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Subject Re: Reparative Therapy

Meeting (if known) April 27 - City Council

Comments

To Mayor and City Council Members,

Thank you for serving the citizens of Saskatoon. Thank you to the 3 Councillors - Bev, Randy and Troy who voted against the ban at the last meeting.

I would like to point out a couple of more ways this ban would offend the Charter.

- Section 2(b) protects the freedom to declare and practice religious beliefs. Most major religions forbid homosexual ACTIVITY (eg. Christianity, Latter Day Saints, Islam, Baha'i, Sikhim etc.) A ban on conversion therapy would interfere with the right to practice religion in accordance with religious doctrine.

- Section 15 protects equality rights. A ban on conversion therapy discriminates on the basis of sexual orientation by limiting what kind of therapy is available to those with same sex attractions. Not everyone who experiences same sex attractions wants to live a gay lifestyle. Not everyone who experiences gender confusion wants to identify as transgendered. These individuals should not be prohibited from seeking the help they need to live the kind of sexual lifestyle they want. If an individual with same sex attractions desires to participate in a traditional , monogamous marriage with a member of the opposite sex, that person should not be restricted from seeking help and guidance to do so.

I would also like to point out that not one of seats in the last Federal Election in Saskatoon and Saskatchewan went to the Liberal Party. This Bill C 8 has not been

passed Federally. This ban is premature on City Council's part.

Further more I don't think this city needs the advice of an extreme activist from out of province, who does not respect the Charter of Rights and Freedoms and is pushing his one sided radical views in a very intimidating manner.

I would strongly urge City Council to stick to governing this city according to your jurisdiction and to STOP moving forward on this ban.

Sincerely A concerned citizen of Saskatoon,
Mary Riendeau
Attachments

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

