



Appendix III: Press Release

Contact: [Insert contact name, phone and e-mail]

[INSERT ORGANIZATION] CELEBRATES LGBT CENTER AWARENESS DAY

[Insert city] – [Insert your organization] is joining with CenterLink: The Community of LGBT Centers (www.lgbtcenters.org) and the Consortium (www.lgbtcampus.org) to celebrate the annual LGBT Center Awareness Day. [insert date, insert organization] will hold a [insert event or activity i.e. a free blood tests, seminar, etc.] where [insert details about what your event is offering].

"LGBT Centers play such a vital role in our communities," said Denise Spivak, CenterLink's Interim CEO. "Over 40,550 people visit the over 250 community centers across the country every week. Centers have more direct access to the LGBT community than any other organization and are the backbone of the LGBT movement. We are excited to highlight that work through Center Awareness Day."

J.T. Turner & Chris Woods, Consortium co-chairs added, "The Consortium is excited to participate in Center Awareness Day once again. It is a great opportunity to celebrate and highlight the work of our members both within university contexts and local community contexts. It is also a time for us to encourage collaboration with our local community partners and share resources."

LGBT Center Awareness Day is designed to showcase the vital role that community centers play in the health, empowerment, strength and cohesiveness of all LGBT communities. Events will take place at local centers all over the world in celebration of the day.

LGBT Center Awareness Day also has a civil rights equality push on a national scope, with an organized effort for municipal, county, and state proclamations honoring the day and the work that LGBT centers do, as well as efforts to get individuals everywhere engaged in "personal awareness actions," ranging from wearing a button to visiting a center.

[Insert 2-3 sentences about your organization's event and how it is supporting LGBT Center Awareness Day.]

[Include a quote by spokesperson from your ED/CEO/Board Chair/Spokesperson/University.]

