



Creating an accepting and equitable environment for LGBTQ+ people through education, support, social action and advocacy.

EQDG Statement on Recent Executive Orders

EQuality Downers Grove strongly condemns President Trump's recent unlawful* Executive Orders violating the civil rights of the LGBTQ+ community, particularly targeting transgender individuals. These directives represent a significant regression in the fight for equality and human rights, undermining decades of progress. By mandating federal agencies to recognize only a binary definition of sex, this Administration is effectively denying the existence of transgender and non-binary individuals. Furthermore, these actions pose tangible threats to the health, safety, and well-being of these individuals by denying access to essential medical care, erasing recognition of their identities, and inciting discrimination, hatred, and violence toward the LGBTQ+ community.

We call upon all individuals and organizations committed to justice and equality to contact your elected officials at the federal and state levels to assert your opposition to these cruel and unjust Executive Orders. We further urge policymakers to advocate for the protection and affirmation of LGBTQ+ rights, ensuring that all individuals, regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity, or expression, are treated with dignity, respect, and value.

To find and contact your elected officials, please go to www.congress.gov and beta.ilga.gov.

*See: Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the US Constitution, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act, and Section 1908 of the Public Health Service Act