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IN THE LIFE MEDIA (ITLM) APPLAUDS SENATOR BARACK OBAMA'S TRIUMPH IN HIS HISTORIC BID FOR THE PRESIDENCY

In The Life Media, Inc. Executive Director Michelle Kristel released the following statement:

"Last night, the joyful promise of change was realized. With Barack Obama's historic election, the LGBT community moves one step closer to realizing the self-evident truth set forth by our founding fathers that all people are equal."

"President-elect Obama's statements of support for civil unions, adoption rights for gay and lesbian parents, and an inclusive Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA), as well as his stated intention to repeal "Don't Ask, Don't Tell and the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) makes the hope of full equality for all Americans a more real possibility."

"While the LGBT community has had many victories over the last 8 years, we have also suffered stinging electoral defeats with the passage of so-called 'marriage protection' amendments in 26 states.' The last 8 years have also seen an unprecedented politicization of public television by the Bush Administration. An era that is, no doubt, at an end."

"In support of President-elect Obama's efforts, and in recognition of the important role that media plays in advancing social justice, In The Life Media affirms its commitment to produce media that produces change for the LGBT communities."

About In The Life Media

In The Life Media provides information about the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender communities, documents the ongoing LGBT civil rights movement, and produces diverse images of the LGBT community to create better understanding and acceptance.

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Produced by In The Life Media, IN THE LIFE is the longest running television show documenting the gay experience. IN THE LIFE is a three-time Emmy Award nominee, a Lambda Legal Liberty Award honoree, and the recipient of the Courage Award from the New York City Gay and Lesbian Anti-Violence Project. In 2004, GLAAD honored our organization with the prestigious Barbara Gittings Award "for contributions to LGBT media." In 2006, it won the Seigenthaler Award from the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association for "excellence in network television."

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