

Dear Federation of Gay Games,

As the Artistic Director of the Denver Women's Chorus, an LGBTQ+ choral ensemble, I am proud to endorse Denver's bid to host the 2030 Gay Games alongside DWC's 176 active members. Our organization performs throughout the Denver metro to highlight issues of social justice and bring visibility to the queer community. We are thrilled at the prospect of participating in the Gay Games as musical ambassadors from the Denver metro.

As a Denverite, I know first-hand that Denver is well suited to host Gay Games XIII. We have a thriving and enthusiastic queer community that comes out to support all manner of arts and culture activities. I have no doubt that it's unique combination cultural depth and highly active population would inspire a city and state-wide embrace of the event.

DWC would be delighted to leverage our local network that includes thousands of audience members and followers in supporting Denver as the host city of Gay Games. By promoting opportunities for members and supporters to participate in athletic events, volunteer at the Games, and/or attend cultural events put on by the games, DWC would help ensure the Games' success.

The opportunity for Denver to host the 2030 Gay Games would represent another step forward for our city. During a time in which other localities across the United States are increasingly attacking the rights of LGBTQIA2+ individuals, Denver has remained steadfast in its commitment to protecting, expanding, and celebrating the rights of LGBTQIA2+ individuals. By hosting the Gay Games, our city would send a strong message to both the rest of the United States, and the world, that we will continue to celebrate diversity, fight for equality, and provide everyone with the opportunity to come together through culture and sport.

I am proud to support Denver's efforts and eagerly anticipate the chance to showcase all our city has to offer to the world.

Sincerely,

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