

FFWPU USA filed a lawsuit against The World Peace and Unification Sanctuary

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NEW YORK, July 31, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- Family Federation for World Peace and Unification USA (a.k.a. the Unification Church) has filed a lawsuit for unauthorized use of a registered trademark against The World Peace and Unification Sanctuary in Newfoundland, Pennsylvania (a.k.a. "Sanctuary Church").

Family Federation's proprietary logo is being used unlawfully to identify and brand Sanctuary Church, causing confusion among the public. Sanctuary Church has continued to disregard numerous cease-and-desist requests sent from Family Federation.

In light of the recent media attention surrounding Sanctuary Church, public concern regarding the political views of this organization, and public brand confusion, Family Federation has made the difficult decision to pursue litigation to protect the legacy of its founders, the Reverend Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon.

"Family Federation is in no way affiliated with Sanctuary Church," says Rev. Richard Buessing, president of Family Federation USA. "While we respect every individual's right to freedom of religion, freedom of speech, and other constitutional rights, we oppose violence and do not use weapons in any of our religious ceremonies. Sean Hyung Jin Moon has disregarded his father's teachings regarding the importance of true love and reconciliation in addressing the problems of the world."

About Family Federation

Family Federation is composed of families around the world striving to establish peace and unity among all peoples, races, and religions as envisioned by Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon and to embody the ideal of true love as taught in the Divine Principle, the core teachings of the Unification Movement. Family Federation champions three ideals: family, peace, and unification. The mission statement of Family Federation USA is: "To guide America back to God through the teachings and Marriage Blessing of True Parents."

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