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## Rental discrimination proposal fails to receive voter approval in Austin

United Press International Austin — The Austin resident who led the successful campaign against a proposed city housing code change that would have

allowed property owners to re-fuse to rent or to sell to homosexuals said he knew after the first hour of voting Saturday the proposal would be defeated. This was one of many election issues decided Saturday.

'By 8:30 we saw our (polling) boxes coming in higher than we had expected, so it became obvious it was going to be close to 2-to-1 against," Robert Southerland, of Citizens for a United

He attributed the Citizens for orientation.'

Decency loss to its negative campaign and its having overestimated its popular support.
"I think they ran a much

more negative, shrill campaign than we did because they found themselves in the position of supporting discrimination," Southerland said. "You can't run a negative campaign in Au-

stin, Texas, and win."

Voters in the capital braved temperatures in the low 20s Saturday to reject, 36,239 to 20,997, a proposal stating, "It shall not be unlawful to discri-

minate on the basis of sexual

The leader of Citizens for Decency, the group that sponsored the referendum, said he was not disappointed Austin voters soundly defeated the amendment — which reportedly would have made the Austin code the first in the country to provide such an allowance.

"In no way was it a mandate for the city council to give public approval to homosexuals," said Dr. Steven Hotze, father of six and spokesman for Austin Citizens for Decency. "The vote was on discrimination."

passage of the amendment "it shall be unlawful would have opened the door to housing on the basis passage of the amendment discrimination against other orientation" to the minority groups and cam-paigned heavily in black and Mexican-American neighbor-

"Tm just real, real proud of the city of Austin," Southerland said. "The people here have made it clear that this is an openminded, fair city. People realized the abuses the ordinance could have caused, and they also realized it was a human rights issue and not a gay issue.'

The controversy began in held under terms of all Opponents of the measure August when the City Council clearing the way for lead argued successfully that attempted to add the statement ing of the games.

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#### DIETING? North Texas banks facing new 'Bonnie and Clyde' Even though we do not prescribe diets, we make it possible for many to

enjoy a nutritious meal while they United Press International FORT WORTH — A heavilyarmed, middle-aged Bonnie and Clyde duo has caused fear in seven banks dotting the prairies north of Fort Worth, causing one bank to lose employees as well as money. follow their doctor's orders. You will be delighted with the wide selection of low calorie, sugar free and fat free foods in the Souper Salad Area, Sbisa ployees as well as money.

At the First National Bank of Rhome, northwest of Fort Worth, two bank officers and a teller have quit after the bank that allows employees to screen was robbed twice in four years. The couple most recently hit the

Rhome bank in June 1981.

"One girl quit," Bank President Jim Boothe said. "She couldn't stand the thought of another robbery. She said she

was going to stay home. She lated towns near majo

additional security precautions units of the Department for their employees. Boothe installed bars across all the windows, drapes to inhibit the cus- ski masks and wear cowb tomers' view, one-way glass and and Clow said their pro an electronic buzzing system in each robbery is similar that allows employees to screen The man, estimated to

"These are professional bank high-powered, semi-au robbers," said George Clow, su-rifle. The woman, about pervisor for the Fort Worth FBI ries a 12-gauge shotgun office. "They are well prepared sometimes have revolver and carefully rehearsed ed in their belts. They've thought everything out.

Their firepower is awesome." The other banks robbed since and steal a car with the

wanted to enjoy life." ways within 100 miles of the Rhome bank lost at least las-Fort Worth area. N \$200,000 in the two robberies, served by a police force prompting bank officials to take are patrolled mostly by

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Two weeks before each bery, they go to a used-1970 are similar to the Rhome the ignition. They steal is bank, Clow said. Justin, Milford, plates for the car and is Chico, Tom Bean, Collinsville abandon it less than 10 and Prosper are all small, iso-from the bank.

## High court ducks 1979 Texas law

WASHINGTON — The Sup- cluded it would be inapped as in appendix to the supreme Court today refused to ate to rule on the merits tackle a controversy over a Texas law that attempts to ban a wide range of sexually oriented films, books, magazines and de-

vices as being patently offensive. The justices let stand a decision that found that federal ism, masochism, lewd exh judges must allow state courts a of the male or female gen first look at a new obscenity law a state of sexual stimula before U.S. courts can consider arousal, covered male gen

The high court rejected an vice designed and market useful primarily for stime appeal by owners of several useful primarily for stime officers. adult theaters in Houston who of the human genital organization. and violates First Amendment

free speech rights.

Late in 1979 the Texas legislature rewrote the state criminal code provisions defining and regulating obscene materials and performances. Shortly before the statute was to go into effect, owners of some adult

Two federal district judges it lacks serious literary, dismissed the suits and the 5th political or scientific value. U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans upheld most of Holmes told the court t those decisions, although it ack- has launched 500 prosec nowledged the Texas statute as a result of the new law "presents a troublesome question of constitutional law."

case before a state court opportunity for narrow

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The statute, drawn Supreme Court guidelines out a three-part test for mining an obscene item: -Whether "taken as av

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