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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
AUSTIN DIVISION**

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WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

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**FREEDOM FROM RELIGION
FOUNDATION, INC.,
Plaintiff,**

**CAUSE NO.:
AU-16-CA-00233-SS**

-vs-

**GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT, in his
official and individual capacities, and ROD
WELSH, Executive Director of the Texas
State Preservation Board, in his official
capacity,
Defendants.**

FINAL JUDGMENT

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 14th of May, 2018, the Court entered its order dismissing Plaintiff Freedom From Religion Foundation, Inc. (FFRF)'s Establishment Clause claim against Governor Abbott and Executive Director Welsh in their official capacities as well as Plaintiff's freedom of speech claim against Governor Abbot in his individual capacity. The Court has previously granted summary judgment in FFRF's favor on the First Amendment freedom of speech claim brought by FFRF against Governor Abbott and Executive Director Welsh in their official capacities. *See* Order of Oct. 13, 2017. As there are no further claims requiring resolution, the Court hereafter enters the following:

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that judgment is granted in favor of FFRF on FFRF's First Amendment freedom of speech claim; and



IT IS FURTHER DECLARED that Defendants violated FFRF's First Amendment rights and engaged in viewpoint discrimination as a matter of law when the FFRF's exhibit was removed from the Texas Capitol building under the circumstances of this case.

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED the parties have advised by stipulation and otherwise that this order will conclude the case in the District Court and the Clerk is ORDERED to close the case accordingly.

SIGNED this the 19th day of June 2018.



SAM SPARKS
SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE