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RESOLUTION 2011-004

A RESOLUTION urging the citizens of the Commonwealth and organizations planning a counter protest against the Westboro Baptist Church in Louisville or Owensboro to request donations from counter protestors to be split evenly between the **House of Ruth** which cares for families and individuals with or affected by HIV/AIDS, **AIDS Volunteers, Inc. (AVOL)** which serves 72 counties in Central, Eastern, and Southeastern Kentucky, **The Wings Clinic**, which services Jefferson County and 7 surrounding counties, **Moveable Feast** which prepares and delivers hot, freshly cooked meals, five days a week, to people living with AIDS/HIV-related illnesses as well as individuals who are patients of Hospice of the Bluegrass, and **Louisville AIDS Walk** which raises awareness and funds for local HIV/AIDS Service Organizations through education, marketing and promotional activities and through participation of walkers and volunteers in a safe, fun, educational event.

WHEREAS, the Westboro Baptist Church has threatened to protest in Louisville and Owensboro Kentucky.

WHEREAS, LGBTI people, as well as straight allies and religious leaders who embrace tolerance and diversity recognize that God hates no one.

WHEREAS, the dogma preached by the Westboro Baptist Church should be transformed into a positive event instead of a negative one by engaging the community to get involved and support local and statewide organizations for people suffering with HIV/AIDS.

RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of Kentucky Equality Federation urges citizens, community leaders, and religious leaders who plan counter protests to request donations from counter protestors to be split evenly between the **House of Ruth** which cares for families and individuals with or affected by HIV/AIDS, **AIDS Volunteers, Inc. (AVOL)** which serves 72 counties in Central, Eastern, and Southeastern Kentucky, **The Wings Clinic**, which services Jefferson County and 7 surrounding counties, **Moveable Feast** which prepares and delivers hot, freshly cooked meals, five days a week, to people

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RESOLVED, Kentucky Equality Federation urges Scott Taylor, Vice President of the Tri-State Alliance, or Gary L. Fowler, a Kentucky Equality Federation Ambassador of Goodwill and a member of the Kentucky HIV/AIDS Planning and Advisory Council (*appointed by the Governor of the Commonwealth*) to oversee the distribution of these funds or appoint a representative to do so should any demonstrations take place in Owensboro, KY.

RESOLVED, Kentucky Equality Federation urges Bobby Edelen, president of the [Kentucky HIV/AIDS Advocacy and Action Group](#), a Kentucky Equality Federation coalition partner, and a personal member of Kentucky HIV/AIDS Planning and Advisory Council (*appointed by the Governor of the Commonwealth*), or Jeff Johnson, Kentucky Equality Federation's Central Kentucky Regional Director (*based in Louisville*), or the Louisville Fairness Campaign, to oversee the distribution of these funds or appoint a representative to do so should any demonstrations take place in Louisville, KY.

RESOLVED, Kentucky Equality Federation extends a personal thank you to David Taffet, staff writer with the Dallas Voice.

RESOLVED, Citizens of the Commonwealth can make donations directly to these organizations by visiting their websites:

- House of Ruth: <http://www.houseofruth.net>
- AIDS Volunteers, Inc. (AVOL): <http://www.avolky.org>
- The Wings Clinic: <http://www.thewingsclinic.com>
- Moveable Feast: <http://www.feastlex.org>
- Louisville AIDS Walk: <http://louisvilleaidswalk.org>

This is a true record of a joint resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of both Kentucky Equality Coalition, Inc. and Federation for Kentucky Equality, Inc. collectively, Kentucky Equality Federation, in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

HISTORY:

February 03, 2011 – Presented to the Board of Directors

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February 04, 2011 – Passed by Unanimous Vote



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