

September 21, 2023

The Honorable Steven Santarsiero 182 Main Capitol Building Senate Box 203010 Harrisburg, PA 17120-3010

Dear Senator Santarsiero,

We are writing to you today to, most importantly, thank you for introducing SB 150 in the Senate this past March. For decades, many of us have been supportive of and hope for passage of what is currently referred to as the Fairness Act. Your, and the other sponsors' efforts mean a lot to a great number of people in our state.

We also want to bring to your attention, and have included, the letter we wrote to Majority Leader Joe Pittman. The opportunity to get your bill to the Governor's desk should not be passed by because of a slim Republican majority in the Senate. SB 150 deserves a vote. The people who would most directly benefit from SB 150 deserve to see it get that vote.

Should we fail this session, it should not be because a lack of effort by those of us who supported your legislative effort on behalf of LGBTQIA+ persons. Nor should possible failure free those who would not do the right thing from being known and held accountable.

If you have any guidance for us in an effort to move SB 150, please feel free to share it with us. Our Commission email address is **lgbtqiacommissionpgh@gmail.com**. All fifteen Commissioners will receive any communication you send to this email address.

Again, thank you for your leadership on this matter. We really appreciate it.

Sincerely,

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