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Declaration of Reclamation
(with deepest apologies to Thomas Jefferson)

When in the course of a nation's history it becomes necessary for the citizens to rise up in protest against their government, so as to reclaim that which the government has unlawfully taken from them, which the laws of nature and nature's God entitle them, it is only fitting that they should declare their grievances that compel them to this action.

We reaffirm the self-evident truths upon which our nation was founded---that all individuals are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that foremost among these are Life, Liberty and Property, without which no people can be free. Furthermore, that this government was established such that its powers would be derived from the people, and that such power would be retained only with their consent; and that should such power be wielded against their consent so as to imperil these rights, it is the right and obligation of the people to oppose it in such a manner as to peacefully reclaim that which the government has taken from them. Prudence dictates that such action not be taken lightly nor upon heated impulse; and so it is with regret that we are compelled to pursue such action.

The history of this government over the past century is that of an ever-growing train of injuries against the citizens and the states through usurpations of power not granted it nor delegated to it by either the states or the people. This government has repeatedly eschewed the restraints placed upon it by the Constitution of these United States which gave to it its life and form. To prove this, let evidence be presented plainly so that unbiased eyes are unable to deny their legitimacy.

It has allowed the taking of our property in clear violation of the fourth amendment to the Constitution by it, as well as local and state governments, and private entities. Furthermore, it has promoted through its various agencies, regulations and rulings that have deprived us of our right to use and or dispose of our property as we deem fit.

It has instituted a tax system that denies us the right to be secure in our possessions by forcibly taking a portion of our income from us against our will, violating the Jeffersonian principle that "A wise and frugal Government, which shall restrain men from in- juring one another, which shall leave them otherwise free to regulate their own pursuits of industry and improvement, and shall not take from the mouth of labor the bread it has earned. This is the sum of good government, and this is necessary to close the circle of our felicities."

It has subjected us to warrantless and unreasonable search and seizures of our persons and property without probable cause.

It has failed to protect the states and their citizens from invasion by non-citizens, placing their lives and property at risk; instead, it has taken steps to prosecute those states which have assumed that responsibility in the place of this government.

It has stifled, through unconstitutional and unlegislated regulations, economic growth and the right of citizens and businesses to pursue lawful economic activities by denying them the liberty to conduct such lawful activities in the manner and place of their choosing, being subject only to the forces of a free marketplace.

It has destroyed the wealth of the nation through unsound monetary policies, by the printing of fiat paper money, unrestrained spending on unauthorized and unconstitutional programs, resulting in a level of national debt that threatens the very existence of our society.

It has enacted laws and permitted the bureaucracies to establish regulations either restricting our freedom to engage in commerce as we see proper, or in forcing us to participate in acts of commerce against our wishes and best judgment.

It has sanctioned the taking of the life of the defenseless, and forced those opposed to such acts to support it out of the taxes confiscated from them.

It has failed to equally enforce laws for the sake of political correctness, thus creating injustice, and sowing discord and enmity among the citizenry.

It threatens to deny our first amendment rights to the freedom of following our religious conscience, the exercising of our freedom of speech and expression of grievances against it, as well as our right to privacy from intrusion by it.

It has passed legislation that threatens us with unlawful detention and the loss of citizenship without warrant or reasonable cause. This legislation, furthermore, would deny us the right of a writ habeas corpus, the right of due process, and the right to a speedy trial by jury, thus inflicting upon us cruel and unusual punishment.

It has promoted policies designed to divide us a sunder, pitting one group of citizens against another

It has enslaved a large portion of our fellow citizens by seducing them to become dependent upon it for their sustenance, robbing them of their dignity and self-reliance, and doing so by re-distributing the earnings of others against their will.

It has conducted wars that were without proper authority, or in our national interest or self-defense.

Throughout the years in which this government has conducted these activities and others against us, we have repeatedly voiced our disapproval; and yet our petitions for redress have been answered only by repeated and further encroachments. A government populated by those so deaf to the cries of their fellow citizens, so callous to the constitutional principles of freedom and liberties, is unfit to garner the respect and further support of the people, as it has become a tyranny.

Therefore, we, the people of these United States, by the authority guaranteed us by the Constitution and our original Declaration of Independence, do hereby reject and renounce all unconstitutional acts and entities promulgated by this government, and do hereby serve notice to those in power who would deny us our unalienable rights, that it is not we who declare war against you, but rather it is you who have been warring against us for more than a century; that we will, unlike our forefathers who took up arms to lay hold of their freedom, instead oppose you in the caucuses; we will defeat you at the ballot box; we will besiege you on every front in town meetings, in the halls of congress, and in the press until once again, with the help of Almighty God, we reclaim that which you have wrenched from us, and we once again are a free people, a republic, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

To this we pledge our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor. 4

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