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Dear Council Members,

I am writing about the potential ban on conversion therapy that will be voted on tomorrow June 9th.

As a young boy I would at times put on my older sister's dresses and play around in them like many other children have done and will continue to do. As a young man in my early 20's I would sometimes have thoughts about the attractiveness of the same sex, which I think is normal. Most young men's brains do not fully develop until their mid 20's. How can we expect our children to make decisions about their sexual identity when our brains don't fully develop until our 20's?

Today, I am a 33 year old male with a wife and 4 small children. I would be deeply saddened if I had been taught or encouraged to change my sexual identity as a young boy because I put on a dress. I would not be able to enjoy my amazing children that I have today.

Please reconsider your decision to ban "Conversion Therapy" in La Crosse.	Please vote against the ban.
Thank you for your time.	
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