STATEMENT FROM REV. ROB SCHENCK REGARDING MASS SHOOTING IN LAS VEGAS

REV. ROB SCHENCK, PRESIDENT OF THE DIETRICH BONHOEFFER INSTITUTE, ASKS FOR PRAYER AND SUPPORT FOR VICTIMS OF LAST NIGHT’S MASS SHOOTING IN LAS VEGAS

October 2, 2017 (Washington, D.C.) Following the worst mass shooting in the history of the United States, President of the Dietrich Bonhoeffer Institute, Rev. Dr. Rob Schenck, is asking clergy to lead Americans in prayer and support for the victims, the wounded, and families of all those affected by the barbaric and senseless shooting of more than 450 people overnight in Las Vegas, Nevada.

“At times like this the greatest contribution any of us can make is to surround victims and loved ones with our prayers. This is also a tragic reminder that we must all pray and work to stop this scale of violence that permeates our society and undermines the freedom and security that have been hallmarks of our nation. We commend the first responders, police, and civilians that put their own lives in risk to save the lives of others and help the wounded to get to safety. It’s an outrage that innocent people, including young children, who were simply attending a music concert in an outdoor venue became targets of a faceless perpetrator bent on killing as many people as possible. As members of the faith community, we resolve to seek answers to the increasing gun violence in our communities and nation. On behalf of The Dietrich Bonhoeffer Institute we send our faith, love, and prayers to the victims and their families in this atrocious and purposeful act of violence.”

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