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Monthly LGBT-Themed Alzheimer's Support Group Meetings Begin Wed., Feb. 15, Noon

"Aging Fairly" Programs Address Elder Issues in the Queer Community

(Louisville, KY) In an ongoing effort to better support the underserved aging lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) population, the Fairness Campaign is launching an "Aging Fairly" program series to address Alzheimer's Disease, legal concerns, and other health and safety issues. Part of the "Aging Fairly" series will be a monthly LGBT-themed Alzheimer's support group, held in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association, that begins next Wednesday, February 15, Noon at the Fairness Campaign office (2263 Frankfort Avenue). The first meeting includes a free lunch and features an informative "Alzheimer's 101" presentation by Meredith Miller, Family Support Manager with the Greater Kentucky and Southern Indiana Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

The "Aging Fairly" Alzheimer's support group will be held monthly on the third Wednesday in the Fairness Campaign office. It is free, confidential, and open to anyone in the LGBT and allied community that has been affected by Alzheimer's Disease. Meetings will be co-facilitated by the Alzheimer's Association's Meredith Miller and Col. Luke Barlowe of Kentucky Advocate Association. A free lunch is provided at the first meeting and a brown bag lunch is welcome at each meeting thereafter.

Beginning in April, four free "Aging Fairly" legal clinics will be offered the third Sunday of each month, 2:30 p.m. at the Fairness Campaign office. These clinics will assist in legal issues and document preparation relating to relationship and property rights, hospital and end of life care decisions, family and adoptive rights, and more. Fairness Campaign Coordinating Committee member Nicole Kersting, a graduate of the University of Louisville Brandies School of Law, will facilitate the "Aging Fairly" legal clinics.

WHAT: LGBT-Themed Alzheimer's Support Group

WHEN: Wednesday, February 15, Noon (3rd Wednesday of each month thereafter)

WHERE: Fairness Campaign office, 2263 Frankfort Avenue

WHO: Anyone affected by Alzheimer's Disease

Meredith Miller, Alzheimer's Association, Co-facilitator; Col. Luke Barlowe, Kentucky Advocate Association, Co-facilitator

Founded in 1991, the Fairness Campaign is Kentucky's oldest operating broad-based community effort dedicated to equal rights for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people. Its primary goal is comprehensive civil rights legislation prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity, and to dismantle systemic racism.

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