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Sunset. Quickly a car drives up alongside of you you stop for red light.



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Suddenly the car is surrounded they circle your blanket coming in closer bottles are thrown out of car windows the sound of glass breaking baseball bats against metal hand grabs your hair glass at your feet in your face in your eyes, a fist across your face again and again I queer tell them tell them.



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Homophobia can kill. Education is the only lasting weapon against bigotry, which is why as a lesbian and gay public awareness project wanted you to hear and think about this message. For more information write us at Post Office Box 65603 Los Angeles California 90065.



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For you to hate you got to be careful



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if we don't teach our children hatred and prejudice, they just might not learn them at all. A message from this station in the National Conference of Christians and Jews



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the following program contains language or images of a frank or sensitive nature that may be considered objectionable by some listener discretion is advised. So even though we face difficulties up today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. Yeah. It is a dream deeply rooted in the

American dream. I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up live out the true meaning of its creed. We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created



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I have a dream. That one day on the red hills of Georgia. sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood. I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi a state sweltering with the heat of injustice, sweltering with the heat of oppression, be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice. I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of our skin but by the content of that character. I have a dream to be



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I have a dream that one day in Alabama with its vicious racist, with its governor having his lips dripping with the words of interposition and nullification. One day right bad in Alabama little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little right boys and right girls has sisters and brothers I have a dream



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I have a dream that one day every ballot shall be exalted. Every hill and mountain shall be made low the rough places will be made plain and the crooked places will be made straight and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all flesh shall see it together. This is our hope. This is a faith and I go back to the south with with this faith. We will be able to heal out of the mountain of despair, of stone of hope with this faith We will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood. With this faith, we will be able to work together to pray together, to struggle together, to go to jail together to stand up for freedom together, knowing that we will be free one day this will be the day this will be the day when all of God's children be able to sing with new meaning. My Country Tis of Thee sweet land of liberty of thee I sing, land where my father's died Land of the pilgrims pride From every mountainside, let freedom ring and for Americans to be a great nation, this must become true. So let freedom ring from the prodigious hilltops of New Hampshire. Let freedom ring from the mighty mountains of New York. Let freedom ring from the heightening Alleghenies of Pennsylvania. Let freedom ring from the snow cap Rockies of Colorado, let freedom ring from the provincial swamps of California, but not only that, let freedom ring from Stone Mountain of Georgia. Let freedom ring from Lookout Mountain of Tennessee Let freedom ring from every hill and mole hill in Mississippi From every mountainside Let freedom ring and when this happens when we allow freedom ring when we let it rain from every village and ever Hamlet from every state in every city we will be able to speed up that day when all the children black men and white men Jews and Gentiles Protestants and Catholics will be able to join hands and singing the words of the old Negro spirits are free at last free at last Thank



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you going for I think that's Robin either on the chat for love or for life we're not going back to Washington DC for gay and lesbian rights



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I want you to savor this next moment. The task of telling that the official count of the lsb and gay rights march the official count is all



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right you may come out strong



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I already have



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a few words for KPFA come on out. Join us, bring your friends. What do you think about the turnout? Well, it never does never enough, never enough. We must destroy the myth Swensons raw shatter them, we must continue to speak out. And most importantly, most importantly, every gay person must come out. difficult as it is, you must tell your immediate family. You must tell your relatives, you love to tell your friends indeed they are your friends. You must tell your name. You must tell the people you work with you must tell the people that historic you shopping



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once they realize that we are indeed their children and we are indeed everywhere. Every myth every lie every innuendo will be destroyed once and for all when you do you will feel so much better.



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I ask people to do one thing. Come out. Come out in America.



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Good morning. Hey, what made a great show tonight. Montrose singers



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over at Jones Hall at Rice University.



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I mean, we're all in shorts and it's 90 degrees outside but girl it must be Christmas. I know. Weren't they fabulous? Really was That was great music all kinds of wonderful, wonderful show.



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Oh, Stan was kind of smiling and tapping us those they were playing a couple of Jewish sayings up a couple of Jewish



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pieces. And it's always good to see Stanley. Did he bring his checkbook? This trip? Yes, he did. Anyway, this is after hours radio celebrating live from the heart of the Montrose. We're here and we're queer. We certainly are. I'm that faggot that works for the Houston Police Department.



