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## America Ready For "Gay" President, Says Jimmy Carter

Equating homosexual "rights" with the nation's long and painful struggle for racial equality, former President Jimmy Carter said that it is just a matter of time before America elects a homosexual President.

I think the entire population of America has come tremendous strides forward in dealing with the issue of gays, Mr. Carter said in an interview posted on <u>thebigthink.com</u>, an online global forum. And while Mr. Carter admitted it probably wont happen in the next election, he predicted that because Americans have become so open-minded and tolerant, in the near future they will elect a homosexual individual to the White House.



Step-by-step, we have realized that this issue of homosexuality has the same adverse and progressive elements as when we dealt with the race issue 50 years ago, explained Mr. Carter, so I would say that the country is getting acclimated to a president who might be female, who might, obviously, now, be black, and who might be as well a gay person.

It is well understood that the majority of African-Americans who actually lived through Americas civil rights struggle reject the notion that there are any similarities between their efforts and those of homosexual activists to normalize their aberrant behavior. Several years ago, as conservative coalitions in scores of states worked to defend traditional marriage, black Christian leaders across the nation stood together to oppose efforts by homosexual activists to equate their agenda with the real-life struggle of blacks to win racial equality in the 1960s.

One group of such leaders, calling itself the Coalition of African-American Pastors, issued the following statement: "As African American pastors we understand first hand discrimination and the wholesale violation of our civil rights. The overwhelmingly majority of African American Pastors strongly oppose same sex marriage. Many of us were involved in the civil rights movement of the 1960s and we strongly reject the notion that the fight for same sex marriage is equivalent to our struggle against discrimination. Further, we find it extremely offensive to compare the homosexual agenda with the civil rights movement for our basic human rights."

President Carter has an extensive record of working alongside those pushing the homosexual agenda. In fact, the longtime member of the conservative Southern Baptist Church quit his denomination in 2000 in large part because of its principled, biblical stand on such issues as homosexual marriage. In a mass-mailing to some 75,000 Baptists across the nation at that time, Mr. Carter cited the denominations increasingly rigid creed, writing, I have finally decided that, after 65 years, I can no longer be associated with the Southern Baptist Convention.

In 1992, Mr. Carter became the first U.S. President to lend his official support to a homosexual activist group when he agreed to serve as honorary co-chair for a fund-raising dinner the Human Rights

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Campaign. More recently, the former Commander in Chief and career naval officer has been a highprofile voice in favor of repealing the don't ask, don't tell ban on homosexuals serving in the military.

In an exclusive statement made on May 15, 2007 to the homosexual activist group Servicemembers Legal Defense Network, Mr. Carter declared, The nations commitment to human rights requires that lawmakers revisit Don't Ask, Don't Tell, the current policy that prevents lesbians, gays and bisexuals from serving openly in our armed forces. Mr. Carter criticized the policy that regulates a group of citizens then prohibits them from identifying themselves and speaking up on their own behalf.

He went on to claim that over 11,000 homosexuals had been drummed out of the military at that time because of the policy, and said that the remaining estimated 65,000 gay men and women who currently are serving our country honorably deserve respect.

As reported in <u>TheNewAmerican.com</u>, on December 16 and 18 respectively, the U.S. House and Senate took the issue beyond respect, ignoring the strong voices of reason from seasoned military leaders and defense experts by voting to rescind the long standing common-sense policy against homosexuals serving in the armed forces.



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