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My name is John Mason, a resident of Fannin Co. since 1997.
In a month, I'll be in my 82nd year.

I'm a retired O-5 - veteran of service in and with the USCG, -
a retired Professional & nuclear Engineer-
with classified participation in nuclear weapons materials production.

I was born before Pearl Harbor. -
I remember, (as a child), black outs, air raid wardens, rationing & victory gardens.

I've seen America change - change from a strong, unified, nation -
where truth, morality, family and God -
were the unquestioned fabric and glue - that made America what it was.

Today, the rate of change is exponential -
and in a direction - away from the values of yesteryear.

We live in a culture that, (in considerable part), no longer believes in absolute truth, -
that history can be rewritten to suit the dominant narrative,
(Consider the so-called "1619 Project".)
that there are more than two sexes, that males can be females and females males, -
that same sex marriage is normal.

In the wake of the denial of Truth, the denial of God, Who is the Source of all truth, -
the culture now decides for itself what is right & what is wrong.

"Woe to those who call evil good and good evil,..."

So, the powerful; that is, the governing elite, the dominant social voice -
becomes the **arbiter** of the direction of societal lock-step "progression" -
and the **decider** of the popular fate.

Gentlemen, - I ask that you truly grasp the importance of your role-
in protecting this community, protecting our young-
from the Godless ideologies of the day.

Already, there have been attempts to corrupt our young; -
among them - a recent effort to establish a Gay Straight Alliance club at our high school –
in the hope of providing **“a vehicle for deep social change”**.
(Please note the SGT meeting report, dated 1/15/20 in your package.)

Americans have, for too long, trusted “the powers that be” -
to act honestly - and for the common good.
(That simply is no longer the case.)

For some inexplicable reason, our leaders-
have failed to challenge the wrongful interpretation of “The Establishment Clause”-
allowing it to prevail for so long and at such a cost.

History clearly shows that it was never the intent of the Founding Fathers-
to jettison God and His Truth from government or public life.
(Please see the paper: “SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE” also in your package.)

The falsehood that our Constitution is a God-less document is today widely propagated, -
even taught in our law schools.

Historian David Barton expertly debunks this progressive narrative in his CD:
“GOD IN THE CONSTITUTION”.

(A copy of which is also included in you package.)

It is time (X), I believe, before our time runs out, -
(The harsh reality of jack boot Communism always follows progressive socialism.)
(2X) to stand against long accepted falsehoods, (3X) to stand squarely for the Truth.

Your community deeply appreciates your past vigilance as “watchmen on the walls”-
and stands with you as you continue to defend and speak out for the Truth.

Thank you.

May God bless us, all!

My name is John Mason. I am a resident of Fannin Co. since 1997.

I wish to comment-
regarding the consideration of establishing-
a Gay Straight Alliance (GSA) club here at the high school.

Its establishment was proposed here at your Oct. 16th meeting -
by a local resident non-student who made it clear that he was an atheist -
and a non-resident companion.

Their argument for its establishment -
was based on justice, equality, fairness and the right or proper thing to do.
However, these realities come from, are rooted in and are the essence of-
absolute truth: God.

As our Declaration of Independence correctly states:
*"We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal, -
that they are endowed by their Creator -
with certain unalienable rights,..."*

If one does not believe in absolute truth:
God, the source and guarantor of such realities, -
who then, does that one see as the source & guarantor of any rights?
For that person it must be man, himself!

If, indeed, man is the author of justice, equality and rights, -
these heretofore recognized absolutes -
become subjective and arbitrary at the whim of the power holder.

In such a case, not all men are equal.
Some, indeed, will eventually be denied their rights.

Cases in point:
the deceptively named "Equality Act" -
also known as "the Gay Bill of Special Rights" (H.R.5 & S. 788) -
already passed in the House, know in the Senate -
and
the "Do No Harm Bill" in the House.

A summary of the contents of these bills -
reveals the obliteration of religious freedom in America, -
should they become law.
So much for the rights of believers in God.

The establishment of a GSA club here in Fannin Co. -
is simply the first step (the camel's nose in the tent, so to speak) -
by those who have a broader agenda.

From GSAs own web site:
"GSAs have evolved beyond their traditional role to serve as safe spaces-
for LGBTQ+ youth...,
and have emerged as vehicles for deep social change...."

Advocates of "deep social change" are not dishonest, --
they simply do not believe in honesty, equality, justice, individual rights.
Those that do, can provide no source for these absolutes -
apart from themselves.

In a word, they do not believe in Absolute Truth, -
except to use these expressions -
to accomplish their aim of expunging Judeo-Christian Morality-
from American culture.

For them, their only law, their only belief is-
"The end justifies any and all means." .
Therefore, for them, there is no consideration given to honesty or truth.
If they exist at all, they are subjective.

This administration acknowledges-
that student safety is a paramount responsibility. (Well done!)
However, that responsibility, I submit, goes beyond the physical.

Certainly our American culture has changed -
changed because the Truth that comes from Infinite Love, Himself, -
has often been denied or abandoned (that is, not defended) -
by those charged with its defense.

That Truth warns us that certain unnatural acts or perversions -
are deadly to the individual and society -
and the acceptance of lifestyles that may lead to such perversions -
is also dangerous to the individual and society.

It seems you find yourselves at a defining moment.

Will your action in this regard, -
be forever known as protective of your charges -
and courageous on their behalf -

or -
will it be eternally noted as something other?

Thank you for your time and attention.

SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE

The First Amendment to the United States Constitution contains what is known as the "Establishment Clause":

**"Congress shall make no law
respecting an establishment of religion
or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."**

The Constitution was amended by the founding fathers to ensure that there would be no state religion, as in England, where the Church of England was "by law, established".

This amendment precluded the state from forcing membership in any particular religion and prohibited government from bridling, controlling or otherwise manipulating the exercise of one's religious faith.

Man is gifted with free will by his Creator to accept God and His truth or, at his peril, reject Him. To insist on or force participation in any religion is a violation of the gift of free will and a violation of man's dignity.

In 1947, the Supreme Court handed down a decision, crafted by Justice Hugo Black, which enshrined the phrase "There shall be a wall of separation between church and state." Ironically, what was at the time of our nation's founders, the commonly accepted understanding of "separation", was penned by Thomas Jefferson in a letter to a Baptist community in Danbury Connecticut in 1802, to underscore the right to practice religion as one chooses, without interference from the state.

However, since the enshrinement of the phrase "separation of church and state" by the Supreme Court in 1947, secular judges have removed religious studies and prayer from public schools, the public display of religious symbols, including the Ten Commandments, and are attempting to remove consideration of God and the natural law from all aspects of the public sector, with potentially disastrous results.

This interpretation of the First Amendment: "separation of church and state", has become, in practice, separation of the state from God. This is a fundamental and serious error since governments derive their sovereignty from God for the sole purpose of protecting and fostering the common good. To banish God, Who is the source of all goodness, is a grievous error, indeed, and an offense against Him and all the people, since without the absolute truth of natural law, the powerful become the rule markers of tyranny.

Suggested reading: "The Jefferson Lies" by David Barton.