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I find that the books and narratives targeted by censorship are almost always the ones that most need to be shared. As a queer-identified person, I am tired of seeing books be banned solely for their support and/or depiction of LGBTQ+ identity/ies. Additionally, as a white person living in a majority white state, I know that BIPOC stories and narratives need to be uplifted in schools to enhance empathy and understanding of experiences other than our own, not banned for the "uncomfortable" feelings they may invoke.