

Dear Chair Larson and members of the Judiciary Committee,

I strongly urge you to vote against HCR 3013. This resolution seeks to strip away rights from my family and many others who are close to me.

Growing up with my mom and her wife on one side, and my dad and his wife on the other, I've been blessed with not one, but two loving homes. My mom's same-sex marriage has never made me feel any less loved or valued. In fact, it's taught me the importance of love, acceptance, and equality.

It's disheartening to see so much hate and intolerance this legislative session. As someone who's lived in North Dakota their whole life, it's frustrating to feel like our state is actively working to make people feel like they don't belong.

Here's the truth: same-sex marriage is no different from any other marriage. It's about two people loving each other, committing to one another, and building a life together. So, I have to ask: why do you want to take away someone's right to choose who they marry? It doesn't affect you or your family.

I urge you to vote against HCR 3013 and stand up for loving families like mine. We deserve the same rights, respect, and dignity as any other family.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
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