

## RELIGIOUS FREEDOM ACTION COALITION SAYS

# YES TO ROBERTS

There are many examples in the world in recent years, of governments that are lawless criminal enterprises, murdering their own citizens because of their religious beliefs. The United States, while not perfect, has remained a haven of freedom, particularly religious freedom, and the rule of law for over two hundred years because our founders wisely established limits and boundaries. First, they declared that it is not within the authority of government to arbitrarily take away the inalienable human rights given by our Creator. Secondly, they established a Constitution to provide guidelines and limits, and a Supreme Court to interpret the Constitution.

Since the 1960's however, some Supreme Court Justices have imagined their role to be that of lawmakers rather than interpreters of the Constitution. Claiming the Constitution is an "evolving" document, the Court has actually misinterpreted its intent in order to restrict rights while claiming to protect rights. Men and women can now lose their jobs for inviting co-workers to their church. Faith based organizations must hide religious symbols and are forced to hire those not of their faith if they want to do business with the "secular" state. Cities have been forced to change their seals, and even memorials to the dead have been declared unlawful by courts citing Supreme Court rulings. Because of the Court's decisions, citizens have even been fired from their jobs for expressing their religious convictions in letters-to-the editor. For decades the Court has been eroding rights, particularly religious rights, rather than protecting them.

The Religious Freedom Action Coalition believes that Judge John G. Roberts will interpret the Constitution of the United States rather than change it. Roberts believes in the rule of law and understands the rightful jurisdiction of the Court. He is a man of proven integrity who by his words and actions has demonstrated respect for God and for the Constitution.

As Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, we believe Judge Roberts will guide the Court away from the continuing erosion of the religious rights of our citizens. Judge Roberts should be immediately confirmed so that he may take his rightful seat on the Court before its next term begins.

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