

Submitted by Councilor Nelson

RESOLUTION NO. 27-93

A RESOLUTION TO REAFFIRM ACTION TAKEN BY
THE WEST LAFAYETTE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the purpose of the West Lafayette Human Relations Ordinance is "to provide all of its citizens equal opportunity for: (a) Employment, (b) Public Accommodations, (c) Housing, and (d) Education." Further, the purpose of the Ordinance is "to prevent prejudice, intolerance, bigotry, disorder and discrimination. The City of West Lafayette (the City) will encourage and attempt to bring about mutual self-respect and understanding of each other by all groups in the City and help guarantee equal rights to all citizens as afforded by this Code (Section 2-35 through 2-35.3) and other ordinances of the City, the laws of the State and the Constitution of the United States."

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE, that:

SECTION 1. The Common Council supports the intent of the policy statement of April 27, 1993, issued by the West Lafayette Human Relations Commission, that we are committed to foster a community that recognizes the worth of every person, promotes tolerance and understanding, and respects the right of each individual to be free from discrimination.

SECTION 2. Fair and equal treatment should be extended to all citizens of West Lafayette regardless of sexual orientation; however, the Indiana Civil Rights Law does not empower the West Lafayette Human Relations Commission to do binding adjudication of cases that involve discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

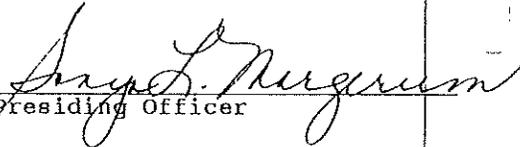
SECTION 3. It is not the intent, nor within the jurisdiction, of the West Lafayette Common Council, nor the Human Relations Commission, to exercise jurisdiction over, or undertake activities in connection with, the curriculum of any educational institution regarding discrimination based on sexual orientation. The reference to education in the policy statement of Human Relations Commission refers to dialogue, panels and information which may help provide awareness and understanding.

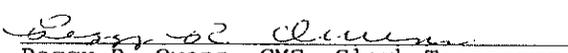
SECTION 4. The Common Council reaffirms the belief of the Human Relations Commission that all citizens of West Lafayette should be free from intolerance, discrimination and fear.

This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and signing by the Mayor.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA ON THE 13th DAY OF September 1993

Attest:


Presiding Officer


Peggy R. Owens, CMC, Clerk-Treasurer

PRESENTED BY ME TO THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA ON THE 13th DAY OF September 1993, AT THE HOUR OF 10:15 AM.

Peggy R. Owens
Peggy R. Owens, Clerk-Treasurer

THIS RESOLUTION APPROVED AND SIGNED BY ME ON THE 15th DAY OF September, 1993 AT THE HOUR OF 9 AM.

Attest:

Sonya L. Margerum
Sonya L. Margerum, Mayor

Peggy R. Owens
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