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Re: Confirmation of *Pride Not Prejudice* Performance at the Bronx Community Pride Center

To Whom It May Concern:

At Bronx Community Pride Center we know that HIV/AIDS is becoming a conventional topic in New York City schools and community centers. It is clear to us that inner-city LGBTQ youth are becoming indifferent to the reality of this epidemic because of pedestrian methods of teaching. On October 20, 2008, Rick Mueller presented *Pride Not Prejudice* to our youth and revived their curiosity. That evening's production spurred a level of excitement that led to an empowering discussion on the social impact of HIV/AIDS on today's youth.

We are constantly looking for innovative methods to educate our youth on life skills and it is rare when we encounter tools as effective as Rick Mueller's *Pride Not Prejudice*. I must admit that our youth can be a difficult audience to capture, but that afternoon they were completely engaged and open to the lessons of responsible decision making.

Sincerely,

Lisa Winters
Executive Director