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## A Declaration from the citizenry of the United States of America

Two hundred and thirty-three years have passed since Thomas Jefferson penned the immortal words that so succinctly and eloquently state the innate understanding of our relationship to each other and to the Divine:

*We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.*

These thirty-five words are recorded for posterity to set forth the conditions by which Governments may justly exist, and by which conditions Governments may be justly abolished. And so Jefferson continued:

*That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, — That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness.*

Our Founders were students of history and of human nature. They knew it was in our temperament to bear unjust burdens rather than be a force for change against the injustices perpetrated by Governments. Jefferson acknowledged this by writing:

*Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed.*

But the Founders understood that there comes a moment in the course of human events when the evils that men are forced to endure can no longer be suffered, and that firm action must be rightfully taken by the citizenry to restore the unalienable Rights that were usurped by unjust men. This moment *had* arrived in 1776, and so Jefferson stated for the world to hear that the repressions inflicted by the Crown of England would be endured no more:

*But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security. — Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government.*

Tyranny has once again spread its oppressive hand across our sacred land; a despotism that permanently endangers the liberty our Founders fought to establish, and the liberty that previous generations sacrificed blood and treasure to secure. The last four-score-year history of our National Government is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over the sovereign States and our free people. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world:

Our National Government has passed Laws compelling Us to surrender a portion of our salaries to a National retirement fund, then recklessly squanders our pensions and renders our funds bankrupt.

It has unlawfully imprisoned in concentration camps thousands of our fellow citizens of Japanese ancestry, denying them all manner of liberty and granting to them only that required for basic human existence.

Its Judiciary has decreed as lawful the confiscation of our private property without just compensation when such confiscation is deemed not for the public good, but solely for the purpose of enriching Government treasure.

It has circumvented the will of the people by appointing Judges who are dependent on Its will alone for the tenure of their offices and the amount and payment of their salaries, and then encumbers upon Us by decree through Its Judicial appointees those policies We reject through our legislatures.

It has stolen billions in treasure from the Indian Trust Fund, denying our Native American brethren that which is rightfully theirs, and through policy keeps them in a state of impoverishment, perpetually dependent upon Its arbitrary will and authority for sustenance.

It conspires with public unions who earn their salaries from our labor, and private special interests, to pass Laws whose primary purpose is to separate Us from our liberty and our property.

It has usurped authority over public education and uses the educational institutions to corrupt the intellect of our children against our Founding Principles, our society, and in support of Its own oppressive ambitions.

It has usurped the power of our State Legislatures, declaring Itself invested with power to legislate for Us on matters affecting State Sovereignty, and encumbers upon Sovereign States to impose and collect taxes for Its mandates.

It refuses to secure our borders and enforce Its own immigration laws, harasses our State and local Officers if they enact measures to protect our Sovereign territory, and burdens Us with directives to

provide for the sustenance and general welfare of foreign peoples who enter our communities illegally, all for the explicit purpose of altering the public electorate and spreading Its despotism over new citizenry.

It prohibits Us from exercising our religious freedom, by banning from public those symbols and expressions of our faith, including the religious markers used to adorn the graves and monuments of our honored dead who sacrificed their lives in defense of our liberty and our Constitution.

It has erected a multitude of New Offices without our consent, staffs them with Officers who are not accountable to the citizenry for their tenure, and sends hither swarms of these Officers to harass Us and eat out our substance.

It has combined with others to subject Us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving Its Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation.

It has imposed Taxes on Us without our Consent.

Its Officers legislate salaries and benefits for their own pleasure and that of their agents and use the public treasury to luxuriate in a style befitting a King, while We citizenry toil meagerly under the heavy burden of taxation to feed Its gluttony.

It has imposed debts on Us, our children, and our childrens' children, and in so doing, destroys our currency and tethers future unborn generations to Its Tyranny without their consent.

It has excited domestic insurrections amongst Us based on our race, our gender, and our financial standing to weaken our unity of purpose in opposing Its Tyranny.

It has further agitated domestic insurrections against our industry, our commerce, and our pursuits for the purpose of turning citizen against citizen, and seizing the private property justly derived from our commerce and our industry.

It has threatened with fines and trade restrictions the Sovereign Nations to which our fellow citizens flee to avoid Its Tyranny, unless these Sovereign Nations and their private institutions violate their own people's Constitution and comply with Its unjust demands.

For all these Offences and more, It has acted beyond the scope of Its Constitutional Authority and in direct violation of our Constitutional Rights. In every stage of these Oppressions, We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury, for It now:

Uses the Offices of Its own design to investigate and harass We citizenry who speak out against Its Tyranny.

Plans with Its complicit agents in the press to propagandize against Us by misrepresenting our grievances, our character, and to generally malign Us to turn public opinion against Us.

Uses the public treasury to mobilize, train, and fund Its various surrogate organizations to pursue Us, to intimidate Us, to criminally assault Us, and to report our protests against Its actions to Its various agents, all in a manner consistent with the most oppressive regimes known throughout human history.

Conspires to deny Us our *Life*, our *Liberty*, and our *pursuit of Happiness* by making Us dependent upon Its authority and Its treasury, seized from Us, for the most basic of our needs, and in so doing, seeks to adjudicate to Itself that which was bestowed by our Creator.

A Government, whose character is thus marked by every act that may define Tyranny is unfit to represent a free people; Its Officers have abandoned their Oath and now scheme to rule over Us.

*We the People* of the United States of America, therefore, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do solemnly publish and declare that We will use all non-violent means within our power to organize and purge the Tyranny of this National Government from our land and restore It to the Constitutional Charter. We further declare that our State Legislatures take action to affirmatively declare our Sovereignty; that our States reject all National mandates, funded or not, as permitted by the Tenth Amendment to our Constitution, since these mandates have as their design the subjugation of the States and We citizenry to the despotic ambitions of the National Government; that our State Legislatures repeal the Sixteenth Amendment to our Constitution and devise a just policy to fund only those Offices of the National Government that are stipulated by the Constitution, for it is through the confiscated fruits of our own labor that the National Government secures the means to organize against Us and impose Its despotism upon Us; that our State Legislatures repeal the Seventeenth Amendment to our Constitution, for our Senators are no longer beholden to doing the people's business of our States, but instead suckle at the teats of national parties and their special interests; that failure by our State Legislatures to heed our Declaration will result in their lawful removal, for it is We the people who rightfully own this Government; that until such time as our State Legislatures organize to act on our behalf, We will lawfully remove from Office all National Government officials and agents who violate our Constitution; that it shall be our Right and our duty, to engage in civil disobedience against any and all Laws passed by the National Government that exceed Its Constitutional Authority. — And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, We mutually pledge to each other and to generations not yet born that We shall restore this Republic to its Constitutional Founding and that We will relentlessly endeavor to bequeath to the next generation a Nation where all citizens, living peacefully together, shall be free from the bonds of this Tyranny, unfettered to exercise those unalienable Rights declared by Thomas Jefferson and bestowed by our God.

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