

Global LGBTQ+ Rights Protection Mission Statement in Response to Policies Enacted by President Donald John Trump

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Preamble

In light of the policies enacted during President Donald Trump's administrations, it is imperative for the global community to reaffirm its commitment to the rights and dignity of LGBTQ+ individuals. The following mission statement outlines our collective goals and actions in response to these developments.

Actions Impacting LGBTQ+ Rights During Trump's Terms

First Term (2017-2021)

- **Ban on Transgender Military Service (2017):**

President Trump announced a policy prohibiting transgender individuals from serving in the U.S. military, citing concerns over military readiness and healthcare costs. This decision reversed the previous administration's policy allowing open transgender service.

- **Revocation of Transgender Protections in Education (2017):**

The Department of Education rescinded guidelines that allowed transgender students to use bathrooms corresponding to their gender identity, leaving protections up to individual states.

- **Attempted Repeal of the Affordable Care Act (2017-2019):**

Efforts to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act included provisions that could have removed protections for individuals with pre-existing conditions, disproportionately affecting LGBTQ+ individuals living with HIV.

- **Support for Religious Freedom Bills (2018-2020):**

The administration supported legislation and executive orders that allowed businesses and organizations to refuse services based on religious beliefs, potentially impacting LGBTQ+ individuals' access to services.

- **Appointment of Conservative Judges (2017-2021):**

The appointment of federal judges with conservative views raised concerns about the future of LGBTQ+ rights, including marriage equality and anti-discrimination protections.

Second Term (2021-2025)

- **Executive Order 14168: Redefining Sex and Gender (2025):**

On January 20, 2025, President Trump signed Executive Order 14168, which led to:

- Erasure of mentions of LGBTQ+ resources from federal websites.
- Transfer of transgender women in federal prisons to men's facilities, denying access to hormone therapy.
- Removal of protections against surveillance based on sexual orientation or gender identity.
- Requirement for NGOs to eliminate references to transgender individuals to comply with federal guidelines.

These actions have been widely condemned as violations of civil rights and constitutional protections.

- **Executive Order 14187: Restrictions on Gender-Affirming Care (2025):**

On February 4, 2025, Executive Order 14187 was enacted, aiming to:

- Prohibit federal funding for hospitals providing gender-affirming care to minors.
- Criminalize certain medical practices related to transgender healthcare.

This order has faced legal challenges, with multiple lawsuits filed arguing violations of constitutional rights and medical freedoms.

- **Executive Order 14201: Restrictions on Transgender Athletes (2025):**

On February 5, 2025, Executive Order 14201 was signed, which:

- Banned transgender women from participating in women’s sports teams, threatening federal funding revocation for non-compliance.
- Required athletic organizations to revoke records held by transgender female athletes.
- Denied visas to transgender athletes attempting to compete in women’s sports in the U.S.

These measures have sparked national and international debates regarding fairness, discrimination, and human rights.

Mission Statement: Global Response and Call to Action

In response to these policy changes, we, the undersigned individuals and organizations, commit to the following actions:

1. Advocacy and Legal Challenges

- **Support** ongoing legal battles against unconstitutional and discriminatory policies.
- **File** amicus briefs and mobilize public opinion to influence judicial outcomes.
- **Engage** with international human rights bodies to apply global pressure on the U.S. administration.

2. Public Awareness and Education

- **Launch** global campaigns to inform the public about the impacts of recent policies on LGBTQ+ rights.
- **Organize** workshops, seminars, and webinars to educate communities on transgender issues and rights.
- **Utilize** social media platforms to amplify voices and stories of those affected by policy changes.

3. Support and Resources for Affected Individuals

- **Establish** emergency funds and resources for individuals facing discrimination or loss of services.
- **Provide** legal assistance to those affected by policy changes.
- **Create** safe spaces and support networks for affected individuals, both online and offline.

4. International Solidarity and Pressure

- **Coordinate** with international organizations to apply diplomatic and economic pressure on the U.S. government.
- **Organize** global days of action, including protests, petitions, and boycotts.
- **Advocate** for the inclusion of LGBTQ+ rights in international trade and diplomatic discussions with the U.S.

5. Policy Alternatives and Proposals

- **Develop** and promote policy proposals that protect and enhance LGBTQ+ rights at local, national, and international levels.
- **Collaborate** with policymakers to draft legislation countering discriminatory actions.
- **Highlight** and support regions and institutions upholding inclusive and equitable policies.

Conclusion

The actions taken during both terms of the Trump administration represent significant challenges to the rights and recognition of LGBTQ+ individuals. However, through unified advocacy, public education, support for affected individuals, international solidarity, and policy development, we stand resilient in defending the rights and dignity of LGBTQ+ individuals worldwide. We call upon governments, institutions, and individuals to join us in this mission, ensuring that the progress made in LGBTQ+ rights is preserved and advanced for future generations.