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## Chaplains Commend Air Force Decision to Keep Christmas Display

**WASHINGTON** - Chaplain endorsers, representing more than 2,000 military chaplains, commend the Commander of Travis Air Force Base and his legal team for their decision to keep the traditional manger scene as part of the 17-year tradition of displays during the Christmas season.

“Our military personnel should not be coerced to abandon their religious heritage simply to appease someone’s political agenda,” said CH (COL) Ron Crews, an Army Chaplain who served 28 years and is now Executive Director for Chaplain Alliance for Religious Liberty.

This latest attempt by the Military Religious Freedom Foundation (MRFF) to intimidate military personnel by threat of lawsuit must be challenged. CH Crews said, “We are concerned at the apparent open access Mikey Weinstein has to senior Pentagon leaders and call for Congress to investigate his relationship, particularly to Air Force officials.” Mikey Weinstein, an Air Force Academy graduate, has been an outspoken critic of any public display of our religious heritage. Crews continued, “Someone must confront the assault by Mr. Weinstein on our constitutionally guaranteed religious liberties. The Chaplain Alliance for Religious Liberty will take that stand.

The Chaplain Alliance for Religious Liberties is an organization of Chaplain Endorsers that promotes the religious liberty for all those who wear our nation’s uniform. No American should be required to yield their Constitutionally guaranteed religious liberties while they serve to protect the liberty of all our citizens.

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