

Statement:

The Gender Diversity Coalition stands together, unwavering, against the growing attacks of the anti-gender movement. These attacks are not just about policies, they affect real people, real lives, and the dignity of LGBTIQ+ individuals across South Africa.

We know what is at stake. Our Constitution promises equality, freedom, and human dignity for all, and we refuse to let fear and misinformation strip away the hard-won rights of our communities. Every intersex, transgender and gender-diverse person has a right to walk through the world without fear, to receive healthcare without judgment, to be recognized in law, and to be appreciated and embraced for who they are. But right now, those basic rights are being threatened.

We stand in solidarity with all people, groups and organisations that are fighting for human rights, health rights and social justice, especially for the most marginalised. We want to strengthen our relationships with progressive forces that aims to realise the right to self-determination and bodily autonomy for all people.

We understand that being in solidarity means more than just resisting oppression; it means showing up for one another, fighting for justice, and ensuring that no one is left behind. It means amplifying voices, creating safe spaces, and pushing back against those who seek to divide, dehumanise and harm.

Our strength is in our Unity. Our power is in our Truth and Authenticity. Together, we will not just survive—we will thrive.

