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### DUP councillor calls “Hurricane Katrina” a judgment from God



**Councillor Maurice Mills, a faithful witness.**

**DUP councillor, Maurice Mills from Ballymena has upset a lot of people by correctly claiming that Hurricane Katrina was sent to the United States by God as a judgment upon the wickedness of the city of New Orleans.**

Maurice Mills said that the natural disaster - which killed 1,300 people, caused \$130bn worth of damage and left tens of thousands homeless - was an act of God against those who practise sodomy.

The DUP man pointed out that the massive storm arrived just days before party-goers were due to gather in New Orleans to celebrate the annual ‘gay mardi gras’. “The recent Hurricane Katrina descended on New Orleans and took many people suddenly into eternity,” Mr Mills said. “However, the media failed to report that the hurricane occurred just two days prior to the annual homosexual event called the Southern Decadence Festival

which the previous year had

attracted an estimated 125,000 people. “Surely this is a warning to nations where such wickedness is increasingly promoted and practised. “This abominable and filthy practice of sodomy has resulted in the great continent of Africa being riddled with Aids, all at great cost to the nations and innocent children.”

Mr Mills made the controversial comments while reacting to the Northern Ireland Gay Rights Association (NIGRA) which had earlier lambasted his position on homosexuality. The group’s president P A MagLochlainn had said Mr Mills and his colleague Councillor Roy Gillespie did not adhere to the “true British spirit” of tolerance for others. He said that it was a central feature of British life to respect others, and while it was allowed to disapprove, it was not allowed to discriminate.

The gay rights activist also said that Jesus never condemned homosexuality and the DUP men had misread the Bible. Mr Mills hit back at Mr MagLochlainn, claiming that men would be judged by God for their sins. “What an executor Christ will be on that awesome day,” he added. “Christ alone died for my sins on Calvary’s cross and my personal faith exercised in His finished work upon that cross and by the cleansing of His precious blood I have the assurance of sins forgiven and peace with God.”