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Petition to Stop Men From Competing Against Women in Tokyo Olympics Gathers Steam

Almost 30,000 people have signed a petition to block men from competing against women at the Tokyo Olympics.

The petition at change.org says men must not be allowed to replace women on sports teams, and that the International Olympic Committee's rules for men who pretend to be women are unfair because men have an "incontrovertible physical advantage" over women.

The petition began two years ago, but is quickly gathering signatures because "Laurel" Hubbard, a "transwoman," will represent New Zealand in Tokyo. Hubbard outlifted an accomplished woman to make the team.



Laurel Hubbard (AP Images)

"Indefensible"

The latest tranny trouble began when Hubbard, a 43-year-old, a 288-pound bruiser, knocked Kuinini Manumua, 21, <u>off the team</u>.

Understandably, the sane members of the weightlifting and athletic communities exploded in rage.

Opponents of men joining women's athletic competitions noted the obvious. No 40-year-old woman has participated in Olympic weightlifting in recent memory. The average age of a woman weightlifter is 24, which means Manumua might never see an Olympic competition.

"This is unfair to women due to the incontrovertible physical advantage that transwomen have," <u>the</u> <u>petition says</u>. It will also prevent some women from taking part in organised sport at all due to religious and cultural reasons."

The petition notes what others have: The IOC's rule focuses on "a particular level of testosterone for 12 months in order to compete as a 'self-identifying' woman."

The problem, though, is that lowering testosterone level does not alter the advantage man has over women:

This completely ignores the physical advantages in speed, height, stamina and strength that a male-born athlete will have.

Sports organisations around the world cite the IOC policy as "international best practice"

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and as a result women's sport is in danger of being effectively erased. This policy should be suspended immediately. Women and girls are being sacrificed by the IOC as an easy fix for transgender demands for inclusion. Women were not consulted and did not consent to this policy which will make a complete mockery of their sport.

Some transwomen have already qualified to represent their country at the Tokyo Olympics. This is indefensible.

Another aspect of permitting men to compete against women is even more indefensible. The men get to share showers with them, an open invitation for rape and other abuses.

"When I started this petition over two years ago I did not really believe the International Olympic Committee would allow male-born athletes to compete against women," the <u>petition organizer wrote</u>:

But they have. In the last two years quite a few women's world records have been broken, all by middle-aged men with no out-standing sporting ability within their sex-class. Now they can and will take the place of women on the Olympic podium, take that gold medal home, set new records that no woman will ever be able to break. It effectively marks the end of women's competitive sport.

Horribly Unfair

Multiple Twitter threads explain why IOC's rules on testosterone levels won't protect women from predatory "transwomen" who are too weak or slow to compete against men.

Emma Hilton, a developmental biologist, <u>explained that</u> "two academic reviews of musculoskeletal changes in transwomen suppressing testosterone ... conclude that loss of muscle mass and strength is small, and that strength advantage over females is retained."

<u>One study determined</u> that "that strength, lean body mass, muscle size and bone density are only trivially affected," while <u>the other concluded</u> that "strength may be well preserved in transwomen during the first 3 years of hormone therapy."

A long Twitter thread from women444 explained just what is wrong with "Laurel" Hubbard's participation:

He's competing with people a fraction of his size & weight as the divisions were designed for fair competition between *WOMEN* not men. Here, the strength, muscle mass, bone structure & density, ratio of limb to torso, testosterone & overall size are the obvious factors that make a man an inappropriate competitor for a woman. ...

The women competing there aren't there because of their "gender identity"

They are competing in the female division because of their female bodies. They aren't competing in womens sports because they "feel" like women but because they inhabit womens bodies and lived reality.



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Hubbard isn't the only man who will compete against women in Tokyo. Another "transwoman" <u>is cyclist</u> <u>"Chelsea" Wolfe</u>. He too apparently hopes to put women Olympians in their place and show them that a man identifying as a woman can do anything a genuine woman can do, only better.

And in the minds of Hubbard and Wolfe, that apparently includes being a woman.

Hat tip: <u>Breitbart</u>



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