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Amendment 18

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Motion for a resolution

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Recital A

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Amendment

A. whereas LGBTIQ rights are deleted
human rights;

Or. en

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Recital C

Amendment

C. whereas since March 2019, over 100 regions, counties and municipalities across Poland have adopted resolutions declaring themselves free from so-called LGBTI ideology or have adopted ‘Regional Charters of Family Rights’; whereas in November 2020, the Hungarian town of Nagykatá adopted a resolution banning the ‘dissemination and promotion of LGBTQ propaganda’; whereas these resolutions discriminate directly and indirectly against LGBTIQ people; whereas LGBT-free zone resolutions declare opposition to the ‘ideology of the LGBT movement’ and call on local governments to refrain from any action that would encourage tolerance towards LGBTIQ people, including withdrawing financial assistance from organisations that aim to promote non-discrimination and equality; whereas the ‘Regional Charters of Family Rights’ use a very narrow definition of the family, while calling on municipalities to protect family rights in all their policies, initiatives and funding; whereas by focusing only on these types of family, the Regional Charters are indirectly calling for discrimination against all other forms of families, in particular single-parent, same-sex couples’ and rainbow families, and to refrain from providing financial support to projects and initiatives which

*protect and promote fundamental rights,
organise anti-discrimination education or
in any other way support equality and
LGBTIQ people;*

Or. en

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Recital D

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D. *whereas the Polish Ombudsman for Human Rights has initiated nine complaints against some of the regions, counties and municipalities which have adopted resolutions on being free from ‘LGBT ideology’, which has resulted to date in four resolutions being declared unconstitutional by administrative courts; whereas in January 2021, the Polish town of Nowa Dęba withdrew its resolution declaring itself free from so-called LGBT ideology following the loss of a twinning agreement with the Irish town of Fermoy; whereas the Polish county of Sztum and the Polish town of Tomaszów Mazowiecki withdrew their resolutions adopting Regional Charters of Family Rights in September and October 2020 respectively;* *deleted*

Or. en

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Recital E

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E. whereas Norway withdrew from granting funds to the Polish regions, counties and municipalities which had adopted resolutions declaring themselves free from so-called LGBTI ideology or had adopted ‘Regional Charters of Family Rights’; whereas the Commission has rejected applications for EU funding under its town twinning programme from Polish towns that had adopted LGBTI-free zones or family rights resolutions; whereas all EU funds managed under the Common Provisions Regulations 2021-2027 must respect the principle of non-discrimination and respect fundamental rights as set out in the Treaty, including on the basis of sexual orientation, and whereas municipalities acting as employers must respect Council Directive 2000/78/EC, which prohibits discrimination and harassment on the ground of sexual orientation in employment, in accordance with the judgment in Case C-507/18 Associazione Avvocatura per i diritti LGBTI⁹;

⁹ *Judgment of 23 April 2020, Associazione Avvocatura per i diritti LGBTI, C-507/18, EU:C:2020:289.*

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Recital G

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G. *whereas the adoption of resolutions on being free from so-called LGBT ideology or ‘Regional Charters of Family Rights’ are part of a broader context of increased discrimination and attacks against the LGBTIQ community in Poland, which include characterising diversity of sexuality, identity and expression as a dangerous ideology, of growing hate speech by public authorities, elected officials – including by the current President – and the pro-Government media, as well as of arrests of LGBTIQ rights activists, of attacks against and bans on Pride marches and awareness-raising programmes and actions, including in schools, and of discriminatory anti-LGBT demonstrations; whereas hate speech by public authorities legitimises and further fuels the climate of intolerance and discrimination against LGBTIQ people; whereas exercising freedom of expression carries duties and responsibilities, particularly for public authorities, politicians and opinion leaders, and whereas they should not engage in hate speech or any discourse stigmatising LGBTIQ people, and should firmly denounce and counter such narratives and stigmatisation, including when they are expressed by private parties;* *deleted*

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Recital H

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Amendment

H. *whereas the Polish activists who are acting against and informing the public about the resolutions on being free from so-called LGBTI ideology and the ‘Regional Charters of Family Rights’ are facing strategic lawsuits against public participation (SLAPP) owing to their work; whereas the Polish activists who are working to denounce anti-LGBTIQ declarations and family charters, including the authors of the ‘Atlas of Hate’ website and the creator of the ‘LGBT-free zone’ photo project, have been subjected to unfounded lawsuits filed by local governments or fundamentalist organisations claiming substantial financial compensation, and to a smear campaign labelling them as liars for using creative advocacy tools; whereas these actions are clearly intended to intimidate and silence civil society; whereas the Polish authorities have a duty to fully protect all persons belonging to minorities, including LGBTIQ people, from hostility and aggression, and to enable them to carry out their activities freely; whereas the Commission has not introduced anti-SLAPP legislation, despite repeated calls from Parliament;* *deleted*

Or. en

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Recital J

Amendment

J. whereas the LGBTIQ Survey II published by the FRA in May 2020 highlights an increase in intolerance and violence towards LGBTIQ persons or persons who are perceived to be LGBTIQ in Poland, and shows Polish LGBTIQ respondents' complete absence of faith in the government's efforts to combat discrimination and violence, recording the lowest percentage of anywhere in the Union (only 4 %), and the highest percentage of respondents avoiding going to certain places for fear of being assaulted, harassed or threatened (79 %); whereas this shows a clear correlation between LGBTIQ-phobic governance and increased discrimination and violence against LGBTIQ people;

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K. *whereas Parliament has already encouraged the Member States to criminalise ‘so-called conversion therapy’ practices; whereas the May 2020 report of the UN Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity has called on Member States to adopt bans on practices of ‘conversion therapy’; whereas the practice is still carried out in at least 69 countries worldwide, including in the European Union, where the use of medication, psychotherapy and ritual cleansing in conversion therapy have been reported to have taken place in EU Member States¹⁰; whereas the practice has only been banned in two Member States of the European Union, namely Malta and Germany;* **deleted**

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<https://www.theparliamentmagazine.eu/news/article/meps-condemn-lgbt-conversion-therapy-in-appeal-to-european-commission>

Or. en