



NCBG
National Coalition
of Black Gays

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Dear Friends:

This letter is to formally invite the Bay Area Black Lesbians and Gays to apply for membership as a chapter of the National Coalition of Black Gays.

As you may have heard, the Board of NCBG voted in September to invite former chapters to become re-activated as NCBG chapters. Of the seven original founding chapters only four actually exist today. They are located in Baltimore, DC, Minneapolis and Philadelphia. At this time, NCBG is also inviting you, the Bay Area Black Lesbians and Gays, to join NCBG as a chapter.

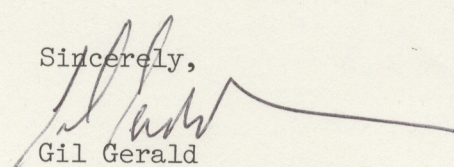
Enclosed please find a standard application form and a copy of the by-laws. Please review the appropriate sections of the by-laws dealing with membership, dues, contributions, Board Representatives and Delegates to the General Conference of NCBG.

We would be very pleased to have BAYBLAG on a chapter roster. In 1980, at the founding convention we were dealing with struggling local organizations that endorsed the concept of a national organization, but could hardly afford to support one. A few concepts have changed since then. First we are stressing support for local organizations and community needs, not the other way around. Second, the national has been developing its own resources, so as not to burden local organizations.

The membership fee for chapters remains at \$200.00 per year, which is what it was in 1980. These fees, partially (very partially) help defray the cost of maintaining a productive national office.

The Board of NCBG is scheduled to meet in February, here in DC. At that time they will review and act on any applications for membership or re-instatement. I believe this would be a good time for BAYBLAG to submit an application. If there are any questions regarding the whole process, I will be glad to be of assistance.

Sincerely,


Gil Gerald
Executive Director

APPLICATION FOR CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP
IN THE NATIONAL COALITION OF BLACK GAYS

Organization's name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone contact's name and Tel.# _____

ENDORSEMENT AND SUPPORT

(1) Our general membership has adopted a resolution of endorsement of and support for the purposes of NCBG as set forth in Article II of NCBG's bylaws. Yes ___ No ___. If yes, date resolution was adopted: ___/___/___

(2) Our general membership is committed to paying NCBG chapter dues and contributing financially at levels established by the General Convention of NCBG. Yes ___ No ___.

(3) Our membership is committed to sponsoring at least one fundraising event annually for NCBG, and to contributing the entire net profits of this fundraiser to NCBG. Yes ___ No ___.

MEMBERSHIP

(4) The total number of our current dues paying membership is ___.

(5) Blacks compose 60% or more of our dues paying membership. Yes ___ No ___

(6) Our general membership is open to and has taken affirmative action to include all gender or sexual/affectional minorities including transpersons. Yes ___ No ___.

(7) Our general dues paying membership is composed of at least 30% females. Yes ___ No ___

(8) Our general dues paying membership is composed of at least 30% males. Yes ___ No ___.

If the answer to either 7 or 8 is no, attach an affirmative action plan which contains goals for achieving these minimum standards within the next twelve months.

ORGANIZATION AND STRUCTURE

(9) Our organization's officers are democratically elected. Yes ___ No ___

(10) Our membership has adopted a set of bylaws. Yes ___ No ___ (if yes, please attach a copy).

(11) Our organization is incorporated in the State of _____. The date of our incorporation is: __/__/__. (please attach a copy of incorporation documents)

If the organization is not incorporated please attach a brief statement containing the timetable for incorporation and or explanation for the non-incorporated status.

(12) Our organization is non-partisan. Yes ___ No ___.

We, the undersigned officers of _____, certify that the above statements are true and that we have examined the bylaws of the National Coalition of Black Gays.

(1) _____ Date: __/__/__ Position: _____
(sign)

(1) Print name: _____

(2) _____ Date: __/__/__ Position: _____
(sign)

(2) Print name: _____

(3) _____ Date: __/__/__ Position: **Secretary/Recorder**
(sign)

(3) Print name: _____

Subscribed and sworn to (affirmed) before me this _____ day of _____, A.D. 19_____.

(seal)

Notary Public

My commission expires ____/____.

A PROGRAM PLAN TO CONDUCT
AIDS AND SEXUALITY EDUCATION
TO BLACK HOMOSEXUALS AND LESBIANS

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