REVISITING PEDOPHILIA AND HOMOSEXUALITY

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Pedophilia, which is sex between an adult and a prepubescent child, is different from homosexuality, which is sex between adults of the same sex. Though they are different, unfortunately there are prominent gay leaders who have been supportive of adults having sex with minors, and some even justify man-boy rape. Moreover, while there are heterosexual pedophiles as well, the only ones who have an organization dedicated to pedophilia are gays.

June was Gay Pride Month. We called attention to this issue, asking gay leaders to speak to it with clarity. If everyone can't agree that the sexual abuse of children is an abomination, we will never get rid of this problem.

The following is our report on this subject. For a slightly longer version, which notes the sources for these entries, see our website for our news release of June 3rd, titled, "Pedophilia and Homosexuality Revisited."

Harry Hay

Harry Hay was "The founder of the gay movement in America."

"...[I]f the parents and friends of gays are truly friends of gays, they would know from their gay kids that the relationship with an older man is precisely what thirteen-, fourteen-, and fifteen-year-old kids need more than anything else in the world. And they would be welcoming this, and welcoming the opportunity for young gay kids to have the kind of experience that they would need."

Larry Kramer

Larry Kramer was a leading gay rights activist and founder of the "queer-led" terrorist organization ACT UP.

"In those cases where children do have sex with their homosexual elders... I submit that often, very often, the child desires the activity, and perhaps even solicits it, either because of a natural curiosity... or because he or she is homosexual and innately knows it.... And unlike girls or women forced into rape or traumatized, most gay men have warm memories of their earliest and early sexual encounters; when we share these stories with each other, they are invariably positive ones."

Harvey Milk

Harvey Milk was the first openly gay man to be elected to public office; he served as a member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in 1978.

"[Harvey] Milk's sexual history with young people is well documented. Milk's biographer Randy Shilts in 'The Mayor of Castro: the Life and Times of Harvey Milk,' spends half a dozen pages detailing the 33-year-old's sexual relationship with a 16-year-old."

Craig Rodwell

Craig Rodwell, a leading gay activist, told his biographer that from the age of 13 to 14 he had sex with "hundreds of men." Rodwell went on to say, "This is what I lived for, literally. And that's all I thought about all day long, just so I could get downtown and go cruising.…It had a great sense of freedom about it and adventure and, oh, I met all kinds of guys…."

Prostasia Foundation

While it claims to be a "child protection organization,"

Prostasia is in fact one of the leading advocacy groups to normalize sexual relationships between adults and minors, or as it prefers to call them "Minor-Attracted Persons." The group regularly downplays the criminality of such relationships and instead focuses on reducing the "stigma" surrounding individuals who engage in such abhorrent acts.

Prostasia blog editor Sheila van den Heuvel-Collins tweeted, "Merry Christmas to everyone, including the nepiophiles [someone who has sex with infants], pedophiles, hebephiles [someone who has sex with minors between 11 and 14] and ephebophiles [someone who has sex with adolescents between 15 and 19] who have to put up with stigma every single day of the year."

B4U-Act

Another advocacy group for "Minor-Attracted Persons," B4U-Act also works to normalize perverse relationships between adults and minors. In addition to countering "stigma," B4U-Act has additionally supported studies to provide a "scientific basis" for its advocacy. Some of these studies have been conducted at Nottingham Trent University in the United Kingdom, Royal Ottawa Mental Health Centre, and McGill University in Montreal.

NAMBLA

The North American Man/Boy Love Association (NAMBLA) was founded in 1978 with the stated goal of ending "the extreme oppression of men and boys in mutually consensual relationships."

"NAMBLA is working to change public perceptions and laws about consensual sexual relationships between adults and minors. Today, the law and public prejudice make little or no distinction between a man who forcibly rapes a child and one who genuinely cares for and loves a boy. Some judges have condemned boy-lovers as being 'worse than murderers,' even though their only 'crime' has been to share their body and affection with a boy in a friendship that includes mutually enjoyable sexual experiences. It is a shame that in American society, it is a greater crime to love a child than it is to beat-or even kill-a child."