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President Barack Obama The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. 20515

Secretary Arne Duncan U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue Southwest Washington, D.C. 20202

RE: Kevin Jennings

Dear President Obama and Secretary Duncan:

Enclosed for your reference is an editorial written in today's *The Washington Times*. The individual who is the subject of this article is someone with whom you are familiar, as he is a presidential appointee to the U.S. Department of Education.

On at least one prior occasion, my fellow Members and I have written to you regarding the type of behavior that Mr. Jennings has been promoting to our school-age children; however, the premise of the enclosed *The Washington Times* editorial heightens the complete lack of regard this Administration has followed regarding sexual relationships between adults and children.

Must I remind you that such behavior is never "okay" – and is illegal.

The fact that this Administration stands by quietly while Mr. Jennings goes out into the public, under the cloak of protection of a presidential appointment, and informs our schoolchildren on behavior which is not only unspeakable, *IT IS CRIMINAL*.

This letter is about a grown man. Kevin Jennings, teaching school children as young as 14 years-of-age, that it is okay for them to have sex with grown adults. Mr. President, this is <u>NEVER</u> okay. The callousness of this type of instruction is further evidenced by his relationship, and subsequent endorsement, of an individual who has an organization whose SOLE purpose is to advocate sexual relationships between grown men and adolescents. This activity is NOT one, and can never be one, in which the U.S. Department of Education promotes either by omission, through action or commission through silence.

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The silence of this Administration with regards to Kevin Jennings cannot stand. He must be fired and must be fired today.

There are plenty of knowledgeable, honorable, respected and forceful advocates of your policies who could ably fill this job. Kevin Jennings is not that person, has never been that person and must not stay that person.

I respectfully request you remove him today and then submit an appropriate nomination to the U.S. Senate for his replacement.

With kinds regards,

Michael C. Burgess

The Washington Times



Wednesday, December 9, 2009

EDITORIAL: Obama's risky-sex czar

THE WASHINGTON TIMES

WARNING: This editorial includes discussion of topics that are sexually graphic. Under usual circumstances, we would never entertain these subjects or the rancid language involved. In this case, however, a very unusual exception must be made because the issues are central to the background of a senior presidential appointee at the U.S. Department of Education who is in a position to influence how and what our children are taught in our nation's schools. Thus far, out of fear or squeamishness, there has been public hesitance to examine closely the beliefs of this individual because many are afraid even to touch the risky content. Our scruples cannot be used against us when traditional moral precepts need to be defended. Simply, the deep level of depravity involved in this subject cannot be portrayed without providing a couple of examples to illustrate the inappropriate content. Please do not read any further if you will be offended by sexually graphic language.

The Obama administration is stonewalling serious inquiries about sexual filth propagated by a senior presidential appointee who is responsible for promoting and implementing federal education policy. Democrats clearly are terrified of ruffling the feathers of their activist homosexual supporters, who are an influential part of the Democratic party's base. This scandal, however, is not merely about homosexual behavior; it is about promoting sex between children and adults - and it's time for President Obama to make clear that abetting such illegal perversion has no place in his administration.

It is curious why White House officials and Education Secretary Arne Duncan believe it's worth it politically to continue taking arrows for defending Kevin Jennings, who is Mr. Obama's controversial "safe schools czar." The evidence suggesting he is unfit to serve as a senior presidential appointee is startling and plentiful. It was revealed this week that Mr. Jennings was involved in promoting a reading list for children 13 years old or older that made the most explicit sex between children and adults seem normal and acceptable. This brought up anew Mr. Jennings' past controversies, such as his seeming encouragement of sex

between one of his high school students and a much older man as well as his praise for Harry Hay, a notorious supporter of the North American Man Boy Love Association.

But there is more. There are shocking new revelations this week of tape recordings from a youth conference involving 14-year-old students. The conference, billed as a forum to encourage tolerance of homosexuality, was sponsored by Mr. Jennings' organization and was held at Tufts University in March 2000. Mr. Jennings was executive director of the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (GLSEN) from its founding in 1995 until August 2008. The conference sessions appear to have had less to do with promoting tolerance and more to do with teaching children how to engage in sex.

Andrew Breitbart's Biggovernment.com provides tapes of some of the sessions. Describing the subject matter as smut would be putting it lightly. The conference discussions were very graphic and cannot be relayed in full detail in a family newspaper. A few examples are sufficient to describe the depravity of the subject matter. During one session about oral sex, a presenter asked the 14-year-old students: "Spit or swallow? Is it rude?" In another session, the 14-year-olds are taught about a gross practice called "fisting," in which "the man leading the discussion position[ed] his hand and show[ed] 14-year-olds how to insert their entire hand into the rectum of their sex partner."

Teaching children sexual techniques is simply not appropriate. Unfortunately, it is part of a consistent pattern by some homosexual activists to promote underage homosexuality while pretending that their mission is simply to promote tolerance for so-called alternative lifestyles. It is outrageous that someone involved in this scandal is being paid by the taxpayers to serve in a high-powered position at the Education Department, of all places. At some point, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Jennings, Obama administration spokesmen and the president himself are going to have to start answering questions about all this. Refusing to do so won't make the issue go away.

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