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Government Takes Money from Bank Account of Mayor Who Refused to Celebrate 'Pride Month'



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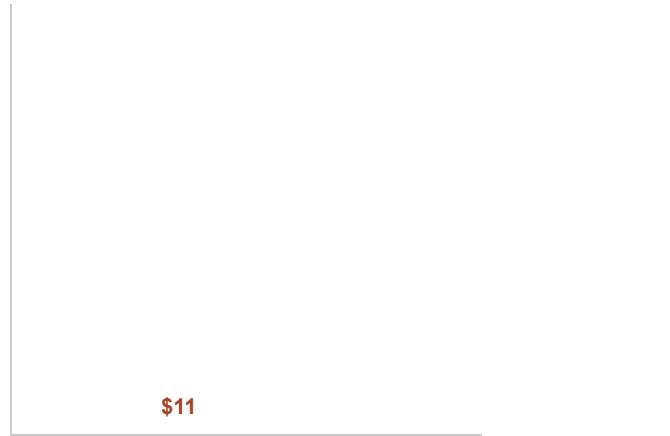
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A Canadian mayor is facing the consequences for refusing to bow at the “pride” altar.

The [Toronto Sun reported](#) Saturday that Emo Township Mayor Harold McQuaker was fined \$5,000 by the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario for comments made in 2020 opposing a request for the town council to declare June “[pride month](#)” in Emo.

His offending comment, according to [CTV Winnipeg](#), was, “There’s no flag being flown for the other side of the coin ... There’s no flags being flown for the straight people.”

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McQuaker was also ordered to attend a “Human Rights 101” course, often referred to as a “re-education” course.

He said he would refuse to comply with either, telling the Sun, “I utterly refuse to pay the \$5,000 because that’s extortion.”

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#REPORT: Harold McQuaker, the mayor of Emo, Ontario who was recently fined \$5,000 and ordered to attend a "Human Rights 101" training course for refusing to honour pride month, says he will REFUSE to pay the fine or attend the training, describing it as "extortion."

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“Sure, sex is great, but have you ever garnished your mayor’s bank account after he publicly refused to comply with a Tribunal’s order to pay damages?” a post by the organization asked [via Facebook](#).

Borderland Pride told the Sun in an email, “It was apparent he would not voluntarily make payment of the damages ordered. We took immediate action to garnish his bank account.”

The organization said, “The garnishment was issued by the court and delivered to the CIBC in Emo, which is the only bank in that community.”

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Emo's story has all the hallmarks of the Orwellian nightmares we've come to expect out of [Canada](#).

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If you do not bow to the mob, you will face punishment and re-education.

McQuaker did not do anything in the sense of taking action against a certain group of people; he simply refused to endorse "pride" dogma as a government official.

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Damages taken from McQuaker and re-education are bad, but this only takes Canada down a darker path looking forward.

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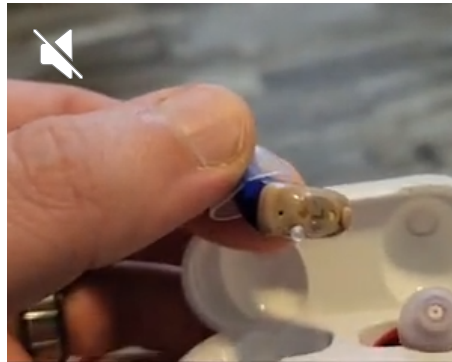
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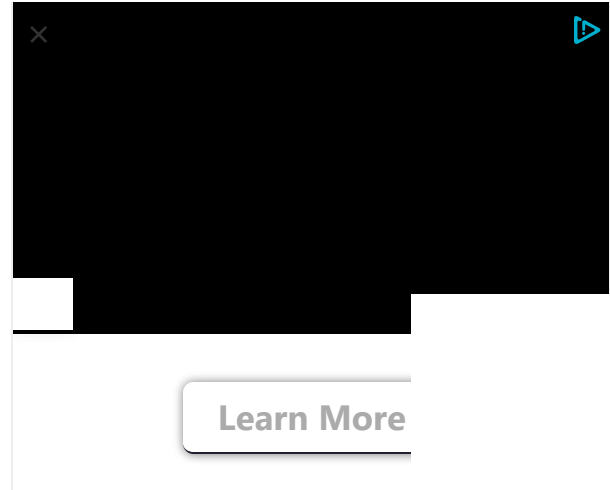
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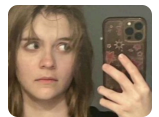
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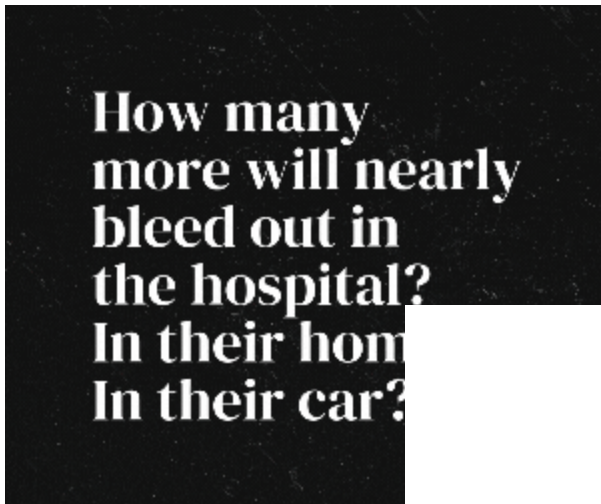
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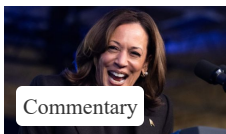
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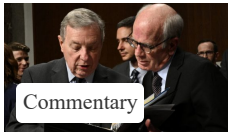
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