



IN THE LIFE

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IN THE LIFE MEDIA (ITLM) LAMENTS THE PASSAGE OF ANTI-GAY BALLOT INITIATIVES IN ARIZONA, ARKANSAS, FLORIDA AND CALIFORNIA

In The Life Media, Inc. Executive Director Michelle Kristel released the following statement:

"As the only group whose civil rights have been put up to a vote, the results of these hateful initiatives reinforce the unfortunate reality that LGBT people are second-class citizens in this country.

"With our rights hanging in the balance of public opinion, and with that opinion shaped by a media barrage of right-wing rhetoric and divisive political machinations, the importance of credible, independent LGBT media can not be overstated.

"Throughout our 17 years on national public television, IN THE LIFE has documented the fight for full equality for all citizens. ITLM affirms its commitment to create understanding and acceptance by educating a national audience to the people and issues shaping the gay experience. Until the fight for social justice is won, ITLM will continue to produce media that produces change."

About In The Life Media

In The Life Media provides information about the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender communities, documents the ongoing LGBT civil rights movement, and produces diverse images of the LGBT community to create better understanding and acceptance.

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Produced by In The Life Media, IN THE LIFE is the longest running television show documenting the gay experience. IN THE LIFE is a three-time Emmy Award nominee, a Lambda Legal Liberty Award honoree, and the recipient of the Courage Award from the New York City Gay and Lesbian Anti-Violence Project. In 2004, GLAAD honored our organization with the prestigious Barbara Gittings Award "for contributions to LGBT media." In 2006, it won the Seigenthaler Award from the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association for "excellence in network television."

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