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## **UUA PRESIDENT REV. PETER MORALES APPLAUDS CNN FOR MAINTAINING COMMITMENT TO JOURNALISM URGES COMPASSION, CONSIDERATION FOR ALL AMERICANS FROM DOBBS IN FUTURE CONTRIBUTIONS TO NATIONAL DISCUSSION**

WASHINGTON, DC – Today, the Rev. Peter Morales, the first Latino President of the [Unitarian Universalist Association](#) and spokesperson for [Standing on the Side of Love](#), issued the following statement in response to the resignation of longtime CNN anchor Lou Dobbs:

**“I am filled with hope and happiness to learn that Lou Dobbs has decided to take on, in his words, a more 'positive' and 'constructive' role in addressing the issues facing this country. I applaud the decision by Dobbs and CNN to stop his show’s misinformation and demagoguery that was dividing our country and pitting neighbor against neighbor. I also commend CNN on its enduring commitment to the highest integrity in its journalistic endeavors.**

**We must remember that all people, no matter where their origins, are children of God and have inherent worth and dignity. We are called to meet them with love and understanding, not the fear and exclusion that Dobbs stoked.**

**As people of faith, we pray that Lou Dobbs finds compassion and wisdom along his journey. Dobbs has tremendous capacity to further a constructive dialogue around a number of issues, especially immigration reform, and I hope that he will do so in his new role.”**

*Standing on the Side of Love is a campaign sponsored by the Unitarian Universalist Association and promotes respect for the inherent worth and dignity of every person. We believe that no person of any immigrant status, race, religion, gender and sexual orientation, ability level, or political view should be dehumanized through acts of exclusion, oppression, or violence.*

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