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**TO:** Members of the CLC Canadian Council

Greetings,

WorldPride is an international celebration that incorporates activism, education, and the celebration of the history and culture of LGBTQ people and communities from all around the world. For the first time, Canada hosts WorldPride this year in Toronto, Ontario, between June 20<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

During WorldPride, the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC) will promote the labour movement's work in defending fairness for LGBTQ workers, celebrate our gains, and develop strategies for our ongoing work to address discrimination and inequality in both the workplace and in our communities.

The CLC will be participating in both the WorldPride 2014's Human Rights Conference and the Pride Festival. We encourage affiliates and federations of labour to help us bring the Fairness Works message by sending delegates to the Human Rights Conference, and marching in the Annual Pride Parade on June 29<sup>th</sup>.

During the Human Rights Conference, the CLC and the Ontario Federation of Labour are presenting "Pride at Work" on June 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. There are other workplace-oriented conference presentations organized by international and national allied organizations. For information about the Human Rights Conference and other labour events during the Human Rights Conference, contact Rashida Collins at rcollins@clc-ctc.ca.

On June 29<sup>th</sup>, the CLC along with affiliates and the Ontario Federation of Labour will march together in the Annual Pride Parade. To find out how to march with the CLC in the Annual Pride Parade, please contact Federico Carvajal at fcarvajal@clc-ctc.ca at the CLC's Ontario regional office.

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For information about WorldPride, visit their website at http://www.worldpridetoronto.com. To find out more information on the Human Rights Conference or to register delegates, go to http://thereadingsalon.ca/wphrc14. For information on Labour events during WorldPride see OPSEU's website: http://www.labourpride.com.

Canada's labour movement has long been active in Pride events in communities across Canada throughout Pride season. There are a variety of events hosted by the WorldPride organizers, allied organizations and affiliates. We encourage you and your members to join the CLC at the various marches and activities. Attached to this letter you will find a list of events and marches.

In solidarity,

Hassan Yussuff President

cc: CLC Officers CLC Executive Assistants CLC National Directors CLC Regional Directors

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