



AMBASSADOR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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The Honorable John L. Loeb, Jr.
Chairman
George Washington Institute for Religious Freedom
50 Broad Street, STE 1137
New York, NY 1004

Dear Ambassador Loeb:

Thank you for your December letter regarding suggestions for promoting religious tolerance through George Washington's example. As you know, promoting religious tolerance and freedom is a key U.S. priority here in Lithuania and around the world. George Washington's message is as essential today as it was in 1790. I imagine that founding the George Washington Institute for Religious Freedom was no small undertaking, though a rewarding one, nonetheless.

I have instructed our Public Affairs Section to explore ways of incorporating Washington's message in our social media outreach. Possible actions may include a posting on Facebook, a tweet, or inclusion in one of my blog posts. We believe these options will be more effective here in Lithuania.

Thank you again for reaching out with this helpful suggestion.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Deborah A. McCarthy".

Ambassador Deborah A. McCarthy