BISHOPS FROM INDIA CONTACTED: MOTHER TERESA CAMPAIGN CONTINUES

Catholic League president Bill Donohue comments on who the league is contacting today regarding the Mother Teresa campaign:

Last week we began our petition drive protesting the decision by Anthony Malkin, the owner of the Empire State Building, not to overrule those who have chosen to deny a tribute to Mother Teresa: our request to have the towers shine blue and white, the colors of her congregation, on August 26th, the 100th anniversary of her birth (and the day the U.S. Postal Service is honoring her with a commemorative stamp), was denied without explanation. Yet the same persons who chose to stiff Mother Teresa decided to honor the Chinese Communist revolution last year, even though 77 million innocent men, women and children were murdered under Mao Zedong.

In less than a week, we have amassed over 21,000 signatures to our petition. We will continue the petition drive throughout the summer.

Last week, we contacted the leaders of the Missionaries of Charity, the order founded by Mother Teresa, about our campaign. Today we are writing to the 224 Catholic cardinals and bishops stationed in India.

Everyone is being asked to not only sign our petition (click <u>here</u>), but to write to Anthony Malkin. His address is Malkin Properties, One Grand Central Place 60, E. 42nd St., NY, NY 10165.

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