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And I'm that faggot who



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doesn't work at all one out of 12 sort of anyway. And we're here to tell you is that this morning, we're free and legal. For a while, well, Dr. Stephen Holtz, he is out there with Mark Weaver and they're in a huddle. And we're going to be talking about Dr. Halsey,



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you are talking about the nonsensical ravings of a lunatic mine.

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Yes, I know that. I'll be here later. We're just here to tell you that we Queen Thank you. I promise we'll be real nice to Dr. hopes. Why? Why since when, since why not? There's nice to us. Well, there's just so much happening because last Monday, a judge said that the Texas sodomy law was unconstitutional. We have somebody here with the Texas Human Rights Foundation, right? Yes, that's gonna tell us what that means. And in the meantime, we're gonna have a good time. We sure are like we always do. And at one o'clock we've got news from the BBC. And it one channel got news from Frank and at 130. We've got news, this way out with Lucia Chapelle and Greg Gordon and the whole thing starts right about now when we try to wonder why Dr. Steven Holt you are

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talking about the nonsensical ravings of a lunatic mind can't understand

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that we're living in the 20th century Yeah, baby. Oh please. Somebody call it Dr. Halsey and tell them we're here and work we're and we're not going away baby new serie 90.1 FM KPFT Houston after hours radio celebrating live from the heart of the Montrose and somebody tell me why Dr. hotseat just doesn't wake up in the 20th century. You're right about now. We'll be back in a minute. Hang on. This is going to be good, right? Yeah.

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After hours radios celebrating live from Harlow Montrose we're here we're queer. One FM KPFT talking about Dr. Steven hopes he and Mark Weaver and

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I'm talking about the nonsensical ravings of a lunatic mind.

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What's wrong with those? No, they

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need to find each other.



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They need to find out that they're living in the 20th century. What Dr. Holton needs to understand is that I've worked for the police department since 1984. And I'm learning this radio program since 1987. And nobody ever gets arrested for this sodomy You think anyway, and girl, what is going on? Even if it screws up because we're live



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waiting it out later so you never know that you know things happen



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like well we're gonna be nice to Dr. Holtzman. Dr. Steven,



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you are talking about the nonsensical ravings of a lunatic mind



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why doesn't Dr. Halsey get off our back



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come on in darker. You know what, we may have to invite him down here and talk to him and find out just what the hell's on his mind. Do you think he'd come? Not much? Do you think Dr. Holsey would come Dr. Steven hopes you



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aren't talking about the nonsensical ravings of a lunatic mind.



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Oh, well anyway, if you don't come we'll be here because this is after hours radio celebrating live from the heart of the Montrose we're here and we're we're just one to many.



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Right

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you know what if Dr. Halsey really tuned in, he'd probably have a stroke and they'd have to rush him out to bed and top. Oh, don't worry. They have trauma care.

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90.1 FM KPFT Houston, we're here and work. We're good god Gertie, it's almost Christmas. And even Christmas shopping. Honey.

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I the preliminaries are all year long.

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I mean, this is the Olympic event for me. I'm right in the middle of it. Yeah. Are you rolling? I haven't done anything yet. We don't even have a tree up yet, girl. Because the Steven healthy thing really bothers me. I mean, we're kidding about him, but he's really a serious person. Absolutely. And we need to take him very seriously. So Dr. healthsci. This was recorded back in 1988. When we did the celebration, a live rally on the steps of Houston City Hall commemorating the anniversary of the death of Harvey Milk, who was murdered, along with Mayor George Moscone by someone with just as much hate as you have. And this young man sat in his seat for 10 years and came to us to speak to us that night. He just happens to be from Port Arthur. And this very day that we recorded this back in 1988 did not only one reelection, he was elected President of the Board of Supervisors in San Francisco. And his name is Harry Britt. And this is what he had to say Doctor hold. See.

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I'm here partly tonight to say some good things about Texas. I'm proud to be a Texan. I know that I could not have heard Harvey Milk's challenge to me, had not something in my life in this state, prepared me to hear the word of freedom that Harvey spoke to us. I am here tonight, because it is time that all of us who love this state that gave us life and has nurtured us and taught us our values to stand up and claim the history of the state for freedom and justice and human respect, away from the forces of narrow mindedness and bigotry that too often dominate the politics of the state of Texas.

