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Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee
C/o Stamp Development
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Dear Members of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee:

I respectfully request that a commemorative postage stamp be issued soon honoring Harvey Milk and his work in the LGBT movement for civil rights and equality. As the first openly gay man to be elected to public office in California, as a member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, Milk helped open the door for gays and lesbians in the United States by championing civil rights for homosexuals. Since Milk's murder in 1978, he has remained a symbol of activism for the LGBT community.

Milk was recently posthumously awarded America's highest civilian honor, the 2009 Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Obama, and the Governor of the State of California, Arnold Schwarzenegger, recently inducted Milk into the California Hall of Fame.

Harvey Milk is revered nationally and globally as a pioneer of the LGBT civil rights movement for his exceptional leadership and dedication to equal rights. I request that the Committee strongly consider the issuance of a postage stamp in his honor.

Sincerely,

BOB FILNER
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