

WRITTEN TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO HCR 3013

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This written testimony is presented in opposition to HCR 3013.

Love, commitment, and family are values that everyone cherishes. Marriages are rooted in love, commitment, and shared responsibility. Extending this right to same-sex couples is not only a matter of equality but also a reflection of our shared values of fairness, dignity, and respect for all families. This resolution weakens communities, and the legal and social stability of families. The North Dakota Constitution guarantees the rights of all North Dakotans to pursue happiness. It also guarantees the free exercise of religion. The government cannot force a particular religion on its citizens.

All families have the right to respect. The rule of law must be respected. *Obergefell v. Hodges* is the law of the land.

Please oppose HCR 3013.