

HELLO, IS IT ME YOU'RE LOOKING FOR?

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HI, MY NAME IS KIMYA DAWSON.

ASK ME ANYTHING

Well, a thing happened where I was targeted online by someone who is anti-trans and instead of fighting and confronting them I explained that there had been a misunderstanding and because of that some folks in the Olympia trans community are questioning me as an ally. I don't live in Olympia. I didn't understand the full extent of what was going down there. I had never heard of that person before a few days ago. I was having a really intense emotional parenting day today, while battling severe anxiety and PTSD because of the actions of the fascist government that stir up all kinds of shit because of brutally violent hate crimes and threats in my past, and this surreal situation arose and I told the truth, there had been a misunderstanding that led this person to believe I was threatening them. I wasn't feeling resilient enough to stand up to someone I didn't know online that I had heard was victimizing people who stood up to them. Yes, I was scared and trying to protect myself because I have been stalked and attacked in the past. I hate that folks in the trans community who are being targeted can't "misunderstanding" away this situation. In the moment I felt: This person thinks I threatened them when I hadn't. I don't know how to deal with it. I just want to tell them that it was a mistake, which it was, because it seems like confrontation would cause things to escalate in a way that will be worse for me and everyone else.

I made a judgement call and some people feel it was the wrong call. Maybe it came across as if I was abandoning the trans community and hiding in my non-trans privilege but in my mind I was trying to not make shit worse. It seemed obvious that they were feeding off of all the negative attention. I didn't want to fuel that fire. I have been a very vocal ally, advocate, and friend to the trans community for many years. I love and support trans folks in ways that are very public and in ways that aren't and in ways that are super personal. I would never intentionally try to hurt anyone or EVER EVER EVER be suckered by or side with someone transphobic. I like to believe that people who really know me know this. I'm sorry to anyone who questioned me and was made to feel bad by this bullshit as it unfolded. Fuck TERFs. I deeply love and support trans folks and, even if you felt I didn't do right by you today, in my trauma and awkwardness, I will have your backs to the best of my messed up ability ALWAYS.

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