Silence And Truth

To the Editor:

Many high schools across the country including Hunterdon Central, are endorsing a "Day of Silence" on April 25 sponsored by The Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network (GLSEN). For a list of other schools endorsing this day, see www.missionamerica.com.

GLSEN's "Day of Silence" encourages students to remain silent throughout the day. The overall strategy is to try to change society's views on homosexual behavior. The name, however, is deceptive because only the truth is being silenced.

A "Day of Truth" on April 28will counter the shameful "Day of Silence." "Day of Truth" will give the Biblical world view on the subject. It was established to counter the promotion of the homosexual agenda. Participating students are encouraged to wear T-shirts and pass out cards (not during class time) with the following message:

I'm speaking the truth to break the silence. True tolerance means that people with differing — even opposing — viewpoints can freely exchange ideas and respectfully listen to each other. It's time for an honest conversation about homosexuality. There's freedom to change if you want to. Let's talk.

Kits, a "legal rights" memo and other material can be obtained from www.dayoftruth.org or by calling 1-800-TellADF.

The real debate over the homosexual issue is: Who decides right or wrong? Is it man (human autonomy) or God (special revelation)? You cannot have absolutes without a sovereign God; everything becomes relative. Great philosophers could not discover truth, justice, morals and beauty by human

reason (rationalism), human experience (empiricism), human feeling (mysticism) and human faith (fideism).

For information on this topic and information about when an ex-homosexual spoke at Hunterdon Central on March 22, 2001, see the New Jersey Institute for the Advancement of Truth Web site at www.njiat.com. Click the high school clubs link.

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Editor's note: According to Central Superintendent Lisa Brady, Day of Silence is an activity sponsored by a student club called PULSE (People understanding love serves everyone). Faculty and staff members will respect a student's right to observe this day within reason, as its goals include safer schools, tolerance and positive change against name-calling, bullying and harassment.

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