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Freedom From Religion Foundation  
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Re: Prayer Banners on Jackson County, WV Courthouse Lawn

Dear Mr. Elliott:

I represent the Jackson County Commission. I am in receipt of your letters dated June 1, 2018 and August 9, 2018 regarding two banners displayed on the Jackson County Courthouse lawn gazebo, one containing a bible verse and another featuring crosses and announcing a National Day of Prayer in May.

These banners were not placed on the gazebo by anyone associated with county government. Various public groups and entities use the gazebo throughout the year and one of these groups placed the banners on the gazebo. The county has now adopted a policy prohibiting the placement of any type of banners or signs on the gazebo.

I hope this addresses your concerns. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Eric J. Holmes

cc: Jackson County Commission