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Human Rights Student Commissioner Application

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Desc	<p>The fundamental right to express one's self and view the world uniquely allows us to progress and better our society in ways that could not be accomplished without that freedom. It encourages us to create new concepts and to better the old. It drives us to explore ourselves and theorize about our surroundings. It creates a diverse and well-rounded society like no other. But most importantly it allows us find a kind of happiness unique to each individual without fearing for our safety during the search. Protection against discrimination is the most important right granted to an United States citizen, yet it seems to be the one most often violated. I have had the opportunity to see first hand the effects of discrimination, violence, ignorance, and microaggressions that stem from a world filled with prejudice and inequality. I have also been exposed to the experiences of others through work with organizations like PFLAG and NCTE (National Center of Transgender Equality). Through that I have developed a passion for protecting those who feel they have no voice and evening their chances for a life where their happiness does not coexist with danger. The Howard County Human Rights Commission would be an amazing opportunity to contribute to the protection of those fundamental rights in my community. I would be able to bring a strong passion and dedication to the cause, and would be honored to be involved in any way.</p>

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