



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.

Approved by the Board of Directors March 8, 2022