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Singer Pat Boone Joins Senators in Unveiling Gallup Poll on Flag Protection Amendment

(Hollywood, Ca.) -- Singer/entertainer Pat Boone will join U.S. Senators in Washington, DC on Wednesday, Sept. 9, to announce the latest national Gallup poll of Americans in support of the flag protection amendment.

With a floor vote in the U.S. Senate imminent, Boone will join amendment sponsors Sens. Orrin Hatch, Max Cleland and a host of co-sponsors in unveiling the current pulse of America on Senate Joint Resolution 40. Poll after poll affirms that 75 to 80 percent of the American people want Old Glory protected from physical desecration.

“Burning and desecrating our flag is wrong,” Boone said. “Our flag stands for our future, our hopes and our dreams. Will our children’s nation point to us as the generation that did nothing as this cherished symbol went up in smoke?”

Joining the senators and Boone will be Medal of Honor recipient Maj. Gen. Patrick Brady, Chairman of the Citizens Flag Alliance, Bishop Carlton Pierson, Higher Dimensions Ministries and representatives of the Gallup organization.

In a 5 to 4 decision in 1989, the Supreme Court overturned five previous courts and 100 years of jurisprudence when it ruled that physical desecration of the flag was “free speech”. Boone has appeared in television spots for the Citizens Flag Alliance, Inc. (CFA) urging people to contact their senators in support of the amendment. CFA is a coalition of 133 national fraternal, civic, religious, veterans and business organizations representing over 25 million citizens with the sole purpose of returning to the American people the right to protect their flag.

The press conference will be held in the Capitol Building, Room S207 at 9:30 a.m. (EDT).

“In the final analysis, this amendment is not about whether burning, defecating or urinating on our flag is free speech, it’s about whether destroying our nation’s flag is right and moral,” Boone said. “The vast majority know it is not and should not be allowed.”

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