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Okay, come on out. What do you think about the period we must destroy the raw data. We must continue to speak out, and most importantly, most importantly, every day.



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I hope you're listening to the words of this song. The power within, we can use it to win. You've already won girl. The Supreme Court said that the army can discriminate against Perry Watkins because he's openly gay. Why do you think the police department don't bother me? I do a gay radio show. I work for a police department, a place where they arrest you for violating the state statute 2106 The reason they don't harass me girl is because I'm out of the closet. And they can't stand it. And there's not a goddamn thing they can do about it. So Bear except get out of our way. There are 20 to 30 million gay and lesbian people in this country and girl if you don't think something's happening look at the paper that's this morning.



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Use the Chronicle today girlfriend



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It's good stuff. We back in a minute hang on mom



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see the problem is baby back in 1985 when this when the referendum referendum thing was defeated. Yeah, I was a scared little queer HIDIN in the dark. afraid to say anything? Yeah, me too. Now I'm really angry and I'm not gonna let Dr. Holsey push us back one. Ensure your girl you know what I mean? Because he's gonna push us well, we're gonna declare war on him.



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90.1 FM KPFT Houston after hours radios celebrating live from Montrose. We were here. We certainly are. And we'll be back with something we're all special. Hang on. Right. Right right.



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And 90.1 FM after hours radio celebrating live from the heart of Montrose KPFT. Houston, we're here. We certainly are.



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yeah, we have a guest, Donald



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I wanted to say skip Werth. There, Donald skip with with the Texas Human Rights Foundation. That's right. And last week, something really special happened, right? If we keep it going,



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well, it's gonna keep going and until we win, and what happened if those people don't know and I'm sure they all know by now, but let's talk about a little bit more is that at approximately noon on Monday, this last Monday, a judge and Austin judge Paul Davis, the 200 District Court Travis County declared 2106 The so called state state sodomy statute to be unconstitutional. Ah,



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first of all, you're an attorney. Right? I'm an attorney and people been arrested under this state sodomy law. Because I'll tell you why I asked you this. I work in at HPD. And dispatch for Montrose. And there have been cases that I knew of were, in one case, a police officer watched two men have sex. Right, which is sodomy under the state law. And they were charged with public lewdness, but they were all down in the woods. And I guess really, the only one they were alluded to was each other, and they weren't charged with the sodomy law. And I asked him why they weren't charged with the sodomy law. And he said it didn't fit. Yet he stood there and watch this happen until the one guy, has anyone really been arrested?



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Actually, I believe there have been people arrested. And of course, as we know, as you would certainly know, being arrested and being convicted or finding out the disposition of things that happened to gay or lesbians, really is not always something that stuck on the front page of the paper. Just because it's not reported. A lot of things happen, a lot of plea bargains are had very quietly so that things are not really publicized. And so I don't to say that it's never really enforced as a law where people are not charged with a statute. I really believe that people have been charged in the statute. On the other hand, I also don't think that just that's certainly not only rationality, breaking the litigation. And I guess I need to also sort of inject in here, the Texas Human Rights Foundation is once again, the entity which has brought this litigation to overturn 2106 as it did in the Baker versus Wade in the federal courts. Right. You bet.



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This just didn't happen on its own. There's that get dedicated group of people out there that are helping us did working for did we have



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a better chance of winning in state court than in federal court?



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I think the federal court has spoken. And it's something as an attorney, that's Ben, as an attorney practice law, but also as someone who's just turned 40 years of age this year. It's been a it's become a realization more and more to really find to sort of discover that the federal courts are not the answer for civil rights litigation anymore. the it's the it's our I guess it's our past. It's that Martin Luther King era, it's the 60s, the civil rights were the federal courts, were in the forefront of making people free. In fact, the federal courts are, are now that we're now had to we had the 10 years now of Reagan and Bush, and we've had a few more of Republican administrations where, of course, Judicial Appointments and on the federal bench, and we're reaping those rewards now, so that now that we really do have the Supreme Court has spoken, and it has, but in the decision of the Hardwick decision, it said that, in fact, it could be addressed by the states. And of course, there are many states in this country that do not have these laws.



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We've asked Frank, our newsman to come in and join us in this conversation. Did you have something you wanted? Yeah, I



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wanted to ask a question. What is the next step then in the process? Or is this long going? Is this decision going to be appealed by anyone? Do you know of?



