

House Freedom Action 300 Independence Avenue S.E., Washington DC 20003

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To whom it may concern:

This is in response to a letter sent to various TV stations by a third party organization about an ad "Sex Change Operations" that House Freedom Action is currently airing.

Thank you for the opportunity to address this flimsy attempt at pulling what is clearly a very effective ad. We note that this letter came from an outside committee and not the candidate or a committee representing the candidate.

Janelle Stelson is endorsed by the very radical Human Rights Campaign that also endorses Kamala Harris, as does Stelson. Endorsement for the "trans agenda" is a key part of their campaigns.



Both support taxpayer-funded sex change operations for prisoners, illegal aliens

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and even children. In fact, President Trump is running an ad on these same stations right now on this exact same topic. Janelle Stelson has not said she disagrees with her runningmate's stand in favor of taxpayer-funded sex change operations on prisoners, illegal aliens and young children, because she agrees with it.

In addition, a number of organizations (including but not limited to the Human Rights Campaign and Planned Parenthood), strongly endorse these sex change operations.

We need you to fight for trans rights! Join HRC's *Count Me In* movement for transgender and nonbinary people who are under attack from anti-LGBTQ+ extremists.

Enemies of equality are advancing well-coordinated and well-funded campaigns against our community. They are targeting trans and non-binary kids and adults with an unprecedented onslaught of bills in state legislatures across the country. And this is happening at the same time that transgender people, especially Black and Brown trans women, are facing a record level of violence — fueled by the propaganda being spread about the community. Those of us who have experienced hate simply for being ourselves know the long-lasting damage this can have on people's lives.

We're asking you to join us in fighting for our transgender and non-binary siblings by signing our Pledge and working every day to make the world a safer and more equitable place for trans and nonbinary people. Please add your name and get your FREE sticker to show your support today! Those who pledge will also be contacted for future actions you can take to demonstrate your commitment to equality.

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Here's where they explicitly say they endorse sex-change operations on children.

Aren't kids too young to transition?

When a young child expresses that they are a gender other than their sex assigned at birth, <u>their parents may</u> <u>support them in finding their own, unique identity</u>. This can involve changing the child's name, clothing or pronouns.

Once a transgender youth reaches puberty, a doctor may prescribe them with reversible puberty blockers to safely delay the effects of puberty. Puberty blockers are not "experimental" treatments, but FDA approved medications that have been used to treat precocious puberty in non-transgender children for several decades. <u>Scientific studies</u> demonstrate that access to puberty blockers reduces suicidal ideation and that parents' affirmation of their child's gender identity reduces rates of depression, anxiety, and suicide to levels consistent with their cisgender peers.

The World Professional Association of Transgender Health's <u>handbook</u>, that doctors and clinicians use to socially, psychologically and medically treat transgender youth, states that irreversible genital surgeries should not be carried out until the individual is of legal age to consent to any procedure. This approach is supported by the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians.

Many transgender people regret not coming out when they were younger, and wish they had support from parents, schools and society to do so. When kids are allowed the freedom to safely express themselves, they are happier, healthier and grow into thriving adults.

Perhaps Ms. Stelson was endorsed by this group (and prominently highlighted on their website) despite disagreeing with HRC on this issue.

We are calling on Ms. Stelson to make her questionnaire public so people can know where she stands on this important issue and whether she's attempting to hide her very radical and extreme support of taxpayer-funded sex-change operations in an attempt to take an ad exposing her support for this sick ideology off the air.

Planned Parenthood, which has also endorsed Ms. Stelson, proudly offers these

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services to children (who else are "puberty blockers" for?).

Get Care

Planned Parenthood is proud to provide a safe and welcoming place to get gender-affirming care. We offer services to transgender women, transgender men, and nonbinary people.

Services include:

- Estrogen and anti-androgen hormone therapy
- Testosterone hormone therapy
- · Puberty blockers
- Surgery referrals
- Transition support (social, legal)
- Other

It's clear Ms. Stelson supports sex change operations on children because groups that make this a top priority have endorsed her candidacy.

Stelson also supports the Equality Act (a top HRC legislative priority). This legislation would extend provisions of the 1964 Civil Rights Act to so-called transgenders and that would permit prisoners and illegal aliens to receive the

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same health care as anyone else, including sex-change operations.

We stand by our ad and will continue to make this claim in subsequent ads. Ms. Stelson needs to release her Human Rights Campaign Fund and Planned Parenthood questionnaires in order to clear up what her views on these topics actually are.

But we doubt that will happen and intend to continue talking about Ms. Stelson's radical, extreme and dangerous woke views on the issues through Election Day.

Thank you for the opportunity to address this matter.

Sincerely,

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