

Action Plan (part 1)

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By educating our peers and community of the problems that are caused by saying the pledge the way that it is said currently; social suffering and religious subjugation, we can convince them to join the fight against violation of religious freedoms, and against compelled speech. To do so we would need to explain to them that including “under God” in the pledge is an infringement of our civil liberties and is a terrible injustice.

The ACLU (American Civil Liberties Union) is an organization that works to restore civil liberties of Americans. They already agree with and support the idea to remove “under God” from the Pledge of Allegiance. We have spoken to Allen Gilbert, a member, about this idea. We have not yet informed him of the plan to restore the Pledge of Allegiance to its original version but he was enthusiastic about our opposition to the current Pledge. We would gain the ACLU’s support by contacting Allen Gilbert and ask him to convince members of the ACLU to help us.

We have gathered three opposing viewpoints, one of them being from Eric Buelhman (a lawyer working for James Jeffords) he declared that

“on the issue of ‘In God We Trust on money, basically says that that phrase on money should have lost it’s religious impact...it turned into not being a religious thing because we have seen it so much. The phrase ‘under God’ in the Pledge has sort have lost its religious context and so there is not a separation of church and state problem because it is not a religious saying.”

To help persuade Eric Buelhman and other people who oppose our public policy issue we would tell them our points and what is wrong with saying the pledge the way that it is said.

