



Monday, August 07, 2017

Mohamed Omar,
Dar Al farooq Center
8201 Park Ave S
Bloomington, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Omar,

We at the American Humanist Association (AHA) want to extend our deep sympathy and compassion to you and your congregation in light of the recent attack on the Dar Al farooq Center. This bombing was a contemptible act, and we are relieved no one was physically injured.

The growing sentiment of Christian Nationalism and actual silence from President Trump and his administration during your organization's time of need points to the egregious double standard mounting in this country toward non-Christians.

The American Humanist Association, jointly with other nontheist organizations, is actively requesting a dialogue with the Trump Administration to ensure religious freedom and inclusion for all Americans, including Muslims as well as humanists and other nontheists. We also support the newly introduced Do No Harm Act intended to amend the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) of 1993 to protect individuals' civil rights.

The AHA stands in solidarity with you and the members of your community and we will continue to do so as we confront ongoing biases in the name of human rights, religious freedom and social justice.

Sincerely,

Roy Speckhardt
Executive Director, American Humanist Association