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THE PRESIDENCY

OBAMA ERASES THE LINE IN THE SAND – In June, I was one of a very few writers on the national scene to mention that President Obama had declared June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered Pride Month. I talked to conservative congressmen and Senators about the proclamation and was surprised that there was no rebuke from any political quarter. In a stroke of the pen a President of the United States erased all moral boundaries, and there was no outrage; indeed, there was virtually no comment. No one in the establishment power structure seems to mind that there is a proclamation by the President telling those who commit sodomy to be proud of it, although God destroyed Sodom for such behavior. Obama claims to have a "Christian tradition," whatever that means, but apparently this "tradition" does not include adherence to the Bible.

There is a saying: "You can't legislate morality." Actually that is a lie. Every law ever written legislates morality, whether that law mandates punishment for theft or gives welfare and medical care to the poor. The question now before us is whether new laws will be written according to the universal moral laws given by God through the Old and New Testaments, or according to the whims of sinners. If laws are determined by the latter, then our laws will change constantly and virtually without notice.

Even before Obama's declaration that those who practice sodomy should be "proud," our legal system was becoming seriously confused. For example, "hate crimes" legislation punishes people who commit various crimes -- not for the crimes themselves -- but for what was in the minds of the perpetrators while they committed the crimes. As another example, some of those who caused the current financial crisis will spend the rest of their lives in jail, while others, who were just as guilty, received bonuses paid for by the taxpayers! And now President Obama has nominated a Supreme Court nominee who has openly stated that she will not honor our Constitution unless it adheres to "international norms." What international "norms?" Perhaps the "norm" would be granting welfare payments to the multiple wives of Muslim men, as is done in the UK. With the last line in the sand erased by the celebration of sodomy, there is no "norm."

Our laws and court decisions from this point on will become more and more irrational as they are based on what Obama's Supreme Court nominee sited as "personal experiences." To quote Judge Sotomayor, "I would hope that a wise Latina woman with the richness of her experiences would more often than not reach a better conclusion [as a judge] than a white male who hasn't lived that life." Life experiences, particularly those of non-whites, in her mind trump all else.

OBAMA, THE ARMY AND GEORGE WASHINGTON - In a general court-martial dated March 14, 1778, General George Washington approved the discharge of a soldier who was "tried for attempting to commit sodomy." The court martial decision read as follows: "[We] do sentence him to be dismiss'd [from] the service with infamy. His Excellency the Commander in Chief approves the sentence and with abhorrence and detestation of such infamous crimes orders Lieut. Enslin to be drummed out of camp tomorrow morning by all the drummers and fifers in the Army never to return."

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The new Commander-in-chief, Barack Obama, with the help of radical Nancy Pelosi, plans to change military rules to allow men to commit acts of sodomy in the bunk beds next to soldiers who are heterosexual and faithful to their wives. Does this sound like it will promote solidarity in the ranks? This permission to allow sodomy on mission will destroy the morale of our troops.

OBAMA THE "GAY CHAMPION" - He actually said it. The president of the United States of America welcomed a group of about one hundred homosexual extremists into the White House on June 30, 2009. During Obama's remarks he said, *"I will not only be your friend, I will continue to be an ally and a champion and a president who fights with you and for you."*

It used to be a rare event for me to write about homosexual issues other than "hate crimes" legislation in either my weekly Internet updates or in the Chairman's Report. In this and the last issue of the Chairman's Report I have reported extensively because of the rather bizarre manner in which Barack Obama has marched the homosexual "rights" issue to center stage. He has appointed homosexuals to powerful key positions in which they will affect our daily lives, and these people see morality from a far different perspective than you or I.

FOUNDER OF GAY CLUBS TO "PROTECT" STUDENTS - President Barack Obama has appointed Kevin Jennings as assistant deputy secretary of education in charge of the Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools. Jennings is the founder of the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (GLSEN). This group pushes "gay-straight alliance" clubs in public schools. The goal of GLESN is to "assure that each member of every school community is valued and respected regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity/expression." In other words homosexual students should be allowed to have sex in the boy's room. This guy will be in charge of the "safe schools" program?

OBAMA'S NATION OF MUSLIMS AND HINDUS - Generally, when a public figure speaks at a Jewish event he doesn't focus on Christians or Muslims. You would think that this would hold true at a Christian event as well, that a public figure would not concentrate his comments on religions other than Christianity. You would think so.

At the Hispanic prayer breakfast in June there were two hours of prayer, music, and testimony centered on the power and saving grace of Jesus Christ. The importance of Christianity to the Latino community was emphasized over and over again at this event in Washington, DC. Then it was President Obama's turn to speak.

Obama opened his address by saying, "We can begin by giving thanks for the legacy that allows us to come together." He then continued, "For it was the genius of America's Founders to protect the freedom of all religions, and those who practice no religion at all." You got it, he could not leave the atheists out of the speech although the Founders had no such intent.

He went on, "So as we join in prayer, we remember that this is a nation of Christians and Muslims and Jews and Hindus and non-believers." Yes ... this was yet another reference to the atheists but this time he added Muslims, Jews and Hindus. He left out the Buddhists; I guess they can fend for themselves. It is a great contradiction that Barack Obama can excuse the human rights violations of Islam while promoting the "rights" of homosexuals.

