



Resolution

Opposing Hate Crimes Legislation

- WHEREAS** a version of so-called “Hate Crimes” legislation passed both the House of Representatives and the Senate, but was removed during Conference Committee from a larger piece of legislation to which it was affixed; and
- WHEREAS** proponents of “Hate Crimes” legislation are likely to reintroduce such bills either as stand-alone bills or as attached to other legislation; and
- WHEREAS** “Hate Crimes” legislation would have a harmful “chilling effect” on the religious freedoms of religious broadcasters and other Christian ministries to communicate the whole counsel of God on such subjects as false religious doctrines and cults and sinful sexual behaviors which are contrary to biblical principals; and it would impose a political correctness standard over public discussions of such matters, and could result in the actual criminal prosecution of Christian communicators, as it has in other nations where similar laws have been passed; *Therefore be it*
- RESOLVED** that the National Religious Broadcasters opposes “Hate Crimes” legislation, and calls upon President George W. Bush, if such Hate Crimes legislation is passed by Congress, to veto such legislation.