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STATEMENT OF RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE

(ATLANTA, GA – September 7, 2010) - Because many of the most divisive and inflammatory issues of our time are tied to religious identities and communities, the **Board of Directors of Atlanta Interfaith Broadcasters** calls for people of faith to unite in affirming our heritage of religious freedom for all Americans.

Extremists who incite hate and violence in the name of religion threaten the freedom of religion, the ideals of democracy, global stability, and the safety of American service men and women around the world. Voices of reason, moderation, and goodwill in all communities can exercise tremendous positive influence that can diminish tensions, prevent further recriminations, and insure peace and safety for all. The world is too small for any religious community to tolerate violence against any other community.

The Board of AIB, therefore, calls for greater respect and understanding of all religious traditions and solidarity in support of the free exercise of religion for all Americans so that, as the freedom of each is assured, religious freedom for all can be maintained.

Through its programming, AIB will continue to contribute to the understanding of all religious faiths. Since all media organizations must exercise their ethical responsibility and accurately facilitate the conversation of faith and values in the public square and throughout American communities nationwide.

This statement has been endorsed by Faith and the City and the Regional Council of Churches of Atlanta.

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