Thank you for your message, which Barry Andrews MEP welcomes on this important issue.

A delegation of MEPs from the Fianna Fáil European grouping in the Parliament, Renew Europe, marched in the Budapest Pride in support of the Hungarians protecting their rights and freedoms.

We all should be deeply concerned about recent events in Hungary. Every week, the right of assembly is further undermined, freedom of speech is hollowed out, civil society is increasingly under pressure and the very fundamentals of democracy are now under threat. The banning of the Budapest Pride, together with the official approval for counterdemonstrations by the extreme right, is just the latest example.

Fianna Fáil were represented in Budapest by Cynthia Ní Mhurchú MEP.

Mr. Andrews MEP would like to thank you for your motion, which he fully supports.

Best wishes from Brussels.



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