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We don't know of anybody who said, Yes, we're going to appeal it. I don't think that anybody is really, on the other side, quote, unquote, is really excited about having to do anything with this law. Obviously, we had to force them into this litigation. We've got a law now that verbally was ruled to be unconstitutional. Last Monday, the judge has said that he will have a written order prepared some time in early January. We believe that means that actually, Travis County will be a free County and probably the only free county in the state of Texas.



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I was so we're still crooks?

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I think that we probably are still crooks. They've you know, they've there's a little excitement by being but you know,

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I'm confused now. So this is not statewide. This is just Travis County. Well,

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what we have is you have to remember is we're gonna we're gonna digress a little bit into into legal easier. We have as a trial court decision, we don't have an appellate decision and appellate decisions are what really make precedents as far as the laws are concerned. So we all know, it's we're in a strange position of being having been successful on a trial court level, and really saying, but we really want this thing to be appealed. And so if, you know, it's like if people say, you know, God, it's appeal what bad news? You know, first of all, I want everybody to be real excited that this thing has happened. I mean, it's not it's not The war but it was a major battle. We won a trial, we went to trial, which said that 21 06 is unconstitutional. That was not a minor thing. That was a major hurdle. Now we have to go to the appellate courts and what?

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Excuse me, what do you say to somebody like Stephen? Hopefully, Dr. Halsey, who was the big leader, the straight slide, which fall it fell apart. But what do you say in response to the statement he made in the paper last week, that the only reason it was declared unconstitutional was because we sought out a liberal judge? And you know what, you know what I'm saying? Because I don't

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I wish that we had that kind of control. We don't

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you kind of addressed that, because we didn't pick the judge. Right,

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the voters of Travis County pick exactly. And, you know, the voters of Travis County had the, you know, had the wherewithal to pick someone as judge, he was fair, and he made a fair and honest decision. Just this is a stupid law,



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just like the voters of Travis County, the voters of Harris County didn't support the straight slate because it was a big, whatever. Okay, so So if we're still criminals, what are we gonna do with?



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What does it all mean? Now?



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What it means this isn't over.



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Okay, what are we gonna do with people like me that that are openly gay and work for the police department and can get arrested on Tuesday when I go to work? And they say, did you and I go, Yeah, well, it's not gonna happen, right? Or is it going to happen?



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What is probably going to happen is that the next time you want to get a raise, you want to change jobs, or you want to do something, as we know, has happened in Dallas, Mike England, that female applicant who wants she was told that she went to the went through the interview process and was told and told him up front that she was lesbian. When she got to a certain point, the rationale for her not being hired was because, well, you're a lesbian. And she had been open and honest and have been encouraged to do so I want to say that wasn't a problem. Thank you. That's what the problem is with this law. And it makes us all criminal. And in



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my case, I've said, I've sort of got the same protection, that probably what Ken said, when he went to the Supreme Court. They hired me back in 1984, and didn't ask me where I sleep. And I've been down there all these years. So it's a little late now. Well,



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also, like you have just a little bit of comfort in working for a governmental entity. And they seem to be a little bit touchy about these kinds of but there were you worked for Enron, you

work for IBM, you work for a major corporation, or even not a major corporation, you run the risk of being fired summarily, just because you're homosexual.



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But there are gay police officers who have been ran off Mark Timmers was here a couple of years ago, and he was just literally ran off. Would they fire us? If 30 million of us were out?



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Would they fire us? I think it's probably some some wood, some wooden, I don't say that the repeal of 2106 is going to save everybody their jobs if like if like go out of the call come out of the closet. It's not the ultimate gay rights that we're all seeking. But certainly decriminalize is sort of the essence of our of what makes us homosexual. Exactly



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what this opened up funding for gay organizations in the state that have been denied funding because of the criminal status that's put upon homosexuality.



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Some of that has already been addressed. We're actually there. Is there that funding, there was an attorney general's opinion where that with regards to AIDS funding, there was some problems and in fact, that has been surmount has been surmounted, there is there is funding now going to certain organizations. But I think that it certainly it's always there to be used as the scapegoat reason for not contributing to organizations to which people like ourselves



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have, Donald where do we go from here?



