

## **Testimony Supporting House Concurrent Resolution 3010**

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Good Morning Chairman Weisz and honorable members of the House Human Services Committee. My name is Jacob Thomsen and I am representing North Dakota Family Alliance Legislative Action. I am testifying on behalf of our organization in support of House Concurrent Resolution 3010 and respectfully request that you render a "DO PASS" on this resolution.

We understand that some individuals choose to identify themselves at various places on the gender spectrum, apart from their biological sex. That is certainly their right. However, problems arise when their gender identification causes harm to others around them, whether physical, emotional, or psychological harm. When they in effect deny the immutable biological differences given to us by God before we were even born.

Biology is not gender, a social construct, and there is no denying the biological difference between male and female sexes. Sexes are fundamentally the biological state of being female or male, based on an individual's nonambiguous sex organs, chromosomes, and endogenous hormone profile at birth.

For that reason, we believe that biological males and females should use restrooms, locker rooms, and shower rooms intended for their sex, not gender. No girl or woman should ever be forced to use the bathroom, shower, or undress next to a man in a public space. North Dakota Family Alliance Legislative Action supports the right to safety and privacy for all North Dakotans.

Further, males and females should be judged in athletic events against others of the same biological sex. As stated in this resolution, a male is, on average, bigger, stronger, and faster than a female, and these all matter when it comes to athletic performance. These differences warrant separate athletic teams, as designated. Why should our daughters or granddaughters be robbed of hard-won sport achievements by boys posing as a girls? When did our society decide that our girls don't matter?

North Dakota Family Alliance Legislative Action believes in protecting the dignity of women and children, their right to privacy, and their physical and emotional wellbeing. We do not want to

see decades of advancement, elimination of discriminations, and hard fought equality be
thrown away by today's politically correct thinking.
For these reasons, we request that you render a "DO PASS" on House Concurrent Resolution 3010. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and I am happy to stand for any questions.
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