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Dear Christie A. Preston,

As a constituent of a secular non-profit organization, I ask that you please treat all non-profits equally, whether secular or religious., and to please subject both types of organizations to the same oversight.

As an almost 85 year old woman, I was a constituent of many religious non-profit organizations; for example, I was a minister's wife working in churches and in an American Indian Misssion and School when I was younger. Never, until the 1980s, was I permitted to be in a leadership position because, of course, I was female. But I did witness much corruption because of lack of oversight and much leniency from taxes. Late in life I earned a Ph.D. in philosophy and religion and became a university professor of religious studies. From this I learned the long history of the harm and corruption engendered from tax-free status of religious organizations.

Thank you very much for considering my Public Comment.

Sincerely,

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