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Resolution proposed by Commissioner Nowicki prohibiting the

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Your Stand on the Issue Support

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Comments We should not be censoring access to LBTQ+ materials in our public

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Your Stand on the Issue Oppose

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I am writing to express my strong opposition to Commissioner Norwicki's proposed resolution to restrict access to certain books in our public libraries. Every parent has the right to guide their own child's reading—but no one has the right to decide what other families' children can or cannot read. Public libraries serve everyone in our community, and they must reflect the full range of experiences, identities, and ideas that make up that community. Librarians are highly trained professionals who follow established policies and ethical standards when selecting materials. They consider age appropriateness, educational value, literary

materials. They consider age appropriateness, educational value, literary merit, and community needs—not political pressure. We should trust them to do their jobs. Let's also be realistic: children today have nearly unrestricted access to the internet, where they can encounter content far more explicit, violent, or misleading than anything curated by a professional librarian. Trying to shield children by removing books from libraries is not only misguided—it targets some of the safest and most thoughtfully selected information sources available. Removing or restricting books because some people find them uncomfortable or controversial is a form of censorship. It sets a dangerous precedent, undermines intellectual freedom, and erases the stories of those who are already underrepresented. All children deserve the chance to see themselves—and others—reflected in library materials. If a parent

wishes to limit what their own child reads, they are free to do so. But imposing that choice on everyone else is not only unfair—it violates the

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spirit of a free and democratic society. Libraries are for learning, exploration, and inclusion. Let's keep them that way.

Your Stand on the Issue

Oppose

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I would like to address the concerns regarding pedestrian safety on Belcher Rd, North of Alderman. With the clearing of woods on Hwy 19 South for the new apartment complex behind the car wash, there has been a migration of homeless people in the woods on Belcher past

Innisbrook Drive and up towards SPC Tarpon (near Klosterman) and there

Comments are little to no street lights. It has hastened my walks due to the

darkness, especially in the mornings now. There is a lot of trash and some grocery carts that have found their way into this area. We also have street car races that occur frequently at night, mostly on the weekends in this area, again I believe because it's unlit and frequently unmonitored. I'm concerned and uncertain how to address this issue. Thank you.

Your Stand on the Issue