

## American Model United Nations Human Rights Council

HRC/II/9

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Human rights, sexual orientation and gender identity

SUBMITTED TO: The Human Rights Council

## The Human Rights Council,

1 Affirming the mission of the Human Rights Council to address important human rights issues, such as 2 freedom of association and assembly, freedom of expression, freedom of belief and religion, women's rights, lesbian, 3 gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) rights and the rights of racial and ethnic minorities,

4 Declaring that LGBT individuals, in the eyes of the Human Rights Council and its members, are considered 5 members of the human race and are entitled to rights thereof,

6 Noting further that all members of the international community are naturally entitled to the basic human 7 rights oflife, freedom of movement, freedom of association, thought, conscience and religion, by virtue of belonging 8 to the human race, regardless of any geographic or legal conditions,

9 1. *Encourages* states to accept this resolution to set a precedent of respect for LGBT individuals within the 10 Human Rights Council as stated within the preamble;

1 2. *Expresses its appreciation* for States who champion the rights of all disenfranchised persons in the 12 international community, particularly LGBT individuals;

3. *Condemns* individual, extralegal acts of violence against any disenfranchised persons in the international community, particularly LGBT individuals;

4. *Further invites* States with conflicting views on the rights of LGBT individuals to continue to engage in diplomatic discussion with one another within international bodies, such as the United Nations Human Rights Council, and any other bodies or regional forums that they feel respect their state sovereignty.

Passed, Yes: 14 / No: 1 / Abstain: 8