



RESOLUTION

Affirming the Right to Life

- WHEREAS** Human life bears the image of God and, therefore, has intrinsic value and dignity (Genesis 1:27; 1 Corinthians 11:7a). Moreover, human life begins at conception – as Scripture tells us, “You knit me together in my mother’s womb,” – and every person is “fearfully and wonderfully made” by Him (Psalm 139:13-16);
- WHEREAS** Nearly one million pregnancies are terminated every year in the United States, with a disproportionate impact on Black and Latino unborn lives;
- WHEREAS** A pending Supreme Court decision in the case of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization* could overturn *Roe v. Wade*, which would mark a historic turning point in the fight for unborn life;
- THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED** that NRB affirms the right to life of the unborn; NRB denounces the moral crime of demanding and celebrating abortion within American society; and NRB calls on states, pending the ruling of the Supreme Court in *Dobbs v. Jackson*, to pursue laws and reforms that uphold the sanctity of life, reduce abortions, and treat all human life with dignity.

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RESOLUTION

On Combatting Antisemitism

- WHEREAS** Our Jewish brothers and sisters face an escalating threat from contemporary forms of antisemitism, many of which are associated with attacks against Zionism—the movement to return the Jewish people to their ancestral God-given homeland and the right to self-determination and sovereignty in the State of Israel.
- WHEREAS** We reject this new form of Jew-hatred on historical, moral, and religious grounds. An attack on the Jewish people and their historic attachment to the Land of Israel is an assault on the Bible and the deep roots of our faith;
- WHEREAS** The Jewish right to return to their land and exercise self-determination should be supported by all peace-loving, God-fearing people;
- WHEREAS** Those in Christian media have a unique platform to educate their audiences about modern forms of antisemitism according to accurate and contemporary standards such as the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) Definition of Antisemitism;
- WHEREAS** Contemporary examples of what constitutes antisemitism include: Denying the Jewish people their right to self-determination, claiming the existence of a State of Israel is a racist endeavor, and using the symbols and images associated with classic antisemitism to characterize Israel or Israelis;
- THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED** that NRB renews its commitment to fight antisemitism in all its forms and encourage our members and colleagues to do the same.

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RESOLUTION

On Maintaining Full Protections for Religious Nonprofits

- WHEREAS** NRB has since 1944 represented the interests of Christian broadcasters, ministries, Christian schools, and faith-based humanitarian and charitable organizations throughout the nation;
- WHEREAS** Processes such as agency rulemaking and federal grant authorization have been utilized to roll back or rescind religious protections and exemptions for religious nonprofits or modify statutory language outlining those protections;
- WHEREAS** Religious nonprofits rely on essential protections under the law to fulfill their charitable purposes and faith-based missions, and should be free to make employment and other business decisions based on sincere religious beliefs and tenets;
- WHEREAS** NRB's membership includes well-respected charitable organizations, the likes of whom offer valuable and specialized services that should not be excluded from federal grant programs or contracting due to adherence to religious beliefs;
- WHEREAS** Christian broadcasters, evangelistic ministries, and charitable groups have from time to time been targeted for unfair or inconsistent Internal Revenue Service (IRS) scrutiny due to political bias or religious viewpoint discrimination, risking potential loss of tax-exempt status;
- WHEREAS** NRB requires its members to meet high standards of ethics and financial integrity and has consistently advocated against inconsistent and unfair scrutiny of Christian nonprofits;
- THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED** that NRB calls upon this administration and members of Congress to protect, preserve and defend the religious liberty rights of Americans guaranteed by our Constitution and Bill of Rights by opposing the weaponization of federal agency rulemaking, grants, and agency powers to harass or penalize religious nonprofits.

