

Legislation Text

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Resolution to Endorse the Fair and Equal Michigan Campaign

The Fair and Equal Michigan Campaign is a statewide ballot initiative to put a question on the November ballot that would amend Michigan's Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression.

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Whereas, The Fair and Equal Michigan Campaign is an effort to put a question to voters in November that would amend Michigan's Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights act to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression;

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor is a community that values diversity, inclusiveness, and the ability of individuals to choose their own life and their own values without fear of economic hardship or social recrimination;

Whereas, The rights of LGBTQIA+ individuals in the state of Michigan should be clearly and purposefully defined in our laws so there is no question that our state is a welcoming and inclusive place for all people;

Whereas, The Fair and Equal Michigan ballot language will bring Michigan's laws in line with the prevailing and common sense approach to LGBTQIA+ rights that most residents in our state and nation support.

RESOLVED, That the Ann Arbor City Council endorses and urges others to support the Fair and Equal Michigan Campaign.

Sponsored by: Mayor Taylor and Councilmembers Griswold, Smith, Ramlawi, Eaton, Nelson, Ackerman, Bannister, Grand, and Lumm