In Support of LD868 and LD1337

Here are Neil Krane's testimonials in support of LD868 and LD1337, respectively.

Preamble: There has been a long-standing precedent of providing privacy for both sexes for bathrooms, changing rooms, and locker rooms. Only recently has there been a controversial modification to this protocol.

There is a current trend amongst children and adults claiming not to be comfortable in the body they were born in.

Whether this started as a whim, a prank, or a fad, it has become a popular trend. It has led to a perversion of normalcy and denial of reality, escalating into a social contagion. Eventually, this societal malady has become tolerated and accepted by states and municipalities due to cowardice or a fear of being labeled as non-inclusive, bigoted, and homophobic.

It is difficult to pinpoint how this situation got out of control, but it has.

Those who authentically claim this discomfort with the reality of their sex may or may not suffer from a condition known as gender dysphoria. Gender dysphoria is classified as a mental disorder.

This has been bolstered by the youths and activist adults of the LGBTQA++, a so-called community whose members claim to identify as non-binary, and this group is largely credited and complicit in perpetuating this untenable situation.

One could blame incompetent parenting, online social media, the psychological industrial complex, academia, and religious groups seeking recognition as inclusive or signaling their sense of misbegotten virtue. Unfortunately, this situation has spilled over into every societal sector, i.e., the military, correctional facilities, our neighborhoods, workplaces, corporations, single-sex shelters, public, private, and parochial educational campuses, athletic governing authorities, houses of worship, municipalities, and all branches of government.

This issue of boys and men competing in female sports and entering the bathrooms, changing rooms, and locker rooms of girls and women is disturbing at best, if not criminally insane.

We desperately need protection for our girls and women because one side of the politically charged ideological and intellectual divide has gotten into their troubled and warped minds, that creating a new normal of perverting, misleading, and harming children, should be acceptable, it is not, and needs to be stopped. Pride Kills!

<u>LD 868,</u> "An Act to Ensure Equity and Safety in Athletics, Restrooms, Changing Rooms and Housing at Elementary, Secondary and Postsecondary Schools," will prohibit biological males from participating in girls' sports or using girls' locker rooms and bathrooms.

I, Neil Krane of Thomaston, Maine, support LD 868.

LD 1337, "An Act to Amend the Maine Human Rights Act Regarding Female Athletes and Safety in Women's Single-sex Shelters," amends the provisions regarding "gender identity" in the Maine Human Rights Act to provide that they may not be construed to affect the rights of a female athlete via Title IX.

I, Neil Krane of Thomaston, Maine, support LD 1337.

Respectfully,

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