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HERBERT LONDON ADDRESSES THE RISE OF SECULARISM IN THE UNITED STATES

AMERICA'S SECULAR CHALLENGE

(BALTIMORE, MD) – **Herbert London** is the president of the Hudson Institute. London is a noted social critic, whose work has appeared in every major newspaper and journal, including *The Wall Street Journal*, *Commentary*, *National Review*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *New York Magazine*, *Investors Business Daily*, and *Forbes*. London is author and editor of 21 books, including *Myths that Rule America* (with Al Weeks). London shows that while secular humanism has its saints, sinners, and even its quasi-religious rituals, it is too anemic and self-centered a philosophy of life to serve America and the West in its battle against the threat of radical Islam.

WHO: Herbert London

WHAT: America's Secular Challenge

WHEN: Doors Open 6:30 PM, Thursday, October 30, 2008
Presentation 7:00 PM followed by dessert reception

WHERE:

University Club of Albany
141 Washington Ave (at Dove St)
Albany, NY 12210

Dr. London will suggest that the rise of secularism in the United States is a flaccid response to the challenge presented by the fanaticism of radical Islam. In the so-called war of ideas we are handicapped in our ability to thwart the inroads of fanaticism by a reflexive belief in relativism, one dimension of secular humanism. The rise of secular humanism not only challenges the traditional antecedent of the nation, it is an ineffective response to the challenge of Islam. The result? If you don't know what you believe in, you are unable to defend what is worthwhile.

The cost of the London presentation and Dessert is free for Harbour League members, \$5 for nonmembers. An RSVP is a must since seating is limited. Media covering this event should contact The Harbour League in advance.

The Harbour League has been host to a variety of speakers including former Speaker of the House *Newt Gingrich*, *National Review* senior editor *Ramesh Ponnuru*, *Washington Times* editorial page editor *Tony Blankley*, Conservative Commentator *Michelle Malkin*, Americans for Tax Reform President and Harbour League Trustee *Grover Norquist*, American Conservative Union Chairman and Harbour League Trustee *David Keene*, Hudson Institute President and Harbour League Trustee *Herb London*, *Deroy Murdock* and *Dr. Paul Hollander*.

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