DEMOCRATS TOLERATE ANTI-CHRISTIAN CONGRESSMAN

Democratic Congressman Gary Ackerman of New York has called for U.S. Secretary Rod Paige to resign for expressing his belief that the values taught in Christian schools are superior to those learned in public schools. Failing his resignation, Ackerman has called on President Bush to demand Paige's resignation. Ackerman has been joined by other Democrats in calling for Paige's ouster.

Catholic League president William Donohue explains today why he is labeling Ackerman an anti-Christian bigot who should be driven out of office:

"U.S. Secretary Rod Paige states what millions of Americans believe, namely that Christian values are superior to the hollow values that mark public education, and for this Rep. Gary Ackerman accuses him of 'the Taliban approach to education.' In short, Paige's sympathies for Christian values make him a terrorist. This is not the voice of a rational man—it is the voice of a mudslinger.

"Democratic Congressman James Moran recently blamed Jews for pressuring the U.S. to go to war with Iraq. And what was the reaction of his Jewish colleague, Gary Ackerman? Ackerman did not ask for his resignation—he merely advised Moran not to seek reelection!

"On March 27, Gary Ackerman was asked to vote on a non-binding resolution urging President George W. Bush, in recognition of the U.S. war in Iraq, to declare a day of prayer and fasting. Ackerman voted no.

"Any one of these three instances proves nothing. But combined they do: they tell us that Gary Ackerman is an anti-Christian bigot who should be driven from office."