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Dear **Members** and **Friends**,

As most of you know, the **Papal Visit to Philadelphia** prompted the **Foundation** to hold a **Constitution Day** (September 17) **Press Conference on Independence Mall**, entitled

**"Challenging Pope Francis on Global Warming and the Nature of Capitalism"** in response to the Pope's recent Encyclical, *Laudato Si'*, and in anticipation of his remarks on both topics during a historic appearance before a **Joint Session of Congress** (the first ever by a Pontiff).

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From left to right: Foundation Board members Trudy Beckschi, Don Adams; Heartland Institute experts Elizabeth Yore, Esquire; Jay Lehr, Ph. D.; Gene Kopowski after Constitution Day Press Conference challenging Pope Francis.

Conference participants included 1210 AM WPHT talk show host, **Dom Giordano**; Foundation Board Member, **Teri Adams**; and three experts from the **Chicago-based think tank, The Heartland Institute**.

With dueling press conferences taking place at the same time -- one on Marcellus Shale and one on global warming, we still managed to snag quite a few members of the press -- including *the Inquirer*, *the Daily News*, **ABC 6**, and **NPR**. Sadly, we weren't able to prevent the reporters from twisting our words and misrepresenting our cause.

All five conference speakers gave terrific presentations, including Ms. Adams, who had the difficult task of relating the Conference, the Pope's visit, and the issue of global warming to our commemoration of **Constitution Day 2015**.

We would like to thank Foundation Board Members **Bill Miller**, **Lin DeCesare**, and member **Janet Cantor** for donating the funds necessary to hold the conference at the **Independence Visitors Center Ballroom**.

Also, we would like to thank Board Members **Cort Rosholt**, **Peter** and **Trudy Beckshi**, **Phil** and **Betty Schieber**, and member **Jim Lyman** for their volunteer help on the day of the event.

Of course, the Conference would not have been successful without the participation and/or support of **The Heartland Institute**, especially **Jim Lakely**; and our good friends **Dom Giordano** and **John Fund**.

The following are two links to news stories stemming from the presser:

[http://articles.philly.com/2015-09-19/news/66682030\\_1\\_climate-scientists-heartland-institute-climate-change](http://articles.philly.com/2015-09-19/news/66682030_1_climate-scientists-heartland-institute-climate-change)  
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<http://www.westernfreepress.com/2015/09/18/philadelphia-daily-news-philadelphia-inquirer-and-other-media-report-on-heartlands-papal-pre-buttal/>  
<[http://email.robly.com/mpss/c/0AA/IYwVAA/t.1qx/rO4iT58xRSKN3nj4rV6\\_-g/h1/0a6y55I-2BWghB64Q-2F75OF7ekby2ruWtMgTa37uRrr06CXYzD2sVxXvoh-2Fw-2FVgqP0Ax6n-2Fe4zc5Cj1SubiamWAJ-2BBS4KqNMoeckGUM54qz-2FF9FGeVuMYfFJCNeJ-2FcZlbUgQSjoyPG93JVnX2527wnyk-2FUDgtbZBTtPfb961N9-2FNkxKf5-2FWuxtRz1bNVObuDHL5](mailto:robly.com/mpss/c/0AA/IYwVAA/t.1qx/rO4iT58xRSKN3nj4rV6_-g/h1/0a6y55I-2BWghB64Q-2F75OF7ekby2ruWtMgTa37uRrr06CXYzD2sVxXvoh-2Fw-2FVgqP0Ax6n-2Fe4zc5Cj1SubiamWAJ-2BBS4KqNMoeckGUM54qz-2FF9FGeVuMYfFJCNeJ-2FcZlbUgQSjoyPG93JVnX2527wnyk-2FUDgtbZBTtPfb961N9-2FNkxKf5-2FWuxtRz1bNVObuDHL5)>

### **Unholy Political Alliance**

As for his appearance before the Joint Session of Congress, arranged, ironically, by **Speaker John Boehner**, Pope Francis did not disappoint. As predicted, the Pope aligned himself with **President Obama** and, by extension, the **United Nations** on global warming, and hinted at global redistribution of wealth.

