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OK METROPOLITAN LIBRARY SYSTEM USES TAX DOLLARS TO PROMOTE GAY PRIDE MONTH TO CHILDREN

June was Pride Month at the [Oklahoma Metropolitan Library System](#).

While not wishing to demonize any individuals taking part in the activities produced during the month, there are unfortunate issues created by taxpayer supported entities dedicating taxpayer resources to nontraditional communities in this way.

First of all, this is overrepresentation of an underrepresented group in the population to the point of discrimination against other more prominently represented groups - particularly Christians - who should not celebrate the same beliefs about non-traditional sex roles (or pride for that matter) as those for whom Pride Month is celebratory.

This point was made recently by [a group of Edmond Pastors](#) who wrote a public letter to Darryl Davis, the Mayor of Edmond, criticizing his decision to name June Pride Month for the City of Edmond – without a vote of the council, and on behalf of ALL Edmond citizens, many of whom do not share the same beliefs.

Secondly, if the OMLS attempts not to discriminate against Christians by also observing a Christianity month, for example, where does this practice stop? There are all kinds of groups today represented in our society and there are only 12 months. Which groups are to be included for a whole month celebration on the taxpayer dime? Satanists? White supremacists? Both groups exist in Oklahoma, pay taxes (one hopes) and are proud of their group associations – presumably with the same passion as LGBTQ group members and allies.

If neither of these groups sound viable for inclusion, why? Where is the point of 'inclusion' drawn? Who decides? If the idea is to 'represent' all taxpayers **with taxpayer dollars** it would appear all groups must be represented, or the inconsistency can lead to charges of discrimination.

Ideally, tax dollars should be used on only the most necessary government functions. One of these is not using the public library system to produce a month's worth of activities celebrating a lifestyle with which not all taxpayers are comfortable and to which children should not be subjected.

Contact the Library Commission through this link to comment - <https://www.metrolibrary.org/about-us/administration/commission>

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