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FAITH LEADERS AGAINST HATE

As leaders in the black clergy community, we want to voice our strong support for the Matthew Shepard Act.

Our faith tells us that an act of hate upon one member of our community – whether because of race, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability – is an attack on all of us.

Together, we stand with millions of fairminded and faithful Americans who support this common sense legislation.

Our faith tells us that giving law enforcement officials the tools they need to fight hate violence is the right thing to do. We hope that our leaders will hear this important message and vote in good faith to support the Matthew Shepard Act.

The faith leaders featured represent tens of thousands of fair-minded Americans.



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