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Opposing Critical Theory and Anti-Christian Ideology

WHEREAS	Critical theory, or social theory aimed at critiquing, undermining, and dismantling power structures in service of the “greater good,” currently prevails in mass media, academia, activism, and the culture at large;
WHEREAS	Critical theory places culpability for human suffering at the feet of anyone who thrives within, benefits from, or upholds an authority structure subjectively deemed corrupt by the secular culture, including God-given institutions such as the church, traditional family, and much more;
WHEREAS	Secular paradigms for social order that omit, distort, or outright reject God, His law, and His plan for humanity have prevailed culturally for time immemorial, at times making inroads with the Christian church and leading to grave injustice and harm;
WHEREAS	The Church once again faces pressure to accept and promote a paradigm that excludes and contradicts Biblical truth and principles, including false teachings about sin, salvation, and redemption—key tenets of the Christian faith;
WHEREAS	These new orthodoxies require revising the facts of history, rewriting our culture, justifying tyrannical use of power, rejecting freedom of speech, inciting hatred for fellow citizens, and destroying individuals who stray;
WHEREAS	Critical theory advances the erosion of shared history and values, the yielding of human agency to tyranny, the supremacy of mob rule, and the deterioration of family and community bonds, producing great human suffering and alienation from truth;
WHEREAS	As Christians, we embrace our citizenship in God’s kingdom and reject false promises of secular utopia;
WHEREAS	As Americans, we inherit founding principles (equality of mankind, God-given rights, and self-government) that point to worthy and Biblical ideals for an orderly society, and we endeavor to advance these cherished promises for all;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED	that NRB urges Christian leaders to reject anti-Christian cultural systems that hold out salvation apart from Christ, oppose the influence of critical theory in education, academia, Christian ministry, and Bible teaching, and faithfully apply historic truths of Scripture to contemporary cultural issues.

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RESOLUTION

Opposing Deplatforming Based on Religious Viewpoint Discrimination

- WHEREAS** NRB’s founding in 1944 was catalyzed by corporate censorship against evangelical Christian communicators. Since its founding, NRB has devoted itself to protecting First Amendment guarantees of religious liberty, free speech, and freedom of the press;
- WHEREAS** Monitoring and opposing threats to religious free speech is a key element of NRB’s mandate. NRB opposes practices and corporate policies that effectively deprive individuals of platforms to speak, gather, and do business because of their religious beliefs or the incompatibility of their beliefs with prevailing cultural trends;
- WHEREAS** In response to cultural and political events, corporations have designated a broad range of speech and online activity as “hateful” and “harmful” and have penalized users on that highly subjective basis;
- WHEREAS** Numerous Christian organizations and individuals, including some NRB members, have been deprived of opportunities to distribute media, fundraise, process payments, host events, or otherwise do business on disingenuous and far-fetched grounds, including alleged “links” to controversial cultural events or so-called “harmful” ideas.
- WHEREAS** In some cases, Christian communicators have lost such platforms and services simply for teaching Scriptural truth or conducting operations in accordance with Biblical principles;
- THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED** that NRB reaffirms its commitment to oppose corporate deplatforming of Christian communicators, stand impartially for freedom and access for Christian communicators in an increasingly anti-Christian culture, and provide analysis of threats to religious free speech wherever they emerge.

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RESOLUTION

Opposing Federal Regulatory Overreach of Internet Regulations

- WHEREAS** As legal and legislative efforts for and against net neutrality continue in Washington, D.C., NRB has remained a strong voice for Christian content to be accessible on the internet—unfettered by any government or corporate religious discrimination;
- WHEREAS** NRB opposes net neutrality, which constitutes a drastic and excessive expansion of federal regulatory reach while failing to address real threats of viewpoint discrimination among tech giants like Facebook, Google, Amazon, and Apple;
- WHEREAS** For more than a decade, NRB has maintained the position that “open internet” protocols are not the correct avenue for protecting religious expression. These principles authorize a broad, expansive role for the federal government in overseeing the activities of internet service providers (ISPs), while edge providers like Facebook, Twitter, Google, Apple, and Amazon—who actively engage in viewpoint censorship—are subject to no such regulatory action;
- WHEREAS** The current presidential administration has explicitly committed to reinstating net neutrality regulations and has issued an executive order urging the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to act to that end, action which will become more likely pending the confirmation of a tie-breaking FCC commissioner;
- THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED** that NRB reaffirms its historic opposition to expansive government oversight of internet service providers, especially while the enforcement actions of edge providers make a notable and escalating impact on free speech and Christian communications.

