



HIGH TECH GAYS

P.O.Box 6777 San Jose, California 95150

January 4, 1987

Congressman Don Edwards
10th District, California
1042 West Hedding Street, Suite 100
San Jose, CA 95126

Dear Congressman Edwards:

Thank you for taking the time to read the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force report on gay violence; I understand that you were unable to make the oft rescheduled Subcommittee Hearing where Kevin Berrill and others testified to the alarming extent of "gay-bashing" that is occurring these days.

As you may know, High Tech Gays is now one of the largest gay and lesbian organizations in the Bay area, most of our members being professionals in the high tech industries of the South Bay. We meet monthly at the new Billy DeFrank Gay and Lesbian Community Center in San Jose and would like to invite you to speak to our group at one of our upcoming meetings.

The Federal government can be a force for freedom or repression of the gay community and we would like the opportunity to interact, as constituents, with you by hearing your views on current legislative activity and allowing us an opportunity to present questions to you from the floor. We meet on the second Sunday evening of each month (e.g., Feb 8, Mar 8, Apr 12, etc.) and if any of these dates would be convenient for you we would be most pleased for your attendance. We typically have 150 members at such meetings.

Please call me at home (408) 255-6128 or work (408) 988-3466 to agree on a date, if this is possible.

I hope to hear from you soon.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Rudy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the name.

Rick Rudy
President