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PFOX Says Suppression of Ex-Gays Must End; Asks Elected Officials to Support Self-Determination, Reject Counseling Bans

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WASHINGTON D.C. (June 28, 2017) -- Many elected officials ignore the existence of ex-gays and ex-transgenders, who are living proof that change is possible. Instead, these officials buy into the manufactured notion that so-called "conversion therapy" is dangerous or fraudulent, and wrongly support laws criminalizing the freedom to choose a licensed counselor for unwanted same-sex attraction.

"Conversion therapy" is a term invented by gay activists who try to persuade strugglers to believe that it's impossible to reduce unwanted same-sex attraction or recover one's birth sexuality.

"Laws that criminalize any counseling disliked by gay activists leave the parents of sexually abused children and who experience unwanted same-sex desires no option to see that their child gets help from a therapist who supports the client's personal goals," said PFOX Executive Director Regina Griggs. "This, despite the American Psychological Association's (APA) calling on its members to respect a person's right to self-determination in 2008."

Replicated scientific studies show that sexual orientation is not fixed and can be fluid, and there is no evidence that people are "born gay." Thousands of men and women who thought they were "born gay" are living in harmony with their personal beliefs and birth sex. Their stories deserve to be heard.

Dr. Nicholas Cummings, former APA president, says some people benefit from reparative therapy, and that by the mid-1990s, "political stances seemed to override any scientific results. ... The gay rights movement sort of captured the APA." For more details see <https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/former-president-of-apa-says-organization-controlled-by-gay-rights-movement>.

"We have some questions for Nevada Gov. Brian Sandoval, who recently signed a law violating the rights of parents to take their child under 18 to a licensed counselor to help them overcome unwanted same-sex feelings or gender identity confusion," Mrs. Griggs said. "First, how dare you? On what did you base your decision to outlaw those seeking to recover sexual feelings that match their birth sex or to overcome unwanted same-sex feelings? How many licensed APA talk therapists did you meet who've helped people overcome unwanted sexual feelings? How many former homosexuals and former transgender men and women did you interview?"

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