It's a simple question:

SHOULD IT BE LEGAL TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST GAY PEOPLE?

The answer is

NO!

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**ON NOVEMBER 5,
YPSILANTI VOTERS WILL DECIDE
WHAT KIND OF CITY WE WANT TO LIVE IN.**

**IF WE ALLOW OUR CITY CHARTER TO BE AMENDED,
WE RISK LOSING THE BASIC HUMAN RIGHT PROTECTIONS
WE ALL CURRENTLY ENJOY.**

WHAT IS REALLY GOING ON?

VOTE NO DISCRIMINATION

on our City Charter Amendment

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WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF OUR CHARTER IS AMENDED?

Our entire Fair Housing and Human Rights Ordinances will be thrown out, permanently eliminating protections from discrimination for everyone. Why? Their amendment says, *"Any ordinance, regulation, rule or policy enacted before this amendment is adopted that violates the foregoing prohibition* ***shall be null and void*** *and* ***of no force or effect****"*

HOW DOES OUR HUMAN RIGHTS ORDINANCE PROTECT US?

"It is the intent of the City that no person be denied equal protection of the laws; nor shall any person be denied the enjoyment of his or her civil or political rights or be discriminated against because of:

- race
- color
- religion
- national origin
- sex
- sexual orientation
- age
- marital status
- having a disability
- familial status
- educational association
- source of income
- height
- weight"

(First paragraph of the City Charter adopted December 16, 1997)

Our Fair Housing and Human Rights Ordinances protect us against job or housing discrimination.

VOTE NO

DO THE FAIR HOUSING AND HUMAN RIGHTS ORDINANCES PROVIDE "SPECIAL RIGHTS"?

NO. The rights to equal access to housing, jobs, or to be served in a business are civil rights that we expect.

VOTE NO

HOW DO OUR FAIR HOUSING AND HUMAN RIGHTS ORDINANCES PROTECT BUSINESS PEOPLE AND RELIGIOUS PRACTICE?

Ypsilanti defends our Constitutional rights to free speech, religious practice and association. Business owners decide what benefits they provide for employees. They hire people because of their skills and treat customers as valued clients. This ordinance addresses jobs, housing, and public accommodation only.

VOTE NO

THEY WON'T GIVE YOU THE FACTS, BUT WE WILL

Read the ordinance for yourself at www.yfce.org, or call us at 484-2747.

PAY ATTENTION — JUDGE SHELTON RULED THAT THEY USED MISLEADING TACTICS AND LANGUAGE TO GET THEIR AMENDMENT ON THE BALLOT *(Judge Donald E. Shelton, Washtenaw County Circuit Court, August 2, 2002).* OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS THEY WILL CONTINUE TO TRY TO MISLEAD YOU. HERE ARE SOME OF THE CLAIMS THEY MAKE:

THEY SAY —	THE FACT IS —
Ypsilanti provides "special rights" for gay people.	our Fair Housing and Human Rights Ordinances protect gay people from discrimination in exactly the same way they provide protections for us all.
gay people are already protected by state and federal laws.	there is **NO** protection in our state or federal laws that prevent discrimination against gay people.
their amendment would only repeal **part** of our Human Rights Ordinance.	their amendment will throw out both our Fair Housing and Human Rights Ordinances. *(Judge Donald E. Shelton, Washtenaw County Circuit Court, August 2, 2002)*
their views represent the views and morals of the people of Ypsilanti.	they are funded by Tom Monaghan, whose wealth enabled him to push his private views into our politics.
we need to protect our community values and morality.	we protect our values with our Fair Housing and Human Rights Ordinances.
we need to eliminate protections for "homosexual acts."	their amendment has nothing to do with "homosexual acts." Its about jobs and housing discrimination.
gay people do not deserve protection because their "lifestyle is behavior-based."	we are protected based on other characteristics that are "behavior-based," such as religion, marital status, familial status, educational association, and source of income. These protections should not be eliminated.

THE QUESTION IS STILL SIMPLE. SHOULD IT BE LEGAL TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST GAY PEOPLE? THE ANSWER IS STILL NO!