

United States Senate

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National March for Equality Steering Committee
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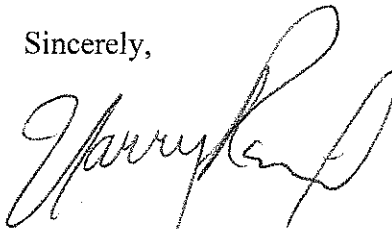
Dear Members of the National March for Equality Steering Committee:

As you prepare to come to Washington, DC, for the National Equality March, I write to join in your commitment to ensure equality under the law. As Senate Majority Leader, I will continue to work tirelessly to pass the Matthew Shepard Hate Crimes Act and the Employee Non-Discrimination Act, as well as to repeal the "Don't Ask Don't Tell" policy. I will also continue to advocate for funding of HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment, research, and housing programs.

I believe that every American should be treated equally under the law regardless of religion, sexual orientation, gender, race, or other forms of identity. I see your struggle for equality as part of a larger movement for peace and social justice.

My best wishes to you.

Sincerely,



HARRY REID
United States Senator
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