

Dear Legislator:

Today I'm writing to thank you for being a public servant committed to what is best for your constituents. I also want to call your attention to a matter of grave concern to many people which I'm sure is your concern as well.

For nearly eight years now, we have all witnessed a rogue administration promoting the agenda of vocal, deep-pocketed activists to put in place social engineering policies by creating laws out of thin air and giving special rights to the micro-minorities such as the transgender population. This leaves most families wondering how to navigate an ever-changing culture.

We ask you to partner with the American Pastors Network (APN) to counter these initiatives, not only for family protection but for the preservation of natural law, The Bible America was founded upon says, "He (meaning God) created them male and female and blessed them". (Genesis 5:2) We believe the government, founded by men who believed in God, has been hijacked by those who reject God. They want to rule despotically over those whom you serve and force on all families and children dangerous humanistic standards that offend people of faith and destroy families.

We ask you to seriously consider these issues as you are pressed to vote on laws.

- "Gender Identity" activists have shown a willingness to systematically destroy the very bedrock of our country—the nuclear family—for some utopian dream.
- When sexually developed men can come into *any public bathroom, school shower or dressing area* and invade the privacy of women (and even attack them) how can a woman or little girl feel safe?
- Cases are already mounting across the country of predators intimidating and attacking women. If your own wife, daughter, sister or mother was threatened, don't you believe the first job of our government should have been to not pass laws that enable perversion or encourage potential predators?
- On May 13, 2016, the Obama Departments of Education and Justice issued what many called a "decree" for schools (and now hospitals) to change their restroom, locker room and shower room policies to remain "politically correct."

• Most families we talk to see nothing correct about a "guidance" or "directive" like this. The threat to take away school lunch money (our tax dollars) from the poorest students if compliance to this social engineering experiment is withheld seems Orwellian, cruel and extremely heavy-handed.

The pastors of APN believe being "human" means God created a physical reality good for human beings and reflective of whom He is. It took two beings—man and woman—to totally reflect His image. As creatures made in the image of God, sexual difference matters to us. God established identities and personal values are at foundation of marriage. We believe only love expressed through the complimentary sexual differences of husband and wife is ordained as the method to create new life.

Some in government who don't believe in God or respect His unique creation want to encourage individuals to remake themselves into another image. This neo-pagan idea means they can choose any idea of sexual expression to use or abuse their bodies. However, their God-given chromosomes, paired as XX or XY, don't change.

The "transgender" ideology is grounded in the idea of the body as not essential to our being. Therefore, "gender identity" is fluid--a mere social construct. A man may be "trapped" in a woman's body, or vice versa. While reconstructive surgery can make one look like a male or female on the outside, the roles assigned to men and women do not change over time in God's eyes.

The spiritual transformation called for by Jesus Christ in the Bible is far better than any change that will come from social engineering. It makes sense of our humanity and restores our dignity. Our bodies are God's good gift to us—vessels by which we may give Him glory as we work to provide for our families and help others.

Remaining silent now is not only wrong, but it may well prove to be extraordinarily costly. Not only are there the costs that come from not providing protection to our citizens and progeny, such humanistic ideas when worked out may sear the conscious of the next generation and hasten our national decline.

We fervently pray that you will commit to legislation to *protect families* in our society in accordance with God's Word. We strongly believe the harmful, dangerous and unnecessary policies inflicted on us by rogue administrations catering to a few rather than protecting the many will weaken rather that strengthen our nation.

Sincerely,

Representative, American Pastors Network

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