## Yankee Steve's Column

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## A Mosque You Say!

Muslim leaders in New York are planning a 14-story mosque and Islamic center within a stone's throw of Ground Zero. Over my dead body! Oops, let me rephrase. Muslims would like to use that as an excuse to do away with another American who is conscious of the fact that the religion of Islam does not belong in America. Islam cannot be harmonized with the U.S. Constitution or with the natural love most people feel for one another.

I have an idea. We should permit the mosque to be built and after it has been completed, New York firemen can draw straws to see which lucky soul will operate the drone that will fire upon and destroy it. Why not? If it is like many mosques in and around the world it will be used as a warehouse for weapons in the war against the infidel and/or as a platform for jihadist rhetoric.

Let's only take this action after we have dropped warning leaflets so that everyone evacuates the building first. After all we do not want to follow the example of Muslims who in the name of Allah, their desert deity, murdered 3,000 people on September 11, 2001 by flying planes into the Twin Towers. The thousands who perished on 9/11 would have been rescued by New York's finest, so let them operate the drone. It would bring closure to those who did not die alongside their comrades. That would really put the "joy" in joystick!

A Muslim girl was asked why she backed this project. She said that she wanted Americans to learn what the religion of Islam is all about. As far as I am concerned that is the very reason that I am opposed to the mosque. For one I would not want her to be added to a harem. If she marries a Muslim her husband has the right to have four wives. Nor would I want her children to grow up with the idea the Christian belief in the trinity is polytheistic, the lie that Muslims have been telling for centuries.

If you review this religion, you will discover that it is not attractive. I am not politically correct for saying that but this does not concern me since political INcorrectness places me in the company of some of the great men of history. I could provide the reader with an impressive list of notables who share my disdain for Islam and who were willing to speak their mind. However for now let us limit ourselves to President John Quincy Adams and Sir Winston Churchill.

In the seventh century of the Christian era, a wandering Arab of the lineage of Hagar [i.e., Muhammad], the Egyptian, . . . Adopting from the new Revelation of Jesus, the faith and hope of immortal life, and of future retribution, he humbled it to the dust by adapting all the rewards and sanctions of his religion to the gratification of the sexual passion. He poisoned the sources of human felicity at the fountain, by degrading the condition of the female sex and the allowance of polygamy; and *he declared undistinguishing and* 

exterminating war, as a part of his religion, against all the rest of mankind. THE ESSENCE OF HIS DOCTRINE WAS VIOLENCE AND LUST - TO EXALT THE BRUTAL OVER THE SPIRITUAL PART OF HUMAN NATURE . . . Between these two religions, thus contrasted in their characters, a war of twelve hundred years has already raged. The war is yet flagrant . . . While the merciless and dissolute dogmas of the false prophet shall furnish motives to human action, there can never be peace upon earth, and good will towards men. [emphasis added]

Winston Churchill held the same low opinion of Islam; he wrote,

How dreadful are the curses which Mohammedanism lays on its votaries! Besides the fanatical frenzy, which is as dangerous in a man as hydrophobia in a dog, there is this fearful fatalistic apathy. The effects are apparent in many countries. Improvident habits, slovenly systems of agriculture, sluggish methods of commerce, and insecurity of property exist wherever the followers of the Prophet rule or live.

A degraded sensualism deprives this life of its grace and refinement; the next of its dignity and sanctity. The fact that in Mohammedan law every woman must belong to some man as his absolute property, either as a child, a wife, or a concubine, must delay the final extinction of slavery until the faith of Islam has ceased to be a great power among men.

Individual Moslems may show splendid qualities, but the influence of the religion paralyzes the social development of those who follow it.

No stronger retrograde force exists in the world. Far from being moribund, Mohammedanism is a militant and proselytizing faith. It has already spread throughout Central Africa, raising fearless warriors at every step; and were it not that Christianity is sheltered in the strong arms of science, the science against which it had vainly struggled, the civilization of modern Europe might fall, as fell the civilization of ancient Rome. [Sir Winston Spencer Churchill, *The River War*, first edition, volume II, pages 248-50. London: Longmans, Green & Co., 1899.]

## To place a mosque right by Ground Zero would be like building a war memorial for Nazis at the gates of Auschwitz and Buchenwald.

So what does Mayor Bloomberg have to say about this? As you might have guessed he is all for it. That is why I have included a letter from *USATODAY* below.

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Verbatim letter to *USATODAY* printed on July 21, 2010 from Peter Gadiel whose 23-year-old son James was killed on the 103<sup>rd</sup> floor of the World Trade Center on 9/11 and who is now the president of **9/11 Families for a Secure America** 

"The proposed mosque near the site of the 9/11 mass murder is a continuation of Islam's violent history, which promotes destroying prior cultures and building on the ruins.

The gullible, like New York mayor Michael Bloomberg, swallow the lie that this latest memorial to the concept "convert or die" is different because . . . well because its chief promoter, Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf, says it's different.

Rauf - who tells U.S. media that funds for this atrocity will be raised in the United States but tells London's Arabic newspaper *Asharq Al-Awsat* that donations will also come from Arab and Islamic countries.

Perhaps the same Saudis who financed the 9/11 terrorists and build schools around the world in non-Muslim countries to spread the most violent strain of Islam?

We don't know, because the Islamic holy man won't tell us. And Bloomberg doesn't even think we should ask.

It's said opposition to the mosque unfairly slanders Muslims who haven't committed terrorist acts. Tough, I've seen the mass celebrations in Muslim countries over 9/11 and still await anything more than whispered pro-forma denunciations of terrorism by Muslim leaders.

After World War II, collective guilt was rigidly assigned to the people of Germany and Japan, even though not all were guilty of supporting terrorist governments, Muslims have given precious little reason to evade the same charge.

My German born parents - my Jewish father and Protestant mother - subscribed to the idea of collective guilt even though my Protestant relatives opposed and hated Hitler.

My father, who recognized the evil in Nazism early on, never forgave his sister Lotte, who refused to acknowledge the facts and who (as reported by her neighbors) waited docilely to be rounded up for shipment to the Auschwitz gas chambers. All his life, in sadness mixed with anger, he spoke of the millions who refused to see it until it was too late.

Bloomberg and the other supporters of the Mosque are spiritual heirs of Lotte and those millions of victims, seemingly ready to accept their fate. Those with a firmer grasp of history will oppose this mosque as a warning of what is to come."