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PUBLIC COMMENT – Appendix B: Detailed Recommendations – Faith-Based Institutions

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Dear Chairman Dan Patrick and Commissioners of the Religious Liberty Commission,

Thank you for the Commission's thoughtful [draft report](#) and for its attention to the religious freedom of faith-based institutions.

CPJ is especially grateful that, under "Faith-Based Institutions" and "Executive Action" (p. 212), the report acknowledges and draws upon our recommendation proposing updated Equal Treatment regulations. We appreciate the Commission's recognition of this proposal as a model for ensuring that faith-based organizations may participate in federal programs without surrendering their religious identity or compromising their convictions.

We respectfully *reaffirm* the recommendations contained in CPJ's previous submission and encourage the Commission to retain these proposals in its final recommendations to the President. Strong, clear Equal Treatment regulations would help safeguard and promote the religious freedom of faith-based organizations for years to come.

Thank you again for the Commission's work and for considering public input.

Sincerely,

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