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 **TODAY'S "SHORT TOPIC"**
DISPENSE
WITH THE LIES
ABOUT HATRED!



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Here's what provoked me:

One more time, I have to redirect a claim that those who have some concerns about the transgender restroom/locker-room issue are just HATERS. We haven't even defined what "transgender" means or what it is, or what rights need protection. And full-fledged federal regulations are being first and foremost applied in our public school system. There seems to be no room for wisdom, logic, or mature thinking!

Here's my response:

Dispense with the Lies about Hatred!

Michael Golding shows he doesn't understand his topic when he refers to those with transgender bathroom concerns as "those who hate" ("Transgender, marijuana haters," June 12). I speak for a very big slice of concerned citizens. While we have a general concern, it's focused on our public school system, and as such, it becomes a combined restroom/locker-room concern.

Many who think like me are NOT concerned about the transgender population, in its various manifestations. We're concerned with doing things that make common sense and are not just following the latest politically correct stampede. One of the arguments against us is that there is no record of problems in restrooms with transgender persons. We don't claim there is!

We're concerned about things like respecting the privacy rights of a vast majority of our youth. We have taught them the value of modesty, and in a few weeks there's been an about-face on that! We're concerned that this offers a "welcome-mat" for frisky young rascals doing mischief, and for actual molesters, an open door. Statistics based on the past don't count because there was always a legally acceptable confrontation available. Now there is none.

This isn't hatred.....it's simple logic, wisdom, and maturity!