#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2695**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Salisbury, Maryland that the following individual is appointed to the Human Rights Advisory Committee for the term ending as indicated.

<u>Name</u> Dillon Prochnicki Term Ending November 2020

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION was introduced and duly passed at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland held on November 14, 2016.

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

John R. Heath

PRESIDENT, City Council

APPROVED BY ME THIS 21" lav of NoV\_, 2016 Jacob R. Day MAYOR, City of Salisbu

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## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

To:	Tom Stevenson, City Administrator
From:	Julia Glanz, Assistant City Administrator
Subject:	Appointment to the Human Rights Advisory Committee
Date:	October 31, 2016

Mayor Day would like to appoint the following person to the Human Rights Advisory Committee for the term ending as indicated.

<u>Name</u> Dillon Prochnicki Term Ending November 2020

Attached you will find information from Dillon Prochnicki and the Resolution necessary for his appointment. Please forward this information to the City Council so it may be placed on their agenda for the next Council meeting. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Attachment

cc: Mayor Day

### Nancy Talbott

From: Sent: To: Subject: Dillon Prochnicki <prochnickidillon@gmail.com> Saturday, October 29, 2016 10:07 AM Nancy Talbott Letter of Interest in joining Salisbury Human Rights Advisory Committee.

10/29/16

Dear Mrs. Talbott,

Today I am writing to you to express my interest in joining the Human Rights Advisory Committee for the City of Salisbury. I feel that I can bring a lot to the table (which I will elaborate on in the next paragraph) and can be a valuable resource.

I believe that I would add an interesting perspective as I am a gay high school student. I also lack the proclivity to romanticize the issues facing Salisbury, as I am a recent transplant from the Washington D.C. area. Despite my limited time in Salisbury, I am interested in helping my community in any way I can. As a proud and concerned gay kid, I was among the founding members of Wicomico High School's Gay-Straight Alliance. We strive to create awareness and start a dialogue about LGBTQ+ issues. We hope to make it known that words like the pejorative f-word, or any hateful words for that matter, should not be used. Personally I hear the word fag at least once a day, whether it is in the classroom (and the teacher does practically nothing about it), or in the hallway where education is the only means of change. I feel that I would be effective in transmitting the human rights issues faced by my peers to the committee. From what I've heard from my peers, neighbors, and teachers, Salisbury has come a long way in the last decade, but there is still work to do. I would like to help to provide insight on how to communicate the issues regarding human rights to my peers, who are the future citizens of Salisbury. I agree with Frederick Douglass that "It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men". If we can lead the still developing teens down a path of consideration and mindfulness then maybe some day we won't need a human rights advisory committee.

Most Enthusiastically,

Dillon Prochnicki

Post Script.

Click Here for my (extremely brief) resume

# Dillon Prochnicki (240) 507-3091 prochnickidillon@gmail.com

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# Education

Wicomico High School

2016-Present

# Experience

Founding member Wicomico High School Gay Straight Alliance 2016-Present

• I am a founding member of a GSA dedicated to promoting awareness and starting a discussion about LGBTQ+ rights.

Volunteer Poplar Springs Animal Sanctuary Poolesville, Maryland

• As a volunteer at Poplar Spring I was tasked with nurturing, feeding, and cleaning up after the animals.

# Achievements

- Winner National Geography Bee, North Bethesda Middle School
- Academic Honor roll and/or Straights A's every term
- French Honors Society

# Interests

- Alpine Skiing
- Classical Music and Opera
- History, particularly World War 2

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• Politics and Government