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**Philadelphia Incumbent Councilperson At-Large Candidate, Jim Harrity
Doubles Down on His Support for Equal Rights For All, And That Includes
Drag Queens.**

On Wednesday Night March 22nd, 2023, the first local political event of this kind, specifically supporting Drag and the LGBTQ+ Community was hosted by Philadelphia's Drag Community at Woody's Bar in Center City.

A number of city officials including Democratic Councilpersons Mark Squilla and Cindy Bass came to one of the US's largest and longest running LGBTQ+ bars to see the area's best Drag performers put on a variety show in support of Jim Harrity who is running for reelection Philadelphia City Council Members At-Large.

Harrity has spent his career in public service standing up for equal rights for all citizens of Philadelphia and continues to lead the pack and speak out.

The LGBTQ+ Community is at risk of losing basic civil rights if MAGA Republicans are successful in pushing their radical legislation through. This is happening not just in the South but also in Pennsylvania as failed GOP Governor Candidate Doug Mastriano, who is still a PA State Senator, looks to regulate drag shows the same way adult cabaret is regulated; an undeniable first-step-targeting of the LGBTQ+ people of Pennsylvania.

Candidate Harrity was joined on stage by Philly's Hardest Working Drag Queen, Brittany Lynn who hosted an hour-long floorshow with guest stars Lisa Lisa (of Bob & Barbara's Fame), and Gay Sinatra; doubling down in his support of I.D.E.E.A. (Inclusion, Diversity, Equality, Equity, and Access)

City Officials and notables that came out to support Harrity included; State Senator Sharif Street (D), Former Representative Robert A. Brady (D), D.A. Larry Krasner, Democratic Incumbent for City Commissioner Lisa Deely, Joe Grace for Director Of Communications for City Council President Darrell Clarke, Billy and Michael Weiss (Woody's), First LatinX-Transwoman Democratic City Council At-Large Candidate Deja Lynn Alvarez, and welcoming remarks from with District 181 Representative Malcolm Kenyatta (prerecorded.)

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