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## PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF THE LSBA HOUSE OF DELEGATES

WHEREAS, the Articles of Incorporation of the Louisiana State Bar Association provide that the objects and purposes of this Association include promoting the administration of justice.

WHEREAS, lawyers and the legal profession are especially responsible for securing access to justice and equal treatment under the law for everyone.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Bar Association has a long history of supporting equality in the legal profession through promoting diversity and inclusion.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to expand the Louisiana State Bar Association's support of equality for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community in the legal profession by supporting equal treatment of the LGBT community under the laws of the State of Louisiana.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana State Bar Association recognizes that LGBT people have a human right to be free from discrimination, threats, violence and denigration based on their LGBT status; urges the repeal of all constitutional amendments, laws, regulations and rules or practices that denigrate or discriminate against LGBT individuals; and urges the adoption of laws prohibiting discrimination in employment, housing and accommodations for LGBT persons.

Respectfully Submitted,

LOUISIANA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION HOUSE OF DELEGATES

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29<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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