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Dear Ms. Preston,

I am a US citizen residing in New York. I am very concerned about any preferential treatment that churches or other religious institutions may receive in comparison to other not-for-profit organizations. I believe that all non-profit organizations should be treated equally, regardless of whether they espouse an atheist position, or a religious position. Currently the IRS singles out churches for privileged treatment by exempting them from the disclosure requirements all other 501(c)(3) organizations must comply with, or lose their exemption. I am a taxpayer, who is subsidizing tax-exempt groups, and I fell that I have a right to know what entities are exempt from taxation and to review general financial disclosures. The privilege of not being taxed must come with some measures of accountability.

Please make churches conform to the same IRS requirements as all other 501(c)(3) groups. At a minimum, the IRS should require any organizations that claim to be religious organizations, to file an annual notice with the IRS that they are claiming tax exemption.
Thank you and kind regards
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