



June 21, 2011

Dear Editor:

In response to David Offer's opinion piece of 6/21, please let me clarify that the National Day of Prayer (NDP) has an official policy statement on participation that says: "The National Day of Prayer Task Force was a creation of the National Prayer Committee for the expressed purpose of organizing and promoting prayer observances conforming to a Judeo-Christian system of values. People with other theological and philosophical views are, of course, free to organize and participate in activities that are consistent with their own beliefs. This diversity is what Congress intended when it designated the Day of Prayer, not that every faith and creed would be homogenized, but that all who sought to pray for this nation would be encouraged to do so in any way deemed appropriate. It is that broad invitation to the American people that led, in our case, to the creation of the Task Force and the Judeo-Christian principles on which it is based."

We at Concerned Women for America of Maine appreciate Mrs. LePage and her willingness to read the NDP honorary chairman's prayer here in Maine at the same time it was being read across our nation. We joined cooperatively with those in our land of like precious faith to preserve America's Christian heritage and defend the religious freedoms granted by the Constitution, mobilize and encourage personal and corporate prayer, regardless of current issues and positions, emphasize prayer for America and its leadership in the seven centers of power: government, military, media, business, education, church and family and foster unity within the Christian church.

Mr. Offer is welcome to have his own official ceremony on the State House steps, or not, which is his and our Constitutional right.

Sincerely,

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