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Ladies and Gentlemen:

After watching a telecast on CSPAN of the military regulations involving homosexuality and how President Clinton wishes to change the current policy, I was highly compelled to write and share my views. As a spouse of a military member and a government employee as well, this issue affects my personal life; I deal with military people and regulations on a daily basis. President Clinton's action on this matter is totally inappropriate, irresponsible, and thoughtless. He obviously has no idea how this will negatively modify military family life--nor does he care.

As a taxpayer and registered voter, I would like to think that my opinion counts. However, President Clinton is making it quite apparent to the people that their opinion actually counts for very little. Evidently, he believes that it is his conception that is important and no other. Where is democracy?

Allowing homosexuals into the military will cause more chaos than President Clinton's narrow mind could possibly conceive. Would the U.S. Government allow women and men to shower together? Share the same barracks room? Sleep together in a "fox hole" on the front line? Definitely not! It would be unethical and iniquitous. What about the moral obligations stipulated in military regulation--such as NO oral sex. Obviously, that regulation, along with many others, will have to go! How sad. What type of reputation will that leave the United States Military with?

My next question is how can President Clinton even consider allowing homosexuals to conduct the very acts that I mentioned above? It is difficult to compare a woman's feelings towards a man, for example, to a homosexual man's feelings toward another man, but, basically, they are synonymous in this case. In addition, would it be fair to separate the females from the males if you are allowing homosexuals to share facilities with people they consider "the opposite sex"? Wouldn't that be unfair and unequal treatment?

Where is the logic behind the principle? Human emotions and feelings can impede the way we think about, act upon, or judge a situation. What would be the impact of a male homosexual in the state of "love sickness" over the male sharing the same "fox hole" on the front line? I can infer all sorts of conclusions, but the main consequence would be lack of proper perspective and focus on

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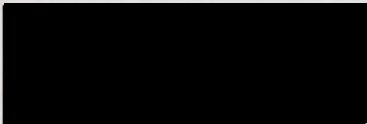
the job--possibly costing many lives. Would the same situation be allowed with a female and a male. I doubt it.

Also, military family life should be a major consideration. In contrast to civilian life, a military member does not have a choice of his home or his neighbors when he is placed in family housing. I, as a mother of three, would definitely not appreciate living next to two individuals of the same sex who may wish to show their affection in public. I do not want my children to be exposed to this type of behavior, and surely anyone with any morals would feel the same.

What these people wish to do with their lives is their own affair. However, the military is a structure of high morals and proper, ethical behavior; it is not a place for homosexuals.

Please do not allow my time, effort, and energy to be wasted. I would very much appreciate a response to the issues I have discussed and questions I have raised. Therefore, please forward this letter to the person/people who could best answer them.

Sincerely,

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CC: President William Clinton
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