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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Dear Mayor Clark,

I have been a resident voter in Portland for five years now. Portland 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 clarify 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 Osborne

20205 SW main, #405

Portland 97205

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Dear Mayor Clark - 5/20

Hi - We've met through the Southeast Uplift Anti-Recession Program - Today, I'm writing to ask your support for the Lesbian + Gay Rights Ordinance - This is not just "special protection" - It extends rights everyone now has to an un-protected class - Please give this your support - Thanks -

Kathleen Heron

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

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CITY AUDITOR

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 Portland ordinance banning discrimination of lesbians and gays is needed now.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

*Mary J. Larsen*

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1406 SE 28th

Portland, 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 Moore*

Margaret J. Moore

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Dear Commissioners:

I hope you will complete the ordinance you are working on prohibiting discrimination of gay men and lesbians. I also hope each of you will support its passage (Ideally before mid-June for Lesbian & Gay Pride) It's time (past time actually) that we recognize the important contributions lesbians & gay men make to our community by granting all citizens civil rights. Sincerely, Kathy Garrett

May 19, 1991

Dear Bud Clark,

Please support the passage of a city ordinance prohibiting discrimination of gay men & lesbians. It is past time to recognize the important contributions lesbians & gay men make to our community by granting all citizens civil rights.

Sincerely,

Kathy Garrett

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Dear Mayor Clark,

Please support the Lesbian & Gay Rights Ordinance. All minorities deserve their legal rights protected.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lily Roselyn


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1502 SE 12th.  
Gresham OR 97080  
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Mayor Clark,

I am writing as a member of L.C.P. & RTP. and as someone who works in and spends a good deal of non-work time in Portland. I urge you to support the passage of the Lesbian & Gay Rights Ordinance. I believe it is time that Portland join other progressive cities in banning discrimination on sexual orientation.

Sincerely,

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

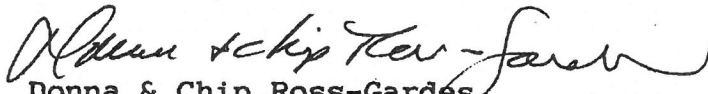
Dear Mayor and City Commissioners,

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 affects 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

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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,

*Rod B. Campbell*

*David L. Wingfield*

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

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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,

*Rod B. Campbell*  
*David L. Wingfield*

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

May 19, 1991

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

OFFICE OF THE  
CITY CLERK

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

*Monique Albrecht*  
Monique Albrecht

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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 purely defensive stance, and support a city ordinance that would actively affirm the civil rights of lesbians and gays.

Discrimination against lesbian, 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 ~~you~~ encourage this ordinance's passage by mid-June -- in time for Lesbian and Gay Pride Week. I'm counting on you to stand up for my rights.

Sincerely,

Julie Swinsky

1229 SE 37th Ave  
PDX, OR 97214

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**RESOLUTION No. 34858**

**Denouncing the Oregon Citizens Alliance's anti-gay and lesbian legislative initiative; reaffirming the City of Portland's pursuit of remedies to bias and prejudice; and supporting the civil rights of Portland's Lesbian and Gay communities.**

**WHEREAS:** the City of Portland through prior resolution has recognized that incidents of malicious harassment, violence and vandalism based on race, religion and sexual orientation are increasing in the City of Portland; and,

**WHEREAS:** the Portland City Council has previously denounced all groups espousing doctrines of hatred based on race, religion or sexual orientation; and,

**WHEREAS:** the Oregon Citizen's Alliance has submitted for the Oregon initiative process a Constitutional amendment which is hateful, mean spirited, bigoted and biased against gay men and lesbians and if enacted may help foster a climate which brings physical and emotional harm to Oregonians; and,

**WHEREAS:** the Portland City Council is committed to help insure that all of the people of our city live free of bias, bigotry and physical threat,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council denounces the Oregon Citizen's Alliance's legislative initiative as a malicious and hateful attack against gay and lesbian people and encourages the people of Portland not to sign the OCA petitions; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City reaffirms its pledge of full support to ongoing efforts to educate and enlighten the people of the greater metropolitan area, with the goal of eliminating, to the extent possible, bias and prejudice based on race, religion and sexual orientation

**Adopted by the Council, MAY 29 1991**

**BARBARA CLARK**  
Auditor of the City of Portland  
By: *Britta Olson* Deputy

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Agenda No.

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		Bogle <i>[Signature]</i>	Bogle	✓
		Kafoury <i>GK</i>	Kafoury	✓
		Lindberg <i>EKS</i>	Lindberg	✓
		Clark <i>[Signature]</i>	Clark	✓
<b>NOTED BY</b>				
City Attorney	<i>M. Wesel / Deputy</i>			
City Auditor				
City Engineer				

