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Ladies and gentlemen, I've come a long way to get here and I have such a short time to be with you. So, let's just get everything out on the table right now, shall we?

I believe the American people and their every action, are being ruled, regulated, restricted, licensed, registered, directed, checked, inspected, measured, numbered, counted, rated, stamped, censured, authorized, admonished, refused, prevented, drilled, indoctrinated, monopolized, extorted, robbed, hoaxed, fined, harassed, disarmed, dishonored, fleeced, exploited, assessed, and taxed to the point of suffocation and desperation.

America is drowning in a sea of rules and regulations, particularly under the guise of "saving the environment." We all know something is very wrong and we are trying to fix it.

Many in America attempt to fight against one issue or another as they try to understand what is happening to their country. But most fail to see the whole picture and are being crushed under a well organized "divide and conquer" tactic that keeps them reeling from crisis to crisis.

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T o n i g h t , I'm going to try to give you at least a peek at the all-encompassing, gut wrenching national transformation that we face -- and

hopefully, help to lift the veil of confusion.

QUESTIONS FOR LOCAL POLITICIANS

To put things in perspective, here are some questions every American should ask their elected officials – especially those supporting "climate change" legislation.

If it is proven that climate change is not man-made, but natural, will you be relieved and excited to know that man is off the hook?

We've been terrorized into accepting that human society was on the brink of extinction because of man-made global warming. We've been warned that, unless we take drastic action to reverse it – then islands will disappear, whole cities will be destroyed and polar bears will drown.

So, if it's not true, will you now help to remove all of the draconian regulations passed during the global warming hysteria? Will you help to restore our Republic with common sense and sound economics?

Their answers to these questions should be very illuminating as to the true agenda they seek to impose.

If they are supporting climate change legislation because of a genuine concern for the environment, then they should now be greatly relieved to know that true science is showing more and more evidence that there is no man-made global warming, and in fact, a natural cooling period has begun.

MAN-MADE GLOBAL WARMING... A DEAD ISSUE

I have just returned from one of the most important Climate Change conferences ever held. Sponsored by the Heartland Institute, more than 700 scientists from all over

the world came together to testify that man-made Global Warming does not exist.

In their own words these scientists tell us that a short warming period in the 1990s was from natural causes.

Harvard scholar and climate scientist Willie Soon said it best in a recent article he titled, *"It's the Sun, stupid."*

Dr. Mark Campbell, professor of chemistry at the U.S. Navel Academy in Annapolis recently wrote, *"The sky is not burning, and to claim that it is amounts to journalistic malpractice."*

Said U.S. Government atmospheric scientist Stanley B. Goldenberg, *"It is a blatant lie put forth in the media that makes it seem there is only a fringe of scientists who don't buy into anthropogenic Global Warming."*

In the past year, more than 650 scientists from around the world have now expressed their doubts. That's 12 times the number of UN IPCC Global Warming alarmists.

Top that with the fact that more than 31,000 American scientists have signed a petition saying there is no convincing scientific evidence that human release of carbon dioxide, methane, or other greenhouse gases is causing disruption of the Earth's climate.

Of course most of the hysteria has been fueled by Al Gore's Oscar-winning, Nobel Prize-winning film "An Inconvenient Truth," which almost every American school student has been forced to watch endless times in their classroom.

Well guess what, the government of Great Britain just ruled that the film cannot be shown in English classrooms unless it carries a disclaimer that says the film is full of mistakes and propaganda.

An overwhelming majority of scientist are now telling us that investigative research shows any warming actually stopped in 1999. And, in fact, they say the brief warming period we experienced in the past decade was completely natural, caused in part by storms on the sun, not CO2 emissions from SUVs. The sun storms have ended and now a cooling period has begun.

That's it. Done. Crisis over. Man is not to blame. Hurray! The nation should be rejoicing. No need for expensive green cars, mercury-filled light bulbs, special home building materials, expensive alternative energy, no bird-killing windmills, no special energy taxes, no extra government oversight committees, no more global Climate Change conferences – and no need for a Climate Czar. Carol Browner can go back into mothballs.

We can finally clean out the ten feet of fuel on the bottom of the forests and prevent the massive forest fires. We can re-establish the timber industry and all the jobs that were killed.

We can drill American oil and end our dependency on foreigners who hate us. In fact, that stable source of energy and prices will help restore the Detroit auto industry and all of those jobs. And it will help us to stop funding terrorists.

What's not to like about drilling American oil?

Why, we didn't need a stimulus package after all – the economy will rebound

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on its own.

We are free. The environment is not in crisis. Rejoice! Rejoice!

THAT SILENCE YOU HEAR...

