



I would like to see monument to holy martyr Hermogenes in Moscow's center (Patriarch Kirill)

Patriarch Kirill I, of Moscow and All Russia, believes that holy martyr Patriarch Hermogenes – the inspirer of the restoration of Russian statehood in 1612, deserves a monument in the heart of Moscow at the foot of the Kremlin wall.

“Very unfortunately, the name of that Patriarch was buried in oblivion. But his heroic deed stands in the same line as the exploits of the personalities as outstanding as the saint princes Alexander of the Neva and Dmitry of the Don [famous medieval Russian princes and military commanders – Itar-Tass], General Field Marshal Mikhail Kutuzov, and [Soviet] Marshal Georgy Zhukov,” the Patriarch said.

“Such a monument would restore historical justice, which consists in the fact that there would have been no homeland for us today and that Russia would have perished in the abyss of splits and feuds if His Holiness Hermogenes, as well as other hierarchs and clerics had not displayed courage by speaking out against lawlessness or if we had not had the Orthodox Christian faith, which stopped the scourge of fratricide.”

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