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Well, where we go from here is number one, before I forget, because I did bring one piece of paper. I want everybody to remember that this cost lots of money. And we have an attorney named Patrick Wiseman, who I think is among the best in the state. And so far, so good. But it also is costing protects human rights foundation, a lot of buildings and someday we really have to pay our attorney, because we have that obligation. And we went in this with in good faith. And I would like everybody to remember as a Christmas present to every one of their friends. I particularly in my own mind, like to think of it as sort of a memorial to a lot of people I've known and a lot of people who I want them to be free to the Texas Human Rights Foundation 2201 North Lamar Boulevard, suite 203 Austin, Texas 78705 And I'm gonna say it again 2201 North Lamar Boulevard Suite 203 Austin, Texas 78705



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Then you can call the station and get that address or you can call the game lesbian switchboard and low contribution to thr F. would be a nice Christmas present for yourself.



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Yeah, absolutely. There's there's that threat then that somebody like Holtz is going to stir up enough people to get some attorney somewhere to challenge this ruling, right?



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Frankly, I'd be just as happy if Steven healthsci was the person that picked the attorney, because I think he's an idiot. And if he's if he picks an attorney that's like himself, and he'll have an idiot attorney.



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Yeah. Did the State did the state and listened to any testimony in this case? Or was there anything presented, I read that Dr. Paul Cameron, I moved here from Nebraska 10 years ago, and we had something on Lincoln, Nebraska. We went before the city sort of sort of like the the city referendum here that was defeated. And Dr. Paul Cameron rallied the wagons and they circled everything. And it was awful. It was an awful defeat, but the gay community, so to sit back and watched it happen, like we did here in Houston, did. Did they call any witnesses? Or was anything actually read? Or Did anybody testify? Or did the judge just come out? And well,



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it was, in fact, gather was done a lot by stipulation. And what that means is that everything was entered in the record, there was an oral argument. The judge examined the pleadings, the affidavits, listened to the testimony and made his decision. In fact, Paul Cameron was the expert for the state of Texas. I can say a lot of things off the record. I will not say here. However, I'm just as pleased as punch that that is what they want to use for an expert. Yeah, I think the man is, you know, so Looney Tunes. I've got some tapes from he's our, he's our best. Mate. That's what being heterosexual is. And thank God, we're all gay.



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I've got Dr. Cameron that I brought with me from Lincoln, when all this happened 10 or 12 years ago that we're saving for Sunday?



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Well, he's got I've actually when I was I was going on Wildenstein, I'm kind of a you know, I must be a media hit. I wasn't a Wildenstein last week. And I mean, this week, actually. And I'd asked the office up in Austin to send me the pleadings. And in they inserted Dr. Cameron's affidavit, as Margaret Tucker on legal director says, you know, you've got to read this, it's just at least nothing else is worth a good laugh. I mean, some of the things that he says are just really incredible. I mean, while he actually ties less Looney Tunes and ties lesbians into not ties lesbians, but links lesbians, too, to things like,

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how do you link a lesbian?

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Like talking about how, you know, lesbians and anal sex, and he's like, it's it, then it has this little footnote? You know, of course, these are this is when lesbians have sex with bisexual or heterosexual men is like, Well, excuse me, I guess that we have a different perception of what lesbians are, I mean, really talking about this, you know, how lesbians are responsible for the spread of AIDS? And I'm like, Wow,

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he's really he's really out there. Yes, really twisted. But that's what we have to make make you aware of is that there are a lot of twisted people out there who want to hurt us and who want to continue to keep us down. But there are a lot of people out there who are on our side.

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Well, you know, it's my theory, my theory, that, that most people in this state really don't care Exactly. But yet there is a 10% or maybe a little bit maybe 13%. Okay. Fringe out there that is very vocal, and will always be out front on this issue. And, you know, using, you know, God and the Bible and the cross, you know, when they marched into their legislators office, and it's very threatening those people. Well, I mean, somehow we have to, we have to respond to that. All right. And it was that people really don't care, because this law doesn't affect you know, them and they just realized they've they're really more hassled about getting back and forth at rush hour.

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And we must point out that those are the same Bible verses that they used to keep the blacks on the back of the bus and that was our foot and pregnant women from not voting. Yeah, we also have to point out that it's not the God it's their God, because that God certainly doesn't

include if you were happened to be a Buddhist or if you happen to be Catholic or if you happen to be any STB, Judeo Christian, they're certain and we when we start talking about God, there's certain restrictions that they even want to put on



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that. Well, ya know what I mean? Absolutely. First, you



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got to understand, I mean, that's why I have a problem with this whole prayer thing. If we're gonna say a prayer, that's fine, but I may be Buddhist and I want to pray to Buddha and you know, that's not going to be allowed.



