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## LESBIAN VISIBILITY DAY STATEMENT

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Today, April 26<sup>th</sup>, we join the global celebration of **Lesbian Visibility Day**.

At FARUG, a proudly LBQ women-led feminist organization in Uganda, we are committed to amplifying the voices, visibility, and collective power of LBQ women. We envision a world where being an LBQ woman is recognized, accepted, and celebrated as normal. However, this year's celebration comes during a time of increasing repression.

In the U.S., Executive Order 14168 attempts to erase queer existence by enforcing a narrow, binary definition of gender, stripping away the rights of trans individuals and reinforcing harmful stereotypes that also affect lesbians, particularly those who are gender nonconforming or gender-expansive.

Here in Uganda, the Anti-Homosexuality Act puts LGBTQ+ lives at risk. It criminalizes love, polices identity, and fosters an environment of fear and violence. Lesbians face multiple threats from criminalization to discrimination and systemic erasure, just for living their truths.

Lesbian Visibility Day is more than a celebration; it is a powerful reminder of our resilience. It honors our stories, uplifts our contributions, and challenges the forces that seek to silence us.

This year's theme, ***"The Power of Sisterhood," speaks to our collective strength.*** At FARUG, we believe that sisterhood includes all women cis, Trans, and non-binary and that solidarity is our strongest weapon against oppression.

We call on our community, our allies, and institutions everywhere to stand with us and demand:

- ✚ **Legal recognition for all lesbians**, inclusive of gender identity and expression
- ✚ **Access to healthcare**, including reproductive and gender-affirming care, free from discrimination
- ✚ **Safe spaces** to live, love, and thrive without fear
- ✚ **Visibility and representation** in every sphere of life

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- ✚ **Protection from violence**, both in public and private spaces
- ✚ **Mental health support**, especially for our most marginalized members.

**We will not be erased. We will not be silenced.**

Today and every day, we honor our history, celebrate our resilience, and recommit to the fight for equality, dignity, and justice.

**Together, in sisterhood, we are unstoppable.**

***#LesbianVisibilityDay #PowerOfSisterhood #FARUG #LBQVoices #UgandaLGBTQ  
#QueerSolidarity #FeministResistance***

***Happy Lesbian Visibility Day!***



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