

National Lavender Green Caucus
Green Party of the United States
Action Proposal

Proposal Title: Use of Language Describing National Lavender Green Caucus Constituencies in Official National Lavender Green Caucus Communications

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Vote Close: 7 May 2004, 12pm EST

Action Requested: Vote Aye, Nay, Abstain

Action Results:

With 20 Caucus members participating in the vote, 16 Aye Votes, 3 Abstentions, and 1 Nay vote, this proposal passes and is effective immediately. Caucus members voting included: Starlene Rankin (National Delegate), Cecilia Brown, Jim Maguire, John St. Denis (Treasurer), Tyler Kinkade, Mark Barnes, Linda Cartier, Thomas Leavitt (Secretary), Mitchel Cohen, George De Carlo, Steve Scher, Owen Broadhurst, Shane Que Hee, Jason Jones, Brandon Lacy Campos (Chair), Scott McLarty, Tim Casebolt, Georgia Lance, Charlie Green, and Mark Barney.

Results Certified By: Brandon Lacy Campos, Chair

Proposal Text:

Members of the Caucus are free to speak for themselves on any issues. In official letters, press releases, and other communications, our spokespeople and officers should refer to members of this Caucus using all of the following terms: gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersexed, and queer, and never use one or more without using all of them. The acronym GLBTIQ is also acceptable. This policy recognizes that the Caucus consists of a diverse membership the constituents of which embrace one or more of these above noted identities; and this acknowledges that no one such or set of several identities exclusive of all such can accurately describe the constituencies of this Caucus as a whole.

If an individual Caucus member, in interviews or communications, uses one or more identifying words without using the whole list, she or he should add (in a footnote or comment) that such word choice is not representative of the National Lavender Green Caucus and represents only his or her personal identity.

This policy shall, upon its ratification by the Caucus, replace previous word usage policy entitled "Use of the Word Queer in Official Communications".