Letter to the Editor:

A word of thanks

I was thrilled to read that Senator James Jeffords has finally decided to become a co-sponsor of the federal bill prohibiting discrimination against gays and lesbians in the workplace. Vermont now has all of its Washington delegation as co-sponsors. (How many other states can boast this?!?)

I am sure this would not have been possible without the diligent and difficult work of one of your frequent writers, Paul Olsen. I know Paul has been tirelessly working toward Jefford's signing of the bill, and he can be proud that his hard work has paid off. All gay, lesbian, and bisexual Vermonters should be thankful that one of our own was willing to take up the fight for equality for everyone. Thank you Paul, and congratulations!

Tom Aloisi
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OPINIONS IN THE MOUNTAINS

Readers are encouraged to voice their opinions by responding to the question posed in this monthly feature. Please send responses to OITM at P.O. Box 177, Burlington, VT 05402, or via the Internet at OutVermont@aol.com.

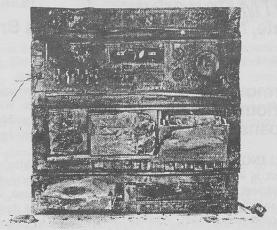
This month's question concerns October 11, National Coming Out Day. This annual event has been set aside for gays and lesbians all over the country to consider their next step in the very personal process of coming out.

Is National Coming Out Day a good idea? Do you plan on participating by taking your next step in coming out? How and why?

Readers' opinions will be printed next month.



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