

A Vision of Compassionate Leadership: A Response to Project 2025

A statement from the CSL Spiritually Motivated Social Engagement Committee

"And I know that this spiritual democracy shall endure, guaranteeing to everyone in this country personal liberty, happiness and self-expression."

— Ernest Holmes, "A Prayer for My Country"

Centers for Spiritual Living supports our elected leaders in upholding the institutions of American civil society with respect for and advancement of human rights. We encourage all elected leaders to respect the dignity of every individual and foster an inclusive, just, and equitable society.

Guided by our New Thought spiritual traditions, we align with measures that honor each person's intrinsic worth. We celebrate diversity and promote equity and inclusion, recognizing that every individual's unique qualities enrich our nation. Terms such as sexual orientation, gender identity, diversity, equity and inclusion should be respected within our legislative and regulatory frameworks, reflecting all citizens' fundamental rights and freedoms. Upholding these values strengthens our society through compassion, respect and understanding.

We urge current and future elected officials to safeguard the well-being of vulnerable populations. We support education to uncover and address the root causes of discrimination and exploitation, and to provide healing and restoration for affected individuals.

CSL is driven by our mission to provide spiritual tools for personal and global transformation. Our vision of a world that works for everyone inspires us to strive for a just and compassionate society that upholds the core values of love, inclusivity

and the inherent worth of every individual. In this pursuit, we honor both the foundational principles of our nation and the guiding values of CSL, such as respect, dignity, equality and justice.

As an organization committed to a world that works for all, we believe policy proposals outlined in Project 2025 move the United States in the wrong direction. Rather than moving toward a more just and equitable society, Project 2025 moves the U.S. backwards, restricting rights and freedoms. We encourage everyone to speak aloud the affirmation below for our country. Remember, while it is important to pray, it's also important to be an engaged citizen and use the power of the ballot box to vote your values.

Let us affirm together: I affirm that the United States and its elected leaders are guided by wisdom, compassion and integrity in all decisions and actions. I envision a nation where justice and equality prevail and where every voice is heard and respected. I affirm that our leaders are inspired to work together harmoniously for the greater good, fostering unity and understanding among all people.

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