



**COLORADO**  
**FRONTRUNNERS**  
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Dear Annual General Assembly of the Federation of Gay Games,

We, Colorado Frontrunners, confirm our support of Denver's bid to host the 2030 Gay Games.

Colorado Frontrunners is a running and walking club for the LGBTQ+ community and their friends, and is one of more than 100 International Frontrunners clubs around the world.

Colorado Frontrunners has a long track record of supporting efforts and causes promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion. We welcome diverse runners and walkers to our weekly run/walk meetups and regularly participate in Denver and Boulder's Pride events. For example, for 2024 Colorado Frontrunner members provided water and encouragement to thousands of runners in the 2024 Pride 5k run. And, as a member of International Frontrunners, we lend our support and encourage our members to join in the Gay Games; in 2024 several of our members enthusiastically participated in the Guadalajara games. Several of our members are also engaged in other LGBTQ+ sports in Denver including Denver Squid aquatics club, Hiking with Pride, and Outspokin' bicycling club. Our support of Gay Games XIII is a natural step in further demonstrating our public commitment to these principles.

One of the reasons Colorado Frontrunners (and our partner LGBTQ+ organizations) is so successful is our location: Denver Colorado. With more than 300+ days of sunshine, Denver is an ideal location to enjoy outdoor sports. And, Denver has a long history of enthusiastically supporting LGBTQ+ organizations, recently celebrating its 50th Pride Festival!

As we did with the recent Pride 5k, Colorado Frontrunners would enthusiastically leverage our local network of nearly 100 active members, as well as over 1,000 members of our Meetup Groups, in supporting Denver as the host city of Gay Games. By promoting opportunities for runners and walkers to participate in athletic events, volunteer at the

Games, and/or attend cultural events put on by the games, Colorado Frontrunners would help ensure the Games success.

We are excited by the opportunities collaborating with Gay Games XIII in Denver would present for not only Colorado Frontrunners, but also the local, state, national, and international LGBTQ+ communities. We look forward to working closely with the Denver Gay Games Bid committee in ensuring Gay Games XIII is a truly inclusive event with broad global reach.

Sincerely,

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