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Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (PFLAG) is a national non-profit organization with over 200,000 members in over 500 chapters in the U.S. We are members of the Hinsdale, IL chapter. The mission of PFLAG is to promote the positive health and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) persons, their families and friends through support, education, and advocacy.

We are writing to you about PFLAG because your library is a key source of information for people who find out that their family member or friend is gay. These family members will seek books from the library to help them understand what they can expect when their child says that he or she is gay. We would like to work with your library so these persons can have all the resources they need about LGBT topics. We would like to interest your library staff in the following activities:

1. We would like to send you monthly PFLAG meeting notices to post on your library bulletin boards.
2. If possible, we would like to place PFLAG pamphlets next to a gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender literature section.
3. We would be happy to set a meeting with your library staff and share information about key books that were helpful to PFLAG parents.
4. We would like to host a public information session at the library to talk about PFLAG and LGBT books that our parents found to be helpful.

We are also inviting you to a PFLAG Open House meeting on Sunday, August 5th from 2-4pm. All of your library staff members are welcome to attend. The open house will be held at our regular meeting location, the Hinsdale Unitarian Church, 17 W. Maple, Hinsdale. Our information line is 773-935-2398. Parking is available. Our website is www.pflagchicago.com. Our guest speaker for the open house will be Dr. Fraynd, the first openly gay principal of the Chicago Public School System. We will also have general announcements, member introductions, and a small group session. Everyone is welcome – family members of LGBT children and anyone, LGBT or straight, who is interested in LGBT issues.

We would like to contact and see if you would be interested in working with PFLAG. If interested, please RSVP to Peter Ji at pjiman1@hotmail.com or at 630-297-3658. We are excited about the possibilities that our PFLAG chapter can bring to your library. PFLAG has been an important part of our lives and we want to let as many people know as possible what PFLAG has meant to us. Thank you for time and we hope to visit you soon.

Sincerely,

PFLAG Hinsdale