

Dear future president,

We think that transgender people and non-transgender people should feel safe in public bathrooms. We are aware that there are transgender people who get yelled at in the women's bathroom and get harassed in the men's bathroom. There are some people that don't mind transgender people in the bathroom they identify as, but there are also people that do mind. The people who aren't as accepting make the transgender people feel alienated. The people who don't mind make the transgender people feel welcomed. "The culture war over the rights of transgender people, and especially their right to use public bathrooms consistent with their gender identities..."([http://www.nytimes.com/2016/08/23/us/transgender-bathroom-access-guidelines-blocked-by-judge.html?\\_r=0](http://www.nytimes.com/2016/08/23/us/transgender-bathroom-access-guidelines-blocked-by-judge.html?_r=0)) Not only does the discrimination of transgender people make them feel unaccepted, it also violates their human rights.

We understand that letting the transgender people use the bathroom they identify with can cause problems, like people of the opposite gender pretending to be transgender to get into the other bathroom. Title IX addresses the issue but only in schools. When outside of school, transgender men, women, and children face the issue of discrimination. Title IX applies only until the school is notified of a complete sex change for a transgender student. So even then, Title IX doesn't help outside of school. Many schools like the schools like the ones in Texas and North Carolina completely oppose Title IX, so it doesn't help in all schools. These schools believe that the students should use the bathroom/locker room that their birth certificate identifies them as.

Our solution to this problem is more family bathrooms in public places. A family bathroom is gender neutral. This ends the problem of the transgender people getting verbally or physically harassed. We feel that family bathrooms keeps families safe as well as transgender people safe. They are trying a new ruling for transgender bathrooms and locker rooms in schools. This will help with transgenders in public facilities like water parks. In conclusion, we believe that transgender bathrooms or family bathrooms will help the issue.

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PS good luck with your presidency