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Subject: Voicing Opinion Against City Council Agenda Item 13

-EXTERNAL-

To Councilwoman Mungo and the City Council,

I am voicing my opinion against Agenda Item 13 for the March 23rd City Council meeting regarding:

"Discuss requesting City Council to approve the recommendation of the Federal Legislation Committee to support the <u>American Rescue Plan Act</u>, the <u>Equality Act</u>, the <u>U.S. Citizenship Act</u>, and the <u>For the People Act</u>."

Please see below for the following reasons why I am urging City Council to **NOT** approve of endorsing these measures.

"Equality Act"

The "Equality Act" would add "sexual orientation" and "gender identity" as a protected class in the federal Civil Rights Act. Affected would be employment, housing, public accommodations, jury service, education, and federal programs, including religious liberty, free speech, and freedom of conscience.

Religious organizations could be sued for failing to hire an individual or for failing to retain staff who does not comply with standards of conduct consistent with the organizations' missions. It's possible churches and religious organization could become targets.

The Equality Act would:

- Force schools nationwide to teach kids about LGBT ideology without parental consent.
- Mandate that schools allow biological boys to access the girls restrooms, locker rooms, and showers.
- Unfairly allow males to compete in female sports.
- Permit men to enter and access the women's public bathrooms, locker rooms, and showers.
- Require teachers and students to use the preferred names and pronouns of those who identify as transgender.
- Require employers to implement strict preferred pronoun policies.
- Compel employers to provide health insurance for "sex-reassignment" surgery.
- Require doctors to provide sex-reassignment procedures and hormone therapy against their conscience.

Every human should be treated with respect and dignity. Yet, placing sexual orientation and gender identity as protected classes would have harmful consequences and would open the door for further government overreach.

For The People Act

If H.R. 1 becomes law, this deceptive nationwide legislation will:

Abolish voter I.D. laws.

- Allow taxpayer funding of election campaigns.
- Track your political donations.
- Require the opportunity for same-day voter registration.
- Force ballot harvesting in every state.
- Permit 45 days of early voting.
- Unconstitutionally restore the ability of felons to vote immediately upon release.
- Make your donations to charitable and nonprofit organizations available as public information.

This political power grab will limit our right to free speech, our right to freedom of association, and will undermine U.S. election integrity.

Thank you for reading this email and please do not endorse such controversial, federal legislation that violates religious freedom.

Nick Carbonaro

Sent from my iPhone

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The Long Beach Gray Panthers believe the pandemic has revealed the gaps in health care in the US and the need for a healthcare system that provides affordable coverage to everyone. We believe the fastest and most efficient way to provide healthcare for everyone is by expanding Medicare 4 All. This is an issue the Long Beach Gray Panthers have been fighting for since our founding.

We thank and applaud the Federal Legislative committee for bringing forth this issue and requesting a draft resolution of support. It is time we acknowledge Healthcare is a Human Right.

Sincerely,

Karen