North Dakota Senate Judiciary Committee HCR 3013 March 12, 2025

Chair Larson, Vice Chair Paulson, and members of the Committee:

My name is Erin Lee and I live in Fargo. I am writing in strong opposition to HCR 3013.

There are so many reasons why this should be opposed, the main one being that love is love, no matter who it is between. Love does not discriminate based on birth-assigned gender. Whom someone loves is their concern, not anyone else's. Passing this resolution would send a message of unwelcome to those in a same-sex marriage or relationship. It would send a message of hate, which is so sad to me. I thought our state had the motto, "North Dakota Nice". This certainly doesn't reflect upon that.

It is clear that those that support this bill are trying to invoke their personal religious beliefs on other people. Where is the separation of church and state?

A recent poll in The Forum showed that more than half (56%) of polled North Dakotans agree with the US Supreme Court's decision to guarantee marriage rights to same-sex couples. Only 36% said they wanted to overturn this decision. Please uphold the wishes of the citizens you were elected to represent and DO NOT PASS HCR 3013.

Respectfully, Erin Lee Fargo, ND