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To the La Crosse City Council:

I am a retired social worker/psychotherapist, and a longtime resident of the La Crosse area. I want to make it clear that I support a ban on conversion therapy. A basic value of the therapy profession is to approach clients with a non-judgmental attitude, providing a supportive milieu in which their ideas and feelings are respected. Conversion therapy's basic goal is to force the client to match the point of view of the therapist, which is the antithesis of therapy. It is an approach that has been shown to harm clients by encouraging them to deny their own personhood. Calling it therapy at all is a misnomer.

Sincerely,
Nancy Thomas-Kremmer

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