

Description of Petition for Alternatives to the Death Penalty

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People of Faith Against the Death Penalty launched the Kairos Campaign to Mobilize Religious Action to Repeal North Carolina's Death Penalty in December 2011 with Kairos Campaign Chair Sr. Helen Prejean. A major component of the campaign is to garner tens of thousands of signatures from North Carolinians who want a safer future without the death penalty. We invite you to add your name to this growing list today by signing our petition for alternatives to the death penalty, which calls to repeal the death penalty and direct the savings to programs to help murder victims' family members and prevent violent crime.

The initial goals of the campaign also include more than 1,000 resolutions from faith communities, businesses, community groups and even local governments in every county in North Carolina. Additionally, the campaign involves a statewide letter for repeal from faith leaders and the formation of denominational task forces to promote the campaign within religious traditions. PFADP calls this the Kairos Campaign because *kairos* means a special time, an opportune moment. We believe that the time has come for people of faith and good will in North Carolina to raise their voices and say it is time we move forward to a new future without the death penalty.

As of July 14, 2012, more than 775 congregations, local businesses, and local governments in 95 North Carolina counties have passed PFADP's resolutions calling on North Carolina to replace the death penalty with life in prison without parole and to use the funds that would be saved to help murder victims' family members.

If you have questions or would like to get more involved with the Kairos Campaign, please contact the PFADP office at 919.933.7567 or info@pfadp.org. Thank you for your support!