing to ask your support in passing the Ordinance protecting the rights of gay men and lesbians. Please do this in time for Gay and Lesbian Pride Day on June 22nd.

It is time our city went on record as protecting all its citizens.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Not only do I vrge your support of an ordinance for equal rights for gay and lesbigns, but I also want to extend my gratitude for being a citizen-mayor. Your decision to limit your term to two terms is a credit to your sinverty as a citizen and statesman. Page 2 Although my family is not homo sexual they too support this effort to end hatgred and bigotry. My brothers, Ken and Carl, reside in Portland and wish to let you know they support this ordinance. For the sake of homosexuals and hetero sexuals alike, please support an effort to put an end to this inequality that has no place in a "free" country. best sincerely, Kevin Beiser

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

4138 A.E. Madison At. Portland, On 97215 May 14, 1991

Mayor J.E. "Bud" Clark City Hall, Room 303 Poitland, On 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

I am writing to unge you to pass an ordinance which would protect the rights of lisbians and gay men. As a leabian I have referenced discrimination. My partner and I were listed from our apartment because we were leabians. We had no legal recourse to the writing. There is a reed for leabians and gay men to have protection against discrimination in employment, housing and accommodations.

Sincerely, Ganet a. Atephany



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ALL YOU'S

20 Condolea Drive Lake Oswego, OR 97035-1004 June 1, 1991

Mayor Bud Clark City Hall, Room 303 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Clark:

I am writing to encourage you to support passage of a city ordinanace to protect Portland's gay men and lesbians from discrimination. Please help to assure these citizens of the same rights that are enjoyed by others in the community. It would be great for Portland to join the cities across the country which are finally beginning to pass such anti-discrimination ordinances and for this to be accomplished in time to be celebrated as part of Gay and Lesbian Pride Day later this month.

Although I do not live in Portland, my home is only a few blocks beyond the city limits, and this matter is of concern to me because I work in Portland and I go to Portland for entertainment and cultural activities several times a week and because I have many gay friends who live and work in Portland.

Sincerely yours, le

Lyle M. Tucker

Mayor Bud Clark 1220 SW 5th Room 303 Portland, Oregon 97204 MAY 3 0 1991

Dear Mayor Clark,

I am writing to urge you to create and support a city ordinance that would prohibit discrimination against gays and lesbians in Portland. For years city officials have been saying they support this community, but that the time just wasn't right for this kind of an ordinance. Well, sir, I believe the time is right and I believe that officials in all levels of government need to take responsibility and help the gay and lesbian community get the protection and legal support they so richly deserve. The gay and lesbian community is an active one and contributes in innumerable ways to enrich Portland and the state of Oregon. This community works diligently to overcome discrimination to all minorities and to help make this a community that we can all enjoy living in -- AND one that we can all be safe in. I urge you to create an ordinance that would return the support to a community that has contributed so much. Don't let inactivity make you part of the group that continues to overtly or covertly oppress gays and lesbians.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Helen R. Ware

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Mayor "Bud" Clark City Council Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mr. Clark:

I understand that you are in favor of teaching children that homosexual behavior is "okay". It has been suggested that this is because you have accepted so much money from this special interest group. If this is so, I can understand your official position. It is difficult for me to believe that this is truly what you want our children to be taught.

I am not out on a "witch hunt"...nor "gay bashing"...or any other kind of "bashing". I want all of these people to leave my children alone!

I am enclosing a copy of the letter that I sent to the Secretary of State, Mr. Phil Keisling. This explains how I feel regarding this subject. Please share this with the other members on the council.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely, linne Clausor

JoAnne Clawson 9615 N. Ivanhoe St. Portland, Or. 97203

June 1, 1991

Mr. Phil Keisling Secretary of State 141 State Capitol

Salem, Oregon 97310-0722

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Regarding LC 4094 Draft to be part of Article I of The Constitution of the State of Oregon, Section 41 does embrace "one subject only and matters properly connected therewith".

