

A Declaration of the People of the United States

When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for a people to reaffirm their commitment to democracy and to separate themselves from those who seek to subvert the will of the people, a decent respect to the opinions of humankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to such reaffirmation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all people are created equal; that they are endowed not by myth or monarch, but by their humanity, with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Justice.

That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among People, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

That whenever any leader becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to resist, to speak out, to organize, and to demand accountability, laying a foundation on principles that ensure their future security and liberty.

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

But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce the nation under absolute autocracy, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such leadership and to provide new Guards for their future security.

Such has been the patient sufferance of the people of the United States; and such is now the necessity which constrains us to denounce the return of Donald J. Trump, whom we name not as a president, but as a would-be tyrant, whose ambition mirrors that of the monarchs from whom our forebears broke free.

To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

He has sought to overturn the results of a free and fair election, pressuring state officials, inciting insurrection, and defying the peaceful transfer of power.

He has surrounded himself with sycophants and loyalists while undermining institutions meant to provide impartial justice and oversight.

He has attacked a free press, branding dissenting voices as enemies of the people, and encouraged the spread of disinformation to weaken public trust.

He has used the office of the presidency for personal gain, violating the Emoluments Clause and enriching himself and his family while in power.

He has incited violence against political opponents, encouraged white supremacy, and sown division in a country that cries out for healing.

He has ignored the rule of law, defied congressional subpoenas, and attempted to place himself above all systems of accountability.

He has turned federal agencies into tools of retribution, directing investigations not in service of justice, but vengeance.

He has promised retribution and dictatorship should he return to power, boasting of intentions to dismantle democratic norms and consolidate control.

He has disrespected military leaders, Gold Star families, and the sacrifices made in defense of liberty, all while cloaking himself in false patriotism.

He has denied science, bungled national emergencies, and endangered millions for the sake of ego and optics.

He has endeavored to suppress the vote, intimidate poll workers, and manipulate electoral processes to entrench minority rule.

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. A leader whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a tyrant is unfit to govern a free people.

We have appealed to our elected representatives and to our courts. We have marched, spoken, organized, and voted. Yet the danger persists, not only in the man, but in the movement of extremism he has unleashed and continues to lead.

We, therefore, the People of the United States of America, appealing to the judgment of a just world, do solemnly publish and declare:

That we will not yield our democracy to a single man or movement.

That we reaffirm our commitment to a nation governed by the rule of law, by equity, and by the consent of the governed.

That we will resist tyranny in every form — with our voices, our votes, our communities, and our courage.

And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the integrity of democracy and the resilience of the people, we mutually pledge to each other our time, our efforts, and our unwavering belief in a better future.