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HUMAN RIGHTS AT FOREFRONT FOR BOSTON PRIDE Hosts statewide tour to garner community input

November 2, 2011 – The newly formed Human Rights and Education (HR&E) Committee of Boston Pride, proudly announces its **2011 - 2012 Community Forum Road Tour.** Beginning on Wednesday, November 16 at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Haverhill, the committee will launch a statewide outreach effort to talk with members of the LGBT Community to gather data on how it can best serve its constituents. The event begins at 7:00pm at 16 Ashland Street, Haverhill and is free and open to all.

The HR&E Committee is the arm of the Boston Pride organization that advocates for social justice for the LGBT Community by disseminating news, promoting dialogue, and mobilizing people to take action on issues of local, national and global significance.

"As we build a Human Rights component into our organization, we want to gather input from our community that can help guide us on our course. We want a new program to be relevant and useful to the people we serve," asserts Boston Pride Director of Development, Keri Aulita.

"We plan to give you the opportunity to directly express your thoughts and ideas," says Michael Bookman, Co-Chair of the HR&E Committee.

In the first few months of 2012, the Road Tour will hit the Western MA, the South Shore and the Greater Boston area. Dates and locations are to be announced. For more information on the Human Rights & Education Committee of Boston Pride, visit www.bostonpride.org/pride365/humanrights.

Boston Pride is a 5-1c(3) non-profit organization that produces events and activities to achieve inclusivity, equality, respect, and awareness in Greater Boston and beyond. Fostering diversity, unity, visibility, and dignity; the organization educates, communicates, and advocates by building and strengthening community connections.