WASHINGTON POST TIRES TO SELL ACCESS TO THE WHITE HOUSE -

Not much about the Obama White House surprises me anymore, but when a far left newspaper, the Washington Post, offered to sell access to high level White House officials for fees ranging from \$25,000 to \$250,000, I was surprised.

The offer was in a flyer circulated to health care lobbyists the first week of July. One of the lobbyists was so taken aback by the invitation to the home of Katherine Weymouth, the publisher of the Washington Post, that he handed the flyer over to Politico.com. Think about the implications ... a national newspaper asking for money from lobbyists in return for private access to high level members of the Obama Administration.

Outrage over the planned event swept through Washington and embarrassed even the farleft Obama feet kissers who work in the Washington Post newsroom. The newsroom editor announced that no reporters would participate. Within two days Katharine Weymouth was forced to cancel the event at her home. Oddly, her offer to sell access to White House officials did not earn her any rebuke from the White House. The Oval Office is still open to her any time she chooses to visit.

COURTS, CONGRESS AND CULTURE

THOUGHT CRIMES AND THE SENATE - The hearings in the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on June 25th concerning the "Matthew Shepard Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 2009" were a sham. For every witness against the bill there were four in favor of it. Every effort by conservative Senators to remove protection of pedophiles from the bill was blocked by the Democrat controlled committee. Previously, I have written extensively about Pastor Ake Green who was sentenced to jail in Sweden for reading Scriptures that clearly say sodomy is a sin. The same language used in Sweden to silence pastors, is in S-909 here in America. In all, the bill protects 547 different deviant sexual behaviors including necrophilia, which is having sex with a dead person. The moral line in the sand has not been moved by the Obama / Pelosi machine; it has been erased, and deviant behavior is the new normal.

TWO SENATORS SAY LIFE IS SACRED - Sen. Brownback (R-KS) and Sen. Landrieu (D-LA), introduced the Human-Animal Hybrid Prohibition Act (S.1435) in July. The bill would prohibit the creation of human-animal hybrids. "This legislation works to ensure that our society recognizes the dignity and sacredness of human life," said Brownback. "Creating human-animal hybrids, which permanently alter the genetic makeup of an organism, will challenge the very definition of what it means to be human and is a violation of human dignity and a grave injustice." Commercial laboratories claim combining animal and human DNA can help create cures for various illnesses. Social conservatives see a huge moral issue.

"GAY" DUKE PROFESSOR RAPES ADOPTED SON ON-LINE – One of Duke University's openly gay professors, Frank Lombard, forced his adopted five-year-old son to give him oral sex while other homosexuals watched over the Internet. He then offered the boy's sexual services to others, using the Internet as his sales tool. Although this made headlines for a day or two because he is a professor at Duke, the behavior is not that unusual for homosexuals. Lombard's molestation fits the pattern that emerged in the latest review of the scientific literature about homosexual fathers. Despite the obvious, most states permit homosexual "couples" to adopt. There are also fertility clinics in California that arrange for surrogate mothers to give birth to children for homosexual "couples." "Hate Crimes" legislation would make it difficult to be critical of this behavior.

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KIDS SOLD TO BECOME HUMAN BOMBS - In Pakistan there are Muslim families who sell their children to the Taliban to be used as suicide bombers for \$7,000 to \$14,000 each. This is a huge sum of money in a nation where the per-capita income is less than \$3,000 a year. Pakistan's top Taliban leader, Baitullah Mehsud, buys children as young as seven to serve as suicide bombers.

Although this is hard for Christians to understand, keep in mind that the Muslim parents believe that their male children will go to heaven in return for killing others, and once there, will receive sex from 72 perpetual virgins plus all the alcohol and food they can consume. The families view this as a win-win situation: they get a huge sum of money, and their young son gets the hedonistic Muslim heaven for eternity.

CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP IN JORDAN - There is a Christian camp for youth which I have visited in Jordan, one of the few Middle Eastern nations that still has a sizable Christian population. I have learned the hard way not to publish names of Christians or their photos even in a "tolerant" Muslim nation such as Jordan. Unfortunately, in the past some people and places I had mentioned have been attacked.

Every week there is a new group of about 200 kids who come to the camp from various churches. During the course of the summer thousands of young people from kindergarten through high school will attend Vacation Bible School at the camp, including many boys and girls who are Iraqi Christian refugees. The camp has numerous activities for the kids in addition to Bible study.

This summer the water will cost \$5,000 more than last year to purchase and truck into the camp. The Religious Freedom Coalition made the commitment to pay for the additional water needs of the camp, and a special letter was sent to Religious Freedom Coalition supporters asking for the additional funds. Within days the fund raising goal was met and the \$5,000 was forwarded to the ministry in Jordan that operates the camp. Funds received in excess of this amount will be used to assist Iraqi Christian refugees in Jordan in other ways. A great big "thank you" to all who helped!

HELPING IRAQI CHRISTIANS – We are still conducting a petition drive asking Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to formulate a policy to stop the persecution of Christians in Iraq and to aid those Iraqi Christians who have been forced to flee.

If you have not signed the paper version of the petition, please consider signing the online version at: www. iraqichristianrefugees.org. We also have a Facebook site that has almost 600 members. We are getting the word out about Iraqi Christians while helping them as best we can with medical supplies and food distribution in Amman, Jordan.

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