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RESOLUTION

Urging Strong Protections for Donor Privacy in Charitable Giving

- WHEREAS** National Religious Broadcasters is a non-partisan, international association of Christian communicators whose member organizations reach millions of listeners, viewers, and readers;
- WHEREAS** Since its founding, NRB has devoted itself to protecting First Amendment guarantees of religious liberty, free speech, and freedom of the press, particularly as they undergird the mission of Christian communicators to proclaim the Gospel freely and fully on electronic media, including broadcast, cable, satellite, and Internet platforms;
- WHEREAS** The U.S. Senate in January 2022 rejected S. 2747, the latest bid to amend the Federal Elections Campaign Act of 1971. This legislation contained proposals that would have effectively withdrawn the authority of states to conduct elections as they see fit, with serious impacts on donor and associational privacy and compliance costs for media and advocacy organizations;
- WHEREAS** NRB has long opposed amendments to the Federal Elections Campaign Act of 1971 to establish new public reporting requirements for those organizations spending \$10,000 or more during an election cycle, including the release of the names and addresses of donors giving \$10,000 or more to such groups;
- WHEREAS** Donor privacy is an essential principle for nonprofits. Many organizations rely on donations in order to continue supporting family values, and there is concern that public disclosure of members and donors of organizations that support "controversial" viewpoints or candidates might subject them to threats, harassment, and reprisals;
- WHEREAS** If top donors fear reprisal from public disclosure of charitable giving, this will have a chilling effect on the donations to nonprofits that enable Christian organizations to distribute messages on issues of importance that serve the public.
- WHEREAS** NRB recognizes the importance of ensuring access to the ballot box while maintaining the integrity of elections, and opposes election reform legislation that penalizes charitable giving rather than addressing real threats to free and fair elections;
- THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED** that NRB commends the Senate for rejecting S. 2747 and opposes any similar proposals.

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RESOLUTION

Urging that Congress Oppose Passage of the Equality Act

- WHEREAS** The so-called Equality Act (H.R.5 and S. 393), as currently written, contains substantial provisions that are opposed by the Christian media groups and ministries represented by the NRB. If the law is passed as written, it will most assuredly be used as a cudgel against churches, religious schools and colleges, and other religious organizations;
- WHEREAS** S. 393, like its companion bill H.R.5, passed in the House, seeks to amend the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by adding a new protected category of “sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity)” to four different “titles” of the Act;
- WHEREAS** With these changes, laws whose very purpose was to end forms of discrimination such as race, color, and national origin would now include the category of “sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity),” placing these elements on equal footing with the immutable characteristic of race;
- WHEREAS** By placing sexual orientation and gender identity on the same footing as race and national origin, the law seeks to preclude challenges on a religious freedom basis;
- WHEREAS** The Equality Act constitutes a serious threat to the ability to conduct business and maintain policies and procedures consistent with biblical views on human sexuality and sanctity of life in church ministry, healthcare, education, family services, and more;
- THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED** that NRB calls upon the members of the United States Senate to protect, preserve, and defend the religious liberty rights of Americans guaranteed by our Constitution and Bill of Rights by opposing and defeating the so-called Equality Act.

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RESOLUTION

Urging that Congress Pass the Local Radio Freedom Act

- WHEREAS** NRB joins the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB), Salem Media, and other groups in supporting the Local Radio Freedom Act;
- WHEREAS** Some 23 Senators and 211 members of the House of Representatives have supported the Local Radio Freedom Act (S. Con. Res. 9 and H.Con.Res 33) in the 117th Congress of the United States;
- WHEREAS** The Local Radio Freedom Act would protect local radio stations that play music as part of their programming from having to pay new “performance” royalties that would cripple, and in some cases decimate, the ability of such radio stations to continue operations;
- WHEREAS** Among NRB’s valued members are numerous radio stations and networks that include music, including contemporary Christian, Gospel, and sacred music, in their programming day, and those stations may well face unwarranted and financially damaging royalty fees absent passage of the Local Radio Freedom Act;
- THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED** that NRB urges Congress to pass the Local Radio Freedom Act.

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