

Written Testimony of Shauna M. Erickson-Abou Zahr, M.S., LMFT in Opposition to HCR 3013

Chair Larson and members of the Judiciary Committee,

I write today to urge you to vote DO NOT PASS on HCR 3013. As a lifelong North Dakotan, I deeply value equal human rights of all of our residents as do the majority of my neighbors. North Dakota does not prize itself on discrimination, narrow mindedness, and harming of its residents' rights which this passing would do. We must remain in congruence with our North Dakotan Constitution that promotes protections for our residents for individual liberty, including ability to marry as our residents see fit. One form of religion does not get to dictate how our state legislates liberty. In a climate of increasing othering and hate, we must stand for our residents, our constitution, and freedom for all, including protections for same sex couples to marry. Please vote in opposition of this unjust and cruel attempt to limit citizens.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shauna Erickson-Abou Zahr', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Shauna Erickson-Abou Zahr, M.S., LMFT