Nevadans react to gay marriage ruling in Golden State

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While supporters of same-sex marriage celebrated in the streets of San Francisco Wednesday, Northern Nevada activists mulled what the rejection of a same-sex marriage ban in California will mean for Nevada.

Judge Vaughn Walker of U.S. District Court in San Francisco on Wednesday overturned Proposition 8, a statewide referendum that banned gay marriage in California in 2008.

Kevin Ray, spokesman and organizer of Reno Gay Pride, called the ruling "certainly another step forward for equal rights for all citizens."

"Many people certainly from Reno and Northern Nevada will go to San Francisco to get married," he said.

Opponents criticized the ruling.

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