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To: OFL Executive Board and Executive Council

Sisters and Brothers:

WorldPride is an international celebration that incorporates activism, education and the celebration of the history and culture of LGBTQ people. We are proud that this year Canada will host WorldPride 2014 in Toronto on June 20-29, 2014.

During WorldPride, the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC), Ontario Federation of Labour (OFL) and the Toronto and York Regional Labour Council (TYLC) will be vigorously promoting the labour movement's work in defending equality for LGBTQ workers through the past four decades. We will celebrate our gains and develop strategies for our ongoing work to address discrimination and inequality in both the workplace and in our communities. See www.labourpride.com for updates on event listings for community activism and labour information during World Pride.

The OFL will be participating in every aspect of the WorldPride Festival and at the WorldPride Human Rights Conference. We strongly encourage each OFL affiliate to register delegates to the Human Rights Conference. The CLC and OFL will be presenting "Pride at Work" at the Human Rights Conference on June 27 at 9:00 a.m. There are other workplace-oriented conference presentations organized by international and national allied organizations.

The OFL, CLC, TYLC and affiliated unions will march together in the annual Pride Parade beginning at 1:00pm. To find out how to march with the labour contingent in the Pride Parade, please contact Federico Carvajal fcarvajal@clc-ctc.ca, CLC Ontario regional office or Carrol Anne Sceviour csceviour@ofl.ca at the OFL.

We also encourage everyone to join in the annual Trans March on Friday evening June 27 and the Dyke March on Saturday June 28.

For information on WorldPride 2014, visit the website <http://worldpridetoronto.com>. To find out more information on the Human Rights Conference and to register delegates go to <http://www.wphrc14.com>.

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Canada's labour movement has long been active in Pride events - in communities across Canada and in more than 20 Ontario centres throughout Pride season. There are a variety of events hosted by WorldPride 2014, allied organizations and affiliates. We encourage you and your members to join the CLC, OFL and TYLC at the various marches and activities. Attached is a WorldPride 2014 schedule of Labour and Community Events and Ontario Community Pride list.

In solidarity,



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Attach.

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Nancy Hutchison, OFL Secretary-Treasurer
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OFL Women's Committee
OFL Human Rights Committee
OFL Workers of Colour Committee
OFL Aboriginal Circle
OFL Persons with Disabilities Committee
OFL Youth Committee

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