That silence you hear is the news media, which refuses to report what any skeptic has to say.

That silence you hear is the lack of effort on Capitol Hill to start to pull back from the Climate Change hysteria.

That silence you hear is from the White House where President of Change, Barack Obama now has an EPA director, a Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) director and a full-blown Climate Change Czar, all working to impose huge cut backs in energy use, with more taxes, and more rules and regulations that will bring an already damaged economy to its knees – all in the name of man-made Global Warming – which doesn't exist.

...And that silence you hear is from global corporations which have bought into Al Gore's lie and invested heavily in the promised green economy.

In fact, their dollars are the only thing green about any of it. Their commercials are promoting the lies and changing our way of life. "Going Green" is the mantra of the day. None of them are about to change any of these policies, simply to accommodate a few inconvenient scientific facts.

In spite of all the evidence to the contrary, in spite of literally thousands of real scientists joining the ranks of the skeptics, Gore just told Congress that the Global Warming crisis is even worse than predicted.

Obama, our newly crowned king said, "The science is settled."

Why do they continue to promote a lie? Because Global Warming never was about protecting the environment.

It's nothing more than the excuse to enforce global governance on the planet by creating a new global economy based on the environment rather than on goods and services.

A NEW ECONOMY BASED ON CARBON

In fact, the most important debate in the history of the United States is about to begin – it's the battle over

a completely new economic system based on Climate Change called Cap and Trade.

It should be called Tax and Trade as it will force up the price of every item created or run by energy from gasoline to toothpaste to natural gas to hotel rooms.

Cap and Trade will throw out the old system of a free market based on goods and services and operate on the idea that CO2 is a pollutant.

Instead of money, wealth will be determined on how many government-issued emission permits you own to allow you to operate your business.

In short, it's all about wealth redistribution. Your wealth into a green rat hole.

During the Cold War, communists tried to get us to surrender our liberties and way of life for the wisdom of Karl Marx. Americans didn't buy it.

But now, they have taken the same clap trap and wrapped it all in a nice green blanket, scaring us with horror stories about the human destruction of the environment – and so we are now throwing our liberties on the bon fire like a good-old-fashioned book burning -- all in the name of protecting the planet.

It sounds so friendly. So meaningful. So urgent. But, the devastation to our liberty and way of life is the same as if Lenin ordered it.

MARX WOULD HAVE LOVED IT

You know, we have a new language invading our government at all levels. Old words with new meanings fill government policy papers. The typical city council meeting discusses "community development," "historic preservation," and "partnerships" between the city and private business.

Civic leaders organize community meetings run by "facilitators," as they outline a "vision" for the town, enforced by "consensus." No need for debate when you have consensus! People of great importance testify before congressional committees of the dire need for "social justice."

Free trade, social justice, consensus, global truth, partnerships, preservation, stakeholders, land use, environmental protection, development, preserving, diversity, visioning, open space, heritage, comprehensive

planning, critical thinking, and community service are all part of our new language.

What are they really talking about? What mental pictures come to mind when those words are used? George Orwell realized that those who control language well enough to manipulate key phrases can control policy.

The language is being changed and manipulated to quietly implement a very destructive policy. One outlined in an UN soft-law document called Agenda 21, first revealed at the UN's Earth Summit in 1992. The working name is Sustainable Development.

Rather than good management of resources, Sustainable Development has come to mean denied use, resources locked away from human hands. In short, it has become a code word for an entire economic and social agenda.

I have spent most of the past 12 years studying every facet of this new political agenda which is fast becoming a revolution -- touching every aspect of our businesses, our public education system, our personal property, our families and our individual lives.

Interestingly, it is not a Republican or Democrat issue. It's not liberal or conservative. It is being implemented on a purely bipartisan basis. It is now the official policy of the United States, put in force by literally every department of the government. It is the official policy of every state government, and nearly every city, town and county in the nation.

However, accepting the perception that Sustainable Development is simply good environmental stewardship is a serious and dangerous mistake.

THE EVIL YOU FACE - SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

So what is Sustainable Development? The Sustainablists insist that society be transformed into feudal-like governance by making *nature* the central organizing principle for our economy and society.

To achieve this, Sustainablism policy focuses on three components; global land use, global education, and global population control.

Keep in mind that America is the only country in the world based on the ideals of private property. But, private property is incompatible with the collectivist premise of Sustainable Development.

If you doubt that, then consider this quote from the report of the 1976 UN's Habitat I conference which said: "*Land ...cannot be treated as an ordinary asset, controlled by individuals and subject to the pressures and inefficiencies of the market. Private land ownership is also a principle instrument of accumulation and concentration of wealth, therefore, contributes to social injustice.*"

Another word for social justice, by the way, is Socialism. Karl Marx was the first to coin the phrase "social justice."

