



For Immediate Release:

LOVEboldly opposes and rejects in the strongest terms [the resolution](#) before the State of Ohio Board of Education targeting LGBTQIA+ students and limiting rights under Title IX. The resolution—[A] Resolution to Support Parents, Schools, and Districts in Rejecting Harmful, Coercive, and Burdensome Gender Identity Policies—is a callous, politically-motivated attempt to generate support for reactionary policies which neither support nor educate Ohio’s students.

The resolution’s title make’s clear that this proposal is not about students. There are approximately 1.3 million transgender youth in the United States, including approximately 52,000 in Ohio. Research bears out that these students experience greater confidence and self-esteem when they are accepted and affirmed by their families, schools, and communities. These students are not a burden to their parents, schools, and districts. The only part of this debate which is harmful is accepting rhetoric like that used in this resolution.

Therefore, LOVEboldly urges the State Board of Education to reject the proposed resolution. Further, we call on faithful Christians and people of faith to submit written testimony ahead of the State Board of Education meeting on September 20, 2022. Please refer to the [action alert from Honesty for Ohio Education](#) for additional information.

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