Homosexual behavior is abnormal. It is not an "Alternative Life Style". For years I have tried to be tolerant, but now I find I am being pushed into making a stand. And I must stand for what is right. There is no chance for a new life to be born between homosexuals. If everyone were homosexuals, eventually life would cease to exist. If there were no homosexuals, life would certainly continue.

Now, homosexuals and their advocates want to go into the schools and teach my children and my grandchildren that perversion is okay, and only an alternative life style. It is not! All six (6), pedophilia, sadism, masochism, homosexuality, bestiality and necrophilia are abnormal, unnatural and perverse conduct. And I don't want anyone teaching my children and my grandchildren that it is "okay"! And again, engaging in any of these sexual behaviors, cannot produce a new life.

I choose to instill my own code of morals into my family. I will not ask the schools to teach it to them. I will not ask the State to pass a law, stating my way must be taught to everyone. Neither will I tolerate someone else teaching "moral(?) ethics" to my family!

I believe it is time to set a standard for Oregon's youth, and to let them know that these behaviors are to be discouraged and avoided. These children are our future.

Thank you for considering my comments to the review.

Sincerely, unne Alawson

JoAnne Clawson 9615 N. Ivanhoe St. Portland, Oregon 97203

cc: Jack Graham, Director, Elections Division

8917 N. Van Houten, 97203 6 adurar a 5-30-91 12 opposed pro oct. Aver anti abortion ()Mayer Bud Clark and the city counsel' You guys have really gone off the deep end now, supporting gay rights is as almost as stupid as letting Satan himself run this city! (He just about does any way, but not officially) You mean to tell me you support the rights of people who are literally paying for their lives, by the acte they commit, through AIDS, suicide, and insanity ! Bays want to be treated like the net of we, as "normal", but how can a segment of the population be called normal when they commit such lead acts of sectomy such as anal sex, orect sex, multiple partnerships, pedaphilia, porrography, and cometimes ritual murder a rape? That is not normal, not by a country mile! But you support it through your actions of the past 2 weeks against the OCA, and over the past decade against the rest of the community. "I ag prido? What's so prideful about it ? all piede and arrogance is going to do is hasten their dounfall, and your's too. This city reminds me of Babylon, she boasts of her power and security, yet her children are being slaughtered at the alter of a man made god, her people engaging in all sorte of lead, vident behavior, having no sence of right or wrong, and the warnings from Godly people are ignored and laughed at. Well, I can't wait to see who gets the last laugh around here! Could Portland become a heap of ruins like Babylon, That it a inhabitants are wild doys and creatures that come down PE act of the West Hills? I think so, and with the foolishness you've shown of late the likelyhood is even greater! Martin M Kennedy PI

PS-I don't hato gays - it's their behavior and their open desplays of it that are something worth hating, these people are mere intoms of Their Auste, Their sin, and they cannot find a way out on their own becover they are trapped by the very darkness that put them there. But instead of kelping these folke, before they fell, we try to accomadate them by compromising our owneelvee and giving up ground to them.

Now they have become a massive power tase that literally has no regood for morality, truth, or God. They want to teach our bids that it's O.K. to be gay, they support the bloodshed of 450 semborn batries a week here in Portland, they cry out for "safe sex" when AIDS is running out of control (kindof like plugging a dambaeak with a cork - it's way too late?), and they don't want the OCA a any other God fearing person to puch Dod's morality on them? Why not? They are pushing Their kind of immorality on the church, the schools, the government, and the community.

If this sounds like a war, it is, but not a war of gune and cruise missiles, but a war of the spirit - between right and wrong, good and eril, love and hatnes, and hope and hopelessness.

Bupporting gay rights is a hopeless cause, it is evil, it is wrong, and it promotes hatred. Why con't you all see this? (I know why, but do you?)

I've lived here all my life, I've seen some pretty strange things come out of city hall, but what you're doing now is a crowning achievement in sheer stupidity and literally blasphemes the very God given roles your positions of office require.

May God'e will be done, I hope the cries of His people are heard - become the alternative may be too horrible to endure.