Some officials try to pretend that Sustainable Development is just a local effort to protect the environment. Just your local leaders putting together a local vision for the community. Have you heard that one?

Then ask your local officials how it is possible that the exact language and tactics for implementation of Sustainable Development are being used in every city from Lewiston, Maine to Singapore. Local indeed.

Sustainable Development is the process by which America is being reorganized around a central principle of state collectivism using the environment as bait.

In fact, the policy involves every aspect of our daily lives from food processing and consumption, to health care, to community development, to education, to labor, and much more.

The best way to understand what Sustainable Development actually is can be found by discovering what is NOT sustainable.

According to the UN's Biodiversity Assessment Report, items for our everyday lives that are NOT sustainable include: *Ski runs, grazing of livestock, plowing of soil, building fences, industry, single family homes, paved and tarred roads, logging activities, dams and reservoirs, power line construction, and economic systems that fail to set proper value on the environment (capitalism, free markets).*

Maurice Strong, Secretary General of the UN's Rio Earth Summit in 1992 said, "*...Current lifestyles and consumption patterns of the affluent middle class – involving high meat intake, use of fossil fuels, appliances, home and work air-conditioning, and suburban housing are not sustainable.*"

Are you starting to see the pattern behind Cap and

Trade, the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act, and all of those commercials you're forced to watch about the righteousness of Going Green?

Perhaps you are beginning to notice such changes as you go about your daily routine – but haven't understood where those changes and the ideas behind them are coming from. There are Sustainable Development papers, guidelines and regulations to impose the ruling principle:

- **On our public education system** – to prepare our children to live in a sustainable world.
- **On our economy** – to create partnerships between business and government, making sure business becomes a tool to help implement the policies.
- **On the environment** – leading to controls on private property and business.
- **On health care** – the new drive against obesity is leading directly toward controls on what we eat.
- **On farming** – Sustainable Development policies affect farmers' ability to produce more crops by regulating precious chemicals, land and water use.
- **On our social and cultural environment** – where political correctness is controlling policy-hiring practices, immigration policy, multiculturalism, marriage laws, and even restrictions on what we can say in open society.
- **On our mobility** – with emphasis on carpools and public transportation.
- **And on public safety** – where the rule of law and the court system are being challenged by new laws and regulations that affect the right to privacy and unreasonable search and seizures.

It is important to understand that these leading issues we face today are not just random concerns that accidentally find their way into the forefront of political debate. They are all interconnected to the policies of Sustainable Development and the restructuring of our way of life.

Sustainable Development policy is built on something called the "precautionary principle." That means that any activities that *might* threaten human health or the environment should be stopped -- even if no clear cause and effect relationship has been established – and even if the potential threat is largely theoretical.

That makes it easy for any activist group to issue warnings by news release or questionable report and have those warnings quickly turned into public policy – just in case.

FOUR PATHS TO SUSTAINABLE TYRANNY

So how is this wrenching transformation being put into place?

There are four very specific routes being used.

In the rural areas it's called the Wildlands Project.

In the cities it's called Smart Growth.

In business it's called Public/Private Partnerships.

And in government it's called Stakeholder Councils and Non-elected Boards.

The Wildlands Project was the brainchild of, Earth First's, Dave Foreman and it literally calls for the "re-wilding" of 50% of all the land in every state – back to the way it was before Christopher Columbus set foot on this land.

It is a diabolical plan to herd humans off the rural lands and into human settlements. Crazy you say! Yes. Impossible? Not so fast.

From the demented mind of Foreman, the plan became the blueprint for the UN's Biodiversity Treaty. So now the scheme is international in scope.

But how do you remove people from the land? One step at a time.

Begin with a biosphere reserve. A National Park will do. A huge place where there is no human activity. How about Yellowstone National Park?

Then you establish a buffer zone around the reserve. Inside the buffer, only limited human activity is allowed. Slowly, you squeeze until you squash that human activity.

Once accomplished, you extend the area of the biosphere to the limits of the former buffer area – and then you create a new buffer zone around the now larger biosphere and start the process over again.

In that way, the Biosphere Reserve acts like a cancer cell, ever expanding, until all human activity is stopped.

And there are many tools in place to stop human activity. Push back livestock's access to river banks on ranches, 300 feet ought to do it. When the cattle can't

reach the stream, the rancher can't water them. He goes out of business.

Lock away natural resources by creating National Parks. It shuts down the mines and they go out of business.

Invent a Spotted Owl shortage and pretend it can't live in a forest where timber is cut. Shut off the forest. Then, when no trees are cut, there's nothing to feed the mills, then there are no jobs and they go out of business. Locked-away land cuts the tax base. Eventually the town dies.

