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Christine Joyce

From: Jesse Liberty [jliberty@actonequality.org]
Sent: Sunday, December 05, 2004 7:33 PM
To: Dore' Hunter; Manager Department
Cc: Board of Selectmen
Subject: RE: Same sex marriage resolution

Doré,

Thank you; I'm very much looking forward to talking with all of you. It turns out that the 13th is Chanukah, and I wonder if it would be convenient for you and the board to schedule my talk later in the evening, rather than earlier. If so, please let me know what time to arrive.

Also, do you want a full (~10 minute) presentation, or just a very brief summary of what the proposal is about?

My hope is that this will be a citizen's non-binding resolution that is endorsed by (but not brought forth by) the Selectmen, and I'm optimistic that the Board can guide me through this process.

If you'd like a bit of preparatory information, please do take a look at the Acton Equality web site.

Thank you.

- Jesse

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Cc: bos@acton-ma.gov; jliberty@ActonEquality.org
Subject: Same sex marriage resolution

Don,

Please put Mr. Liberty's resolution on the Agenda for the next meeting, 13 December, in a a ten minute time slot and have Christine advise Mr. Liberty concerning the time assigned.

I suspect there may be at least one other non-binding resolution proposed this year, we might benefit from a staff recommendation as to where in the Warrant order such should appear, recognizing that the regular Town business should be conducted with the best attendance likely.

Regards,
 Dore' Hunter
 Selectman, Town of Acton, MA

12/6/2004

Don Johnson

From: Jesse Liberty [jliberty@actonequality.org]
Sent: Saturday, December 04, 2004 7:22 AM
To: Dore' Hunter
Subject: Presenting resolution to the BOS

Doré,

I am writing to you in your capacity as chair of the BOS. Can you please help me with the process of arranging to meet with the board to present the Resolution we hope Acton Equality will bring to the Annual Town Meeting?

Can you also tell me what kind and length of presentation might be most helpful in winning an endorsement of the resolution from the board?

You can read the draft resolution here.

Thanks in advance,

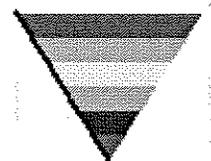
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Acton Equality - Resolution

Taking Action to preserve the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts



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Acton Town Meeting 2005 - A Non-binding Resolution

The following is the text of the resolution we hope to bring to the 2005 Acton Town Meeting:

This is a second draft [updated 7/17/04]

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ACTON PROTECTING THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Whereas, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court has affirmed that the right for same sax couples to marry is protected by the state Constitution; and

Whereas, ours is the oldest continuous Constitution in the world; and

Whereas, our Constitution has never been amended to limit the rights of one group of individuals, but rather has been amended to extend liberty to an ever greater portion of our populace,

NOW, THEREFORE, in keeping with the spirit and history of the Town of Acton, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Town of Acton opposes amending our state Constitution to prohibit Same Sex Marriage
2. The Town Manager shall be directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Governor, Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, our state representatives and senator, and Acton's delegation to the General Court of Massachusetts.



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