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Well, I've just, you know, people who, you know, I mean, I think Christianity is supposed to be you know, about love and all those kinds of things. And you know, it's really bad, you know, A lot of people do this fringe group certainly does tend to make it a gospel of hate. It's not just for us, but for the blacks and everything.



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It's really human rights when there's really



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unhappy people you have anything else Frank



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just isn't going to the decision that will be made by the Supreme Court will finally have the Texas will finally put this thing to bed. Is that not



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true? We believe that the court of ultimate jurisdiction will be the Supreme Court and not the Court of Criminal Appeals, although there are legal minds who say, Would you ever go the Court of Criminal Appeals? If you had that option? And I don't think we're going to have that option. I think it will be with the Texas Supreme Court.



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What about from Attorney General elect Dan Morales, and we heard anything from him.



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The only kind of rumblings I hear is that this is not the top of their agenda, and they really wish that it wasn't here.



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But that's what that's what they told us the last time because it wasn't the Attorney General of this state that made a ruckus the last time. Right.



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Right. It'll we don't know who's going to appeal this. Like, in some respects, I mean, I want everybody understand we want we really wanted appeal. Don't get upset when it is appeal. It's okay. You know, it's not over with well, we don't have this thing. Texas is not a free state, Travis County may be a free County. But we all you know, in time, we'll see the conclusion of this. And I think we all can put enough pressure on everybody. I mean, don't don't think that Justice Tom Phillips can't be subjected to a little pressure. He's a politician, he has run for office, he needs to hear from all of us.



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That's sort of what I meant earlier, not about being out of the closet. But if 30 million people in this country would write to Washington things would change, or 30 million people in this country would register and vote, things would change. So we can do things with our money and with our votes that they don't want us to do.



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I'm just expecting the same leadership from the appellate court that we got in the trial court. You know, we just want an honest opinion. And an honest opinion says, this is nobody's business. But that's right.



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There you go. Stevens with the Texas Human Rights Foundation, and that address again. Do you have them Donald? Donald,



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I'm sorry. My pocket once

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he's got Steven who

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went to this. I went to this this Montrose singers thing tonight, and they were like men everywhere. There's nothing like getting your names. Can you be thinking about

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Texas Human Rights Foundation? Or just write your check to thr F? Yes. 2201 North Lamar Boulevard, suite 203. Austin, Texas 78705.

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So it's the foundation going to be doing anything special for the inauguration. We were talking about that before we went on. I

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don't know if we had talked about it doing an open house at our new offices. We just located new offices, just like 18th in new places, just a few blocks from the Capitol building. But as I'm sitting here, and I just get more pumped up about this, if possible, of course, I mean, we you know, we've only got one real staff person up there. But if we could organize some kind of maybe joint effort with a bar or something, it's Monday night's low night, right? We could perhaps put on a little sort of festive theme free and Richards let's take back the Capitol. Soiree.

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Were you in Travis County when this all took place? was wrapped because I was gonna ask you like if the police department was hiring down there, or if they had a radio station?

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Well, let me just tell you that there was it was a very four of the five plaintiffs were there. And after the judges love everybody, after everybody was sort of wefts done when he made his announcement, really, we weren't prepared for this. Exactly. We didn't think Justice was going

to be quite as swift as it should have been, but it is this time. When he left the courtroom, the place went into pandemonium, and people were hugging and crying.



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I can't imagine I expected this to be like a go on for months and months and months. Yeah,



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when I was called from Austin, it was like, the it was like, I had no idea that this was gonna happen. Listen,



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thanks for coming by. And once again, we've been talking to



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Donald skip with with Texas Human Rights Foundation. Louise



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always has the names right. Thank you very much. And we'll see you in Austin. Great. I will see you here but thanks for coming out tonight. Yeah, especially on such short good coffee. Short. Thank you. Thank you. We didn't really didn't plan this. But this is real important. And we want to thank you for taking the time to come down. Hang on. The news is coming up next. We'll be back with more right after this after hours radio celebrating live from the heart of Montrose. We're here and work we're KPFT Houston 90.1 FM.



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