



## Statement by México Republicano

### On the Use of Religious and Pre-Hispanic Rituals in the Swearing-In of New Justices

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México Republicano expresses its deep concern and rejection of the performance of pre-Hispanic religious rituals during the recent swearing-in ceremony of the new Justices of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation and of the Electoral Tribunal.

Beyond any cultural symbolism, these acts represent an open violation of the constitutional and legal framework that guarantees the secular, neutral, and republican nature of the Mexican State.

#### **Constitutional and Legal Provisions Violated:**

Article 40 of the Constitution: establishes that Mexico is a secular Republic.

Article 130 of the Constitution: enshrines the separation of Church and State and prohibits official acts from being mixed with religious practices.

#### **Law on Religious Associations and Public Worship:**

Article 2: the Mexican State may not establish any religion or use official acts to favor or undermine religious expressions.

Article 8: public and official ceremonies must be conducted with strict neutrality regarding any religious expression.

**Code of Ethics of the Federal Judiciary:** requires justices and judges to act with impartiality, independence, and respect for the constitutional framework, which excludes any expression of worship in the exercise of their duties.

#### **Risks and Worrying Effects:**

These acts are not mere cultural gestures: they represent the political instrumentalization of religious and ancestral symbols at the heart of republican institutions.

They send a divisive message to Mexican society by imposing rituals that do not reflect the plurality of citizens' beliefs.

They normalize the erosion of secularism from the very body entrusted with safeguarding the Constitution, setting a precedent for institutional and ethical breakdown.

#### **México Republicano Calls For:**

The Judiciary's Internal Oversight Office and the Federal Judiciary Council to initiate the corresponding administrative responsibility proceedings.



The Congress of the Union to review the pertinence of political liability sanctions for this constitutional violation.

Civil society organizations and legal associations to speak out against this dangerous drift that undermines the republican principle of neutrality and secularism.

### **Conclusion**

México Republicano reaffirms that secularism is a cornerstone of our Republic. Any attempt to impose religious symbols or rituals —whether Catholic, Evangelical, or Pre-Hispanic— in official acts constitutes an assault on the Constitution and on national unity.

The legitimacy of the justices derives from the law, not from religious rituals. Polarization and the misuse of sacred symbols must not define Mexico's institutional life.

México Republicano demands the enforcement of the corresponding sanctions and strict compliance with the Constitution.

**Sincerely.**  
**Freedom. Greatness. Strength.**

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