

OHIO BECOMES 12TH STATE TO INTRODUCE ANTI-BDS RESOLUTION IN PJTN'S ONGOING BATTLE AGAINST ANTI-SEMITISM ON U.S. CAMPUSES

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: June 28th, 2017 (NASHVILLE, TN) – Proclaiming Justice to The Nations (PJTN) Founder and President Laurie Cardoza-Moore applauded Ohio State Representative Andy Thompson for his leadership in confronting the growing threat of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) Movement on Ohio state campuses. PJTN's stated goal is to halt the anti-Semitic BDS Movement on college and university campuses in all 50 states, and with the introduction of this resolution, Ohio has become the 12th state to publicly condemn this anti-Semitic campaign in their legislature.

On June 19th, Jewish students at San Francisco State University filed a lawsuit testifying that the school fosters anti-Semitism. The suit states that "SFSU and its administrators have knowingly fostered this discrimination and hostile environment, which has been marked by violent threats to the safety of Jewish students on campus." Unfortunately, like many schools across the U.S., their administrations are unwilling to confront anti-Semitism head-on. Now, state legislators are taking action to send a message to schools in their states that if they will not reign in the anti-Semitic activity, they will!

Ohio's resolution before the General Assembly expands its condemnation of the BDS Movement to include denouncement of the increasing incidents of anti-Semitism being witnessed. Citing a long history of friendship between the State of Ohio and the State of Israel, the legislation calls for increased ties and interactions in business, government, the arts and culture as well as educational initiatives.

Through PJTN's strategic grassroots mobilization, Tennessee became the first state to pass an anti-BDS resolution in April of 2015. Since the initial passage, PJTN "watchmen" (grassroots supporters) have responded in 47 states to join the movement against BDS and support the passing of similar legislation in their own states. To date, nine additional states have passed resolutions like Tennessee's, with an additional 37 states in the process of introducing legislation.

Noted Cardoza-Moore: "Due to the effective launch of PJTN's anti-BDS media campaign, we have been tremendously encouraged by the response from state legislators and citizens who want to become engaged in efforts like Ohio's initiative. As of current count, citizens in 11 foreign nations have also requested information from our organization about the introduction of resolutions in their respective parliaments. In 2016, Canada passed a motion condemning BDS in their parliament using similar language as the Tennessee resolution. Our office is currently working with a team of lawyers in the UK and grassroots citizens in Scotland to introduce the anti-BDS resolution in their respective parliaments."

In 2017, with the launch of PJTN's "Campus Community Initiative", PJTN has re-focused its efforts to stop the BDS Movement on U.S. campuses as well as the rise of anti-Semitic violence and incidents throughout the U.S.

"In light of the positive climate of support for Israel through the new Trump administration, we feel the strategic time is here as never in recent history for Christians, Jews, and people of conscious both across America and globally to speak with one voice in support of Israel, and against a growing global anti-Semitic agenda," stated Cardoza-Moore. "By working to delegitimize the State of Israel, BDS not only intends to destroy the Jewish homeland, but it also violates Title VI of the U.S. Civil Rights Act as it pertains to Jewish students and protecting their Constitutional rights on campus. We will not stop until the anti-Semitic BDS movement is condemned globally."

ABOUT PJTN:

Proclaiming Justice to the Nations (PJTN), a 501c3 non-profit organization, was established to educate Christians about their Biblical responsibility to stand with their Jewish brethren and Israel, utilizing powerful film and video presentations, a variety of grassroots rallies, events and speaking engagements to facilitate dialogue between the Christian and Jewish communities in support of the State of Israel and against global genocidal anti-Semitism. In recent months the organization has led the struggle against BDS in America with a wave of state resolutions and the upcoming 2017 release of a new documentary film "BOYCOTT THIS!" that will expose the truth behind the BDS movement.

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