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Christian Coalition of Georgia Supports the “Holiday Free Speech Act”

Atlanta, GA – Sadie Fields, Chairman of the Christian Coalition of Georgia issued this statement today regarding the “Holiday Free Speech Act” prefiled yesterday at the State Capitol by State Senator Ronnie Chance and State Representative Clay Cox. This legislation would expressly prohibit government agencies, including school systems from barring their employees and students from saying “Merry Christmas,” “Happy Hanukkak,” or any other expression relating to the celebration of a holiday.

Fields said: “The attack on religion in general and Christianity in particular over the last few years has become increasingly aggressive. Recently, in Northeast Georgia a public school principle barred teachers from using the word “Christmas” in reference to their staff party. Incredible.

Government was *never* intended to serve as the speech police. Government *was* intended to protect the right of all citizens to speak freely regarding their beliefs, whatever they may be. Our Founding Fathers sacrificed their lives, fortunes and sacred honor to ensure that we would live in a land free from a government mandating what we could or could not say regarding our religious beliefs.

We will not allow groups like the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) to silence us with the threat of lawsuits simply because we choose to do what Christians have done for centuries.....celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ at Christmas.” No matter how hard they try. No matter how ruthless their tactics. No matter how tireless their efforts. The people of Georgia will not allow them to take Christ out of Christmas.”

Fields concluded: “We applaud Senator Chance and Representative Cox for introducing this legislation and we will be standing with them as they stand for freedom under the Gold Dome in January.”

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