

An explanation of TheOtherFlag

“Sexual orientation” discrimination laws protect the rights of all citizens, including the rights of those who hold contrary beliefs, including the belief that (1) all sexual relations are morally wrong except those between a man and woman united in matrimony and (2) gender is established at conception and it is not possible to change or choose one’s gender and it is wrong to try. “TheOtherFlag” shown on the reverse side of this flyer represents these legally protected views.

TheOtherFlag’s meaning is the mirror image of the gay/transgender pride flag’s meaning, and this mirror image forges its potency.

To be a mirror image, TheOtherFlag does not invoke a deity or use religious terms (such as “sin” or “judgment”) to condemn sexual transgressions or judge those who participate in them. Instead, it only *proclaims* the *belief* that such sexual behaviors/beliefs are “*morally wrong.*” When the gay community showers their opponents with invective such as “homophobes,” “bigots,” or “haters,” they are labeling them “morally wrong.” Since both sides say, in essence, they are morally right and the other is morally wrong, discrimination law demands that *both sides be treated equally without showing a preference for one’s opinion over the other’s.* It is therefore illegal to allow one flag or icon to be displayed in a place that is covered by discrimination laws while disallowing or even lightly discouraging the display of the other. This would be discrimination, and this is unlawful.

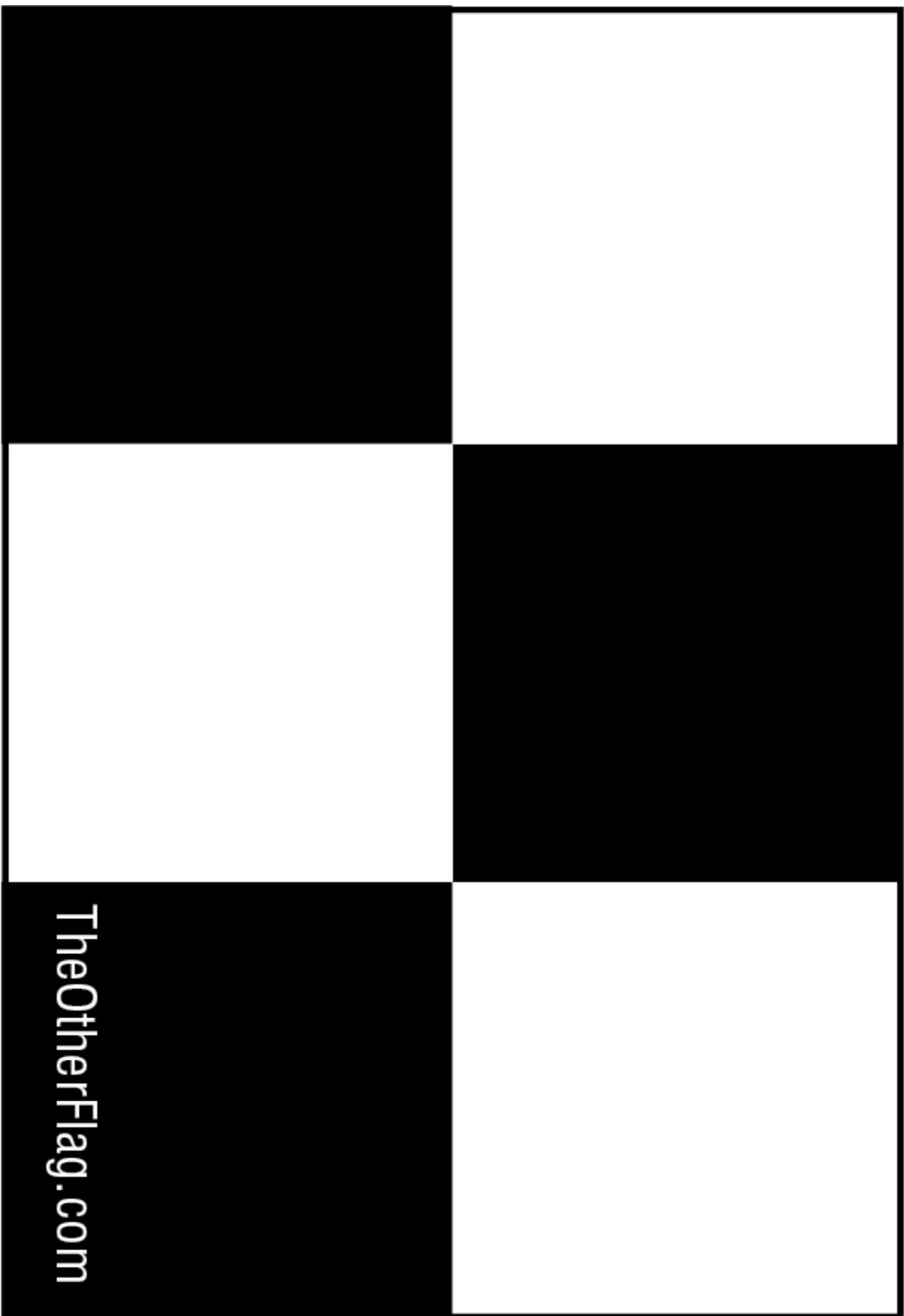
Just as the gay pride flag can mean you only stand with the *views* of the gay community, even though you personally are not “gay,” displaying TheOtherFlag does not necessarily proclaim that the bearer *holds* a particular set of values; merely that they *stand with* those who do. Thus, it is illegal for a business, school or government entity to stand with the gay community and fly a gay pride flag but refuse to fly TheOtherFlag to show support for those with a different set of values. Such disparate support would make the unsupported group (in this case, those who hold to traditional beliefs) illegally feel “unwelcome and uninvited.”

The meaning of the flag cannot be misconstrued to say something else because it is entirely defined at this website: www.TheOtherFlag.com

By legally establishing the right to display this flag in the workplace and school, you also have the right to freely discuss the meaning and values conveyed by the flag. So while teacher A tells kids that they may be gay or that they can change their gender, TheOtherFlag reminds the school establishment (as well as the students, parents and community) that Teacher B has the legal right to a contrary view, and the legal right to share that view in class as well.

Once this icon is seen enough to become a recognized symbol, possibly even in just a single workplace, anyone can then start demanding equal treatment so that schools, businesses, or government agencies must *either cease displaying gay pride flags or display this flag in the same manner.* News reports from even a single discrimination lawsuit will encourage others to do the same.

Go to TheOtherFlag.com for advice on how to deploy the flag and a suggested letter to give your supervisor or principal making them responsible for ensuring that you are not harassed by others for displaying TheOtherFlag. Free materials available at the website. Please display this symbol widely, particularly at rallies or events.



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