

Statement of opposition to HB 68

This is not just about gender affirming care, this is about life affirming care for the affected children. Every child in this country should have the opportunity to reach their self-identified potential, academically, athletically, and personally.

I watched my father struggle with his acceptance of himself in the late seventies, hiding who he really was, and I certainly hope that we have become more accepting and inclusive in the last 50 years.

The majority votes on Issues 1 and 2 in November of this year made it quite clear that we Ohioans want the rights and freedom to make our own decisions about what we do with and put into our bodies. If we want Ohio to remain the heartland of this country, we need to make sure it is the heartland for EVERYONE in this country.

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