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Re: Support for HCR 3013

Dear Senators:

I was the lead plaintiff in the Court case *Vazzo v City of Tampa*, a court case where I fought for the rights of parents and their children to choose therapies that align with their beliefs and values concerning their sexual orientation. Today, I am writing to support the above resolution urging the United States Supreme Court to restore the definition of marriage to a union between one man and one woman.

The reasons for my support are as follows:

- (1) Like *Roe v. Wade*, the *Obergefell v. Hodges* decision stripped states of their rights to make laws that are in the best interest of their citizenry. Many states had laws defining marriage as between a man and a woman at the time of the Supreme Court decision, and in an instant, the Court invalidated those laws.
- (2) The concept of marriage has always had its origins in religion and the potentiality for reproduction of the human species. Homosexual men and women can never engage in sexual intercourse with members of the same sex and have reproduction of the human species as the end result. Therefore, while homosexual men and women should be afforded the right to have legal unions, we should not call those unions “marriage.”

(3) In an age where not offending groups of people has become a defining factors in the consideration of legislation, the Supreme Court failed to realize how integrating gay marriage into the fabric of American life would offend many Christians, Muslims, and Jews. Religious individuals have been forced to accept the imposition of behaviors and values of a small minority of the population.

(4) Gay marriage has been based on the idea that homosexuality is innate and immutable. These two ideas are myths that have been refuted repeatedly. No gay gene exists and fluidity does exist in sexual orientation. Research has shown the latter to be true in many individuals.

For these very important reasons, I am asking you to pass this legislation.

Sincerely,

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