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News Conference: Christian Leaders Oppose New Navy Prayer Policy

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WASHINGTON, March 27 /[Christian Wire Service](#)/ -- In response to the unprecedented new Navy prayer policy which forbids public prayers in the name of Jesus, former Alabama Chief Justice Roy S. Moore, Chairman of the Foundation for Moral Law, is holding a news conference in front of the Whitehouse on Thursday, March 30, 2006.

Included in the news conference are Rev. Patrick Mahoney of the Christian Defense Coalition, Rev. Rob Schenck of the National Clergy Council and Dr. Rick Scarborough of Vision America who will join Navy Chaplain Gordon James Klingenschmitt in urging President Bush to stand by his commitment to protect military chaplains' First Amendment right to pray according to the dictates of their faith, which includes praying in the name of Jesus.

News Conference Details---

When: Thursday, March 30, 2006, 9:00 a.m. (rain or shine)

Where: In front of the White House, on the Lafayette Square side

Who: Former Alabama Chief Justice Roy S. Moore, Chairman of the Foundation for Moral Law; Rev. Patrick Mahoney of the Christian Defense Coalition; Rev. Rob Schenck of the National Clergy Council; Dr. Rick Scarborough of Vision America; and Navy Chaplain Gordon James Klingenschmitt

Why: To urge President Bush to stand by his commitment to protect military chaplains' First Amendment right to pray according to the dictates of their faith, which includes praying in the name of Jesus.

(A visit to Capitol Hill will follow)

Judge Roy Moore stated: "As Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces, President George Bush should issue an executive order to stop those individuals under his authority from interfering with the right of military chaplains to pray in the name of Jesus. This action taken by the Secretary of the Navy contradicts our history and our law and is simply wrong. U.S. Code Title 10, Section 6031 still recognizes the original Navy policy since 1860; 'An officer in the Chaplain Corps may conduct public worship according to the manner and forms of the church of which he is a member.'"

Links to additional information:

www.persuade.tv/frenzy2/PR11SECNAV.pdf (Chaplain Klingenschmitt's whistleblower report to Congress)

www.persuade.tv/frenzy2/SECNAVINST17307C.pdf (link to Navy Policy)

www.morallaw.org (Foundation for Moral Law)

www.faithandaction.org (Faith and Action)

www.visionamerica.us (Vision America)

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