

Dear Honorable Members of the North Dakota senate,

My name is Lilly Funk, and I live in Minot, North Dakota. I am a federal employee at Head Start (as an assistant teacher). The purpose of this written testimony is to persuade members of the North Dakota senate to support HB 1473.

I am in support of this bill because if biological males are allowed in spaces that are meant for biological females, this poses a problem. It is dangerous for biological females to be in a vulnerable position like this because they are at risk for harassment or even rape. Even if a biological male identifies as female, they are naturally stronger than women, and if they are left in a private space with males, they are put in a dangerous and unfair position.

Women need to be kept physically safe. It is more imperative that women feel safe in private space than it is for males to be allowed to intrude their safe spaces simply for psychological comfort.

Thank you for considering making the moral decision to pass HB 1473 to protect biological women against biological men violating their private spaces!