IN THE

House of Commons



December $22^{\rm ND}$ - the gentlemen, leo cavinder, submits the following bill for consideration.

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to

support LGBTQ+ individuals and condemn all actions against such peoples in this House.

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BE IT ENACTED by this House of Commons, in this present, assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 SECTION 1. Title.

- 2 (a) This Act may be called "Supporting LGBTQ+ Act of
- 3 2021."

4 SECTION 2. Findings.

- 5 (a) The House finds that—
- (i) The House recognizes that all people should betreated equally.
- 8 (ii) Members of the House support the rights and 9 freedoms of individuals who are lesbian, gay, 10 bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ).
- 11 (iii) On June 26, 2003, the United States Supreme 12 Court ruled in Lawrence v. Texas that States could 13 no longer criminalize the private conduct in which 14 same-sex couples engage.
- 15 (iv) On June 26, 2013, the United States Supreme 16 Court ruled in United States v. Windsor that 17 section 3 of the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA)
- was unconstitutional and the Federal Government
 could no longer restrict married same-sex couples
- from receiving Federal benefits and protections.
- 21 (v) On June 26, 2015, the United States Supreme
- Court ruled in Obergefell v. Hodges that same-sex
- couples have a constitutional right to marry and
- States could no longer discriminate against same-
- 25 sex couples when recognizing or licensing a
- 26 marriage.

| 27 28 29 30 | (vi) Supreme Court decisions handed down on June 26 ended marriage discrimination and the criminalization of same-sex private intimate conduct under the law. |
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| 31 32 33 34 35 | (vii) LGBTQ people and their allies have worked together for over 60 years to make progress toward achieving full equality for all people in the United States, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. |
| 36 37 38 39 | (viii) LGBTQ people in the United States continue to face many barriers to the American dream that cannot be solved through courtroom litigation alone. |
| 40 41 42 43 | (ix) transgender people and LGBTQ people of color are disproportionately and uniquely burdened by such barriers, including violence, discrimination, poverty, and societal isolation. |
| 44 45 46 47 48 49 | (x) although victories at the Supreme Court have affirmed the dignity and equality of millions of same-sex couples, statutory reforms are needed to ensure LGBTQ people in the United States are free from discrimination and have equal access to the American dream. |
| 50 | (a) Further, the House finds that— |
| 51 52 53 | (i) All peoples in the House of Commons and across the county should be treated with respect and dignity. |
| 54 55 56 | (ii) Jazz Jennings is a famous transgender person and has, and continues to, advocate for LGBTQ+ people. |
| 57 58 59 | (iii) Jazz has changed the world for transgender youth simply by being herself (The Washington Post). |
| 60 61 | (iv) Jazz's decision to be transgender was not a choice, but simply the way she was born. |
| 62 | (b) Further, the House finds that— |

| 63 64 65 | (i) Children can determine their gender identity within 18 to 24 months after birth, according to the Mayo Clinic. |
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| 66 67 | (ii) Transphobic remarks have been a reason for suicide among transgender people. |
| 68 | SECTION 3. Supporting all peoples. |
| 69 70 71 | (a) The House shall have the power to censure any member that make any remarks that are offensive to LGBTQ+ peoples. |
| 72 73 74 75 | (b) The House shall have the power to remove the right to vote on any matters before the House on any member who makes any offensive comments towards LGBTQ+ peoples for a maximum of thirty (30) calendar days. |
| 76 77 | (c) The House shall display a "LGBTQ+ Flag" in replace of the Indiana flag in the month of June. |
| 78 | SECTION 4. Misinformation is deadly. |
| 79 | (a) The House finds that— |
| 80 81 | (i) Misinformation of any time or situation can be deadly to those involved. |
| 82 83 | (ii) Online information about LGBTQ+ people that is misleading can be deadly to transgender youth. |
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Speaker of the House Assenting