

The New Declaration of Independence from the Two-Party System

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When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for the people of a nation to break free from the political structures that no longer serve them, and to reclaim their rightful power as citizens, respect for the opinions of the Nation demands that they explain why.

We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all people are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights — including life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That governments, and the political systems that shape them, exist to protect these rights, deriving their just power from the consent of the governed. That whenever a political system becomes corrupt, entrenched, and destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it, and to establish new systems that better reflect their needs, values, and hopes.

Prudence indeed will dictate that political systems long established should not be changed for light or fleeting causes; and experience has shown that people are often more willing to endure frustrations and disappointments than to challenge deeply rooted systems. But when a long train of abuses and failures shows a clear pattern of placing party loyalty, corporate interests, and political survival over the rights of individuals, it is the right — it is the duty — of the people to throw off such systems, and to create new political pathways for their future.

The history of the Democratic and Republican Parties is a history of repeated failures to address the needs of the people and repeated prioritization of power over principle. To prove this, let facts be submitted to a candid world:

- They have entrenched a two-party monopoly that stifles competition, suppresses alternative voices, and denies voters meaningful choice;
- They have fueled bitter polarization, dividing communities, families, and the nation, not for the people's benefit, but for their own political gain;

- They have prioritized corporate donors and special interests over the needs of working people, and small businesses;
- They have acted unconstitutionally on unsubstantiated threats like climate change, economic inequality, healthcare access, and gun violence, to limit individual freedom.
- They have undermined trust in our republican form of government by gerrymandering, facilitating voter fraud, and introducing reforms like ranked-choice voting and campaign finance fraud.
- They have made performative gestures while avoiding meaningful structural change, focusing on political point-scoring instead of solving problems.
- They have weaponized fear, misinformation, and media echo chambers to manipulate public opinion and cling to power.
- They have made it nearly impossible for independent or third-party candidates to compete on a level playing field, locking the system to their advantage.

We have called upon them, time and again, to reform — to open the political process, to listen to the voices of the people, to place country over party. But they have responded with gridlock, empty promises, or further entrenchment. A political establishment that refuses accountability and change is no longer fit to lead a free people.

We, therefore, the independent citizens of the United States, do solemnly declare that we are free and independent from the Democratic and Republican Parties — that we do not recognize any monopoly they think they have over our lives; that we claim the right to build new parties and movements, to support independent candidates, and to restore our republic to truly reflect constitutional principles.

And for the support of this declaration, with firm reliance on the principles of justice, equality, and self-determination, we mutually pledge to each other our time, our energy, and our unwavering commitment to a better future.