We Ask You to Affirm Gender, Not Take It Away!

Vote NO to Gender Identity Law

Source: features.csmonitor.com
Affirm Gender

Transgender labels and stereotypes can take away a woman’s female identity because she is not "feminine enough" or a male identity because he is not "male enough"

But MALE does not equal FEMALE

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**Physiological Differences**

- Girls develop the right side of brain faster than boys: leads to talking, vocabulary, pronunciation, reading earlier, better memory.
- Boys develop left side faster than girls: visual-spatial-logical skills, perceptual skills, better at mathematics, problem solving, building and figuring out puzzles.
- Girls are more interested in toys with faces than boys are; play with stuffed animals and dolls more; boys drawn to blocks or anything that can be manipulated.
- Women use both hemispheres of brain; corpus callosum thicker in women.

Source: relationship-institute.com

*Failure to recognize and appreciate differences can become a life long source of disappointment.*

Source: oregoncounseling.org

Affirming Gender gives Men and Women the right to express their differences in the way they want.

Vote NO Gender Identity Law
Children do best with their own parents.

Protect Marriage: Affirm Gender

Source: www.roseanneworld.com
“…the Creator made them male and female’, and [Jesus] said, ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh’.”

Protect Families

Affirm Marriage between a man and a woman

SUPPORT
Maryland's Marriage Protection Act
A constitutional amendment to protect marriage as the union of one man and one woman. It would prevent additional constitutional challenges to the state’s marriage law, and would need approval by voters in a statewide referendum.

DEFEAT
Religious Freedom and Civil Marriage Protection Act
Grants same-sex couples the right to marry. The title of the bill is misleading; it would not protect civil marriage, but attempts to redefine it
Protect Us in the Schools: Don't Confuse Our Gender Identity

Source: www.waukesha.k12.wi.us
There are major, significant differences between men and women. The differences are different, NOT better or worse.

*Do not judge the differences.*

*Do not try to change the differences.*

*Do not try to make them go away.*

*Realize just how profoundly men and women differ from each other.*

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Dr. Paul McHugh, formerly psychiatrist-in-chief at the Johns Hopkins University Hospital said a careful study of transgenderism led them to abandon the practice of performing sex change operations. McHugh notes: “We have wasted scientific and technical resources and damaged our professional credibility by collaborating with madness rather than trying to study, cure, and ultimately prevent it.”

Peter Sprigg, Vice President of Policy at Family Research Council gave this assessment:

"Gender Identity Disorder” is classified as a mental disorder by the American Psychiatric Association. Legal protection against discrimination based on mental illness is not provided for any other disorder, and there is no rational explanation why it should be offered for this one. Those who wish to assume a “gender identity” contrary to their biological sex are in need of mental health treatment to overcome such disturbed thinking, not legislation to affirm it.

Don’t teach Kids a double standard! If it is wrong for athletes, student and most postmenopausal women to take steroids because of their risks, then don’t hide the risks by promoting their use for those failing to affirm their own Gender.

Preserve Gender Identity: Stop Identity Theft