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To whom it may concern,

My name is Jacob Wallace and I'm the Senior Pastor at River of Life Church in Onalaska, WI. While I don't live in La Crosse, many of my members and parishioners do. I'm writing in opposition to Sec.32-191; #22-0636 (Conversion Therapy). In our church we have multiple people that identify as either gay, lesbian or struggle with SSA. Each of them have their own story and are looking for healing and counseling from sexual brokenness, abuse, past and current hurts. Men and women with families who experience same-sex attraction often seek out help and counsel. These ordinances infringe on freedom and take away the opportunity for people who want a path out of homosexuality. As the Pastor of River of Life Church, I'm supporting people for rights that they want, and these ordinances take away options for all LGBTQ+ people.

I strongly discourage and oppose this ordinance, as a servant in our community to all people, this ordinance will not treat all people fairly with respect, honor and dignity.

Thank You.

Blessings,

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