

Ten Commandments Georgia

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House Bill 941 Passes 140 - 26

"I don't know how you oppose displaying documents of such historical significance....they literally are the backbone of this country." - Glenn Richardson, House Speaker of the Georgia House of Representatives.

This was the Speaker's response to House Bill 941 that would allow local governments to display copies of the Ten Commandments along with other historical documents such as the Mayflower Compact and the Declaration of Independence. This bill has passed (February 1, 2006) with overwhelming support from both parties in our state.

In light of recent court battles regarding the public display of the Ten Commandments, this appears to be the best alternative at this time. I have stated on other occasions that we at Ten Commandments Georgia support the display of any documents in government buildings that accurately and truthfully reflect our country's founding. We especially support those which show the historical fact that we started out as a country that openly and unapologetically acknowledged God. We also believe that this acknowledgement in no way substantiates an establishment or endorsement of a religious system of laws or codes that force people to be something they do not want to be. Historically, however, there was a Judeo-Christian basis in the founding and sustaining of our country.

We believe that publicly acknowledging these historical facts will enable this country to regain its moral standard to progress and advance again as a people who know true life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness as was intended by our forefathers.

It is our hope that the Senate version of H.B. 941 will pass and be signed into law. We want future generations to be reminded of their heritage and to continue to return to that which made our country great.

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