

In 1964, the landmark U.S. Civil Rights Act became law. This landmark legislation outlawed discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex and national origin, making all citizens equal under the law in all aspects of American commerce. Long before that, the U.S. Constitution made it clear government could not discriminate. Government preferring one citizen over another under a warped notion of diversity sends the message that some discrimination is okay if the government says it is. This is wrong and dangerous. That's why, as a member of the State House I voted in 2009 to refer Prop \_\_\_ to the ballot.

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Proposition \_\_\_ would eliminate racial and sex preferences in public education, public contracting and public hiring. It is straightforward. The opposition wants Arizonans to believe it hinders progress for women and minorities. That's outright false. Proposition \_\_\_ mirrors the Civil Rights Act and aims to end all forms of racial and sex discrimination by constitutionally banning preferential treatment by government to groups or individuals based on their race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin regarding public employment, education and contracting.

Discrimination in any form is wrong. When it is practiced by government because of individual interests, the American ideal of equal applied to all will never be realized. It's time for Americans to come together rather than continuing things that keep us apart. Please join me in voting yes on Proposition \_\_\_.

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