Homosexuality Is Compatible with Military Service

Column By Bruce Duncan

I am a man. I am a homosexual. I am comfortable with my sexuality and I am confident in my abilities as a positively contributing member of the world society. There are the reasons I would proudly serve in the same military as any heterosexual who is committed to the high standards of that military. Personally, I feel that any person comfortable with her or himself as a person, mature enough to act professionally, and capable of acting in a combat situation, would welcome a similar comrades-in-arms regardless of his or her sexual orientation. True, the majority of homosexuals in the United States would not be able to meet the strong morals and the intense motivational levels necessary for military service, but the percentage of heterosexuals who fail these requirements would likely be the same.

The majority of Congress-creatures now in office have stated that homosexuality is incompatible with service in the United States military in its current state, and I feel that any person comfortable with his or herself as a person, mature enough to defend their country and almost as importantly, they will not appeal to the world as if they are able to defend their country. What is the answer? If you are unable to attend, please send your resume to College Relations, Taligent, Inc., 10725 N. De Anza Blvd., Cupertino, CA 95014-2000. We are proud to offer equal opportunity and a culturally diverse workplace to everyone.

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