

HRC Equality Convention & National Dinner Highlights “Tango” Book Banning Case

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Partner Lauren Zimmerman spoke about why she “Shows Up” in the fight for equal rights at the Human Rights Campaign’s (“HRC”) Annual Equality Convention in Washington, D.C. this past week.

In this presentation, Lauren discussed the First Amendment case she is litigating on behalf of the authors of “And Tango Makes Three” (“*Tango*”), a children’s book that was removed or restricted in several Florida school districts for its positive message about LGBTQ+ families. Selendy Gay has secured several victories, including a ruling that Florida’s “Don’t Say Gay” law is inapplicable to school library books, leading to restored access to *Tango* in Lake County, Florida.

U.S. Democratic Vice President candidate Tim Walz spoke at the HRC National Dinner following the convention, emphasizing the need to defend LGBTQ+ rights ahead of the 2024 election. In his speech, he spoke about the fight to protect *Tango* and books like it in public schools, calling out book bans as one of the challenges facing our country.

“We are going to make sure our children are seen,” Walz stated.

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