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The National Black Church Initiative Disagrees with the Supreme Court's Decision On Same Sex Marriage Petition

The Supreme Court Erred on This Ruling

Washington, D.C. – The National Black Church Initiative, a coalition of 34,000 churches – 852 churches in DC alone - comprised of 15 denominations and 15.7 million African Americans, is dismayed the Supreme Court refused to hear a petition against DC's Same Sex Marriage Law. NBCI President Rev. Anthony Evans is a petitioner in Jackson v. The District of Columbia and one of the many who fight on behalf of DC residents opposing same sex marriage.

In essence, today's Supreme Court decision ruled that DC residents have no standing to bring a complaint against the DC City Council. Our objection to the constitutionality of the city law that redefines marriage remains steadfast and the Christian church maintains that marriage can only exist between one man and one woman. The sole objective of the Supreme Court petition was to showcase the dictatorial and illegal manner that the DC City Council imposed their will on the majority of the District residents through their refusal to put the same sex marriage law up for referendum.

The Church will not allow the definition of marriage be desecrated in this way. No one, not even the Church, has the right to arbitrarily change God's Word. The Black Church is outraged at this injustice – this fight is not over.

Rev. Anthony Evans states, "This Supreme Court's decision constitutes religious insensitivity and injustice. We believe in God's Word - that marriage can only exist between one man and one woman. We also believe that the law will eventually be on our side. Therefore, I have declared a theological emergency in the Black Church, freeing up resources to fight this law and any same sex marriage legislation nationwide. Like the scriptures indicate, we will not let one dot of God's word be changed and we will fight it until the Lord comes again."

About NBCI

The National Black Church Initiative (NBCI) is a coalition of 34,000 African American and Latino churches working to eradicate racial disparities in healthcare, technology, education, housing, and the environment. NBCI's mission is to provide critical wellness information to all of its members, congregants, churches and the public. The National Black Church Initiative's methodology is utilizing faith and sound health science. The National Black Church Initiative's purpose is to partner with major organizations and officials whose main mission is to reduce racial disparities in the variety of areas cited above. NBCI offers faith-based, out-of-the-box and cutting edge solutions to stubborn economic and social issues. NBCI's programs are governed by credible statistical analysis, science based strategies and techniques, and methods that work.

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