

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
TAMPA DIVISION**

ROBERT L. VAZZO, LMFT, individually and on behalf of his patients, and DAVID H. PICKUP, LMFT, individually and on behalf of his patients,

Plaintiffs,

v.

CITY OF TAMPA, FLORIDA,

Defendant,

v.

EQUALITY FLORIDA,

Intervenor-  
Defendant  
(Motion Pending)

No. 8:17-cv-02896-CEH-AAS

**PROPOSED INTERVENOR-DEFENDANT EQUALITY FLORIDA'S  
RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFFS'  
MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

Proposed Intervenor-Defendant Equality Florida Institute, Inc., opposes Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction, filed concurrently with their Complaint. Plaintiffs did not file their lawsuit until eight months after Tampa, Fla., Ordinance No. 2017-47 (the "Ordinance") went into effect. Nevertheless, Plaintiffs claim that they will be irreparably harmed unless this Court immediately enjoins the Ordinance. They will not.

On the other hand, LGBTQ minors—a highly vulnerable part of Tampa's population—will be harmed if the Ordinance is enjoined and the dangerous therapeutic practices Plaintiffs seek to perform on minors are allowed to be used. Manifestly, the requisite weighing of harms tilts in favor of avoiding harms to minors.