The Pope seemed unafraid to bash the **Republican views of his host**, Speaker

Boehner, while,

at the same time, appearing **loathe to criticize the Democrat left** -- many of whom are **pro-abortion catholic politicians** such as **Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, Secretary of State John Kerry, and Vice President Joe Biden.** (More on this later.)

**Please note:** While we are criticizing the Pope for the unnecessary politicization of economic and scientific issues on this trip, we praise him for his spiritual compassion -- especially evidenced by his visitations with the Little Sisters of the Poor, the imprisoned in Northeast Philadelphia, and victims of the church's child abuse sex scandal.

Below is the copy of a press release sent to media outlets on September 23 with a link to one of the articles that appeared as a result:

[http://www.pressofatlanticcity.com/features/pope\\_francis/group-condemns-pope-s-unholy-alliance-with-president-on-global/article\\_2ca2f03e-623b-11e5-98d3-9ff2e2188f28.html](http://www.pressofatlanticcity.com/features/pope_francis/group-condemns-pope-s-unholy-alliance-with-president-on-global/article_2ca2f03e-623b-11e5-98d3-9ff2e2188f28.html)

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For Immediate Release

**Group Condemns Pope's Unholy Political Alliance with President on Global Warming;  
Suggests Pontiff Weigh Both Sides in Dispute; Calls on Pope to Address American Spiritual Crisis**

Philadelphia (September 23, 2015) -- The Independence Hall Foundation, an organization with several thousand Catholic adherents, is condemning the "unholy political alliance" between Pope Francis and President Barack Obama regarding the issue of climate change as evidenced, earlier today, by the Pope's comments during a joint public appearance with the President on the White House lawn.

Fox news quoted Pope Francis as saying:

"Mr. President, I am finding it encouraging that you are proposing an initiative for reducing air pollution, accepting the urgency. It seems clear to me also that

climate change is a problem which can no longer be left to future generations. When it comes to the care of our common home we are living at a critical moment of history," Francis said to applause from the gathered crowd.

<http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2015/09/23/pope-francis-to-deliver-first-message-to-us-on-white-house-lawn/>  
<["Our organization does not deny the existence of climate change -- the earth's climate has undergone periods of warming and cooling since its inception," said Foundation spokeswoman, Teri Adams.](http://email.robly.com/mpss/c/0AA/IYwVAA/t.1qx/rO4iT58xRSKN3nj4rV6-g/h3/KsiAEUHSJOvs-2BX15iVa6YSxuthJdKH-2BNjeSYXJP-2BzX8vh5AatNmn9v77HAK2U44alX-2B-2BlpiyFICgHXRmelefCeOvyGw8lGrZkn6MMO7Smjop2CrOP1kwnhP3Hdiyo7lrUg8ky-2FcZFclwAjp-2B7Y-2FoiQ-3D-3D></a></p></div><div data-bbox=)

"We do, however, dispute the alarmism of most global warming activists, led by President Obama and Al Gore, who propose, as a solution, the carbon taxing of wealthier nations, such as the United States, and then the redistribution of those funds to poorer nations.

"The scheme would require the enforcement of a world body not unlike the United Nations. It would also cause enormous inflation, especially pertaining to energy costs, in the world's post-industrialized, industrialized, and developing nations.

"Our Foundation also disputes the notion that human activity is solely responsible for climate change," said Ms. Adams.

At a press conference, last Thursday, on Independence Mall, the Foundation was joined by experts from the Chicago-based think tank, The Heartland Institute, who opined that human activity is not causing a climate crisis.

The presser was held to debunk myths about the causes and consequences of global warming and to discuss erroneous Papal teachings on the climate and the nature of Capitalism, especially those espoused in the Pope's most recent encyclical, *Laudato Si'*.

"While we are not skeptical regarding the existence of climate change, we are skeptical of Pope Francis's political alignment with President Obama and United Nations officials whose alarmist positions on global warming are not settled science and whose remedies would bring about massive layers of government involvement -- including a new world governing authority," said Ms. Adams.

"There are two sides in this dispute. While a majority of scientists tend to agree