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The Honorable Peter T. King
United States House of Representatives
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Dear Congressman King:

Please let me thank you for your courageous efforts as Chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, to bring to light the forces working for Islamic radicalization in our country, and to find ways to defend against and hopefully prevent this radicalization.

For over twenty-five years I have been chairman of the Religious Freedom Coalition, a Washington DC based organization whose purpose is to educate Americans about threats to religious liberty, to preserve and defend the rights our founders ensured to us, and to advocate on behalf of those who are persecuted and denied their rights simply because of their professed faith. Much of our work in recent years has been providing aid for religiously persecuted groups, mainly Iraqi Christians who have fled Islamic violence to seek refuge in Jordan, and advocating for their cause in Washington.

From many fact finding and aid missions to the Middle East, and from my many friends and contacts there, I am well acquainted with the suffering caused by Islamic extremism in that area, and how sharia law aids and enables the spread of radicalization. And, we know that unfortunately there is a long history of American citizens and legal residents actively supporting and promoting radicalization in our own country, at least since the first World Trade Center bombing, and perhaps before.

There is evidence that many mosques in our country are teaching hatred and calling for a sharia based society with values totally alien to and incompatible with our Judeo-Christian heritage and our representative democracy based on the rule of law. We have prominent American schools and universities that have received substantial funding from the governments of Muslim nations, and our leaders need to understand how this influences what is being taught in those institutions. Thank you again for what you are doing to serve and protect our country.

Yours respectfully,

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Chairman