Keep it up and there is nothing to keep the people – so they head to the cities. The wilderness grows – just like Dave Foreman planned.

It comes in many names and many programs. Heritage Areas, land management, wolf and bear reintroduction, rails to trails, conservation easements, open space, and many more.

Each of these programs is designed to make it just a little harder to live on the land – a little more expensive – a little more hopeless. Now tell me how that process is not herding people to human habitat areas?

Today, here in your area, the latest Wildlands scheme you face is called Yellowstone to Yukon or Y2Y.

The **second** path is called Smart Growth. After they herd you into the city, they have more plans for you in regimented and dense urban communities.

They put a line around the city and tell you no growth can take place outside that line. They refuse to build more roads as a ploy to get you out of your car into public transportation, restricting mobility. There is a shortage of houses, so prices go up. Populations will have to be controlled, because now there is a shortage of land.

Inside the human habitat areas, government is controlled by an elite ruling class called Stakeholder Councils. These are mostly Non-Governmental Organizations or NGOs who have staked their claim to implement their own private agendas.

Third, using the facilitated consensus tactic, which controls discussion and debate, elected officials are pressured into creating non-elected boards and councils – even large non-elected regional governments that have the power to dictate policy. Few votes are taken.

The function of legitimate government within the system will be simply to enforce the dictates of the councils.

These councils fit almost perfectly the definition of a State Soviet: a system of councils that report to an apex council and that implement a predetermined outcome. Soviets are the operating mechanism of a government-controlled economy.

The **fourth** path is Public/Private Partnerships. Today, many freedom organizations are presenting that PPPs are free enterprise and a private answer for keeping taxes down and using business to make a better society.

In truth, many PPPs are nothing more than government-sanctioned monopolies in which a few businesses are granted special favors like tax breaks, the power of eminent domain, non-compete clauses and specific guarantees for return on their investments. That means they can charge what they want and they can use the power of government to put their competition out of business.

That is not free enterprise. And it is these global corporations today that are pushing the green agenda.

For example, using government to ban its own product, General Electric is forcing the mercury-laden green light bulb on you, costing 5 times the price of incandescent bulbs. Such is the reality of green industry.

PPP's are building the Trans Texas Corridor, using eminent domain to take more than 580,000 acres of private land - sanctioned by the partnership with the Texas government. And PPP's are taking over highways and local water treatment plants in communities across the nation.

It is not free enterprise, but a Mussolini-type fascism that will only lead to tyranny. And it's all driven by the Agenda 21 blueprint of Sustainable Development.

LOCAL COMMUNITIES TARGETED BY THE UN

Truly, Sustainable Development is designed to change our way of life. Local communities are now being targeted by international forces. Here's how

In June 2005, I reported on the UN's efforts to recruit the nation's mayors to directly impose Sustainable Development policy into our local communities. The mayors were invited to attend the UN's World Environment Day conference in San Francisco.

The mayors weren't there to simply discuss policy, they actually committed to an agenda with specific goals.

As part of their participation, the mayors were pressed to commit to specific legislation and policy goals

by signing a slate of UN accords. Two documents were presented for the mayors' signature.

The first document was called the Green Cities Declaration, produced by the United Nations Environment Programme. This document was essentially a statement of principles which set the agenda for the mayors' assigned tasks.

The Declaration is amazingly bold in that it details exactly how the UN intends to implement a very specific agenda in every town and city in the nation.

The final line of the Declaration explained the UN's goal very explicitly: "*Signatory cities shall work to implement the following Urban Environment Accords. Each year cities shall pick three actions to adopt as policies or laws.*"

That leads to the second document signed by the mayors, called the "Urban Environment Accords." The document included exactly 21 specific actions (as in Agenda 21), for the mayors to take -- controlled by a time table for implementation.

For example, under the topic of energy, action item number 1 called for the mayors to implement a policy to increase the use of "renewable" energy by 10% within seven years. Energy action item numbers 2 and 3 dealt with reducing energy consumption.

These action items are classic examples of the UN trying to go around the U.S. Congress and federal energy policy and force a back-door implementation of the UN's Kyoto Accord, which the U.S. has never ratified.

Perhaps the most egregious action item offered in the Urban Environmental Accords dealt with the topic of water. Action item number 19 called for adoption and implementation of a policy to reduce individual water consumption by 10% by 2020.

Interestingly, the UN document begins by stating: "*Cities with potable water consumption greater than 100 liters per capita per day will adopt and implement policies to reduce consumption by 10% by 2015.*"

There is no scientific basis for the 100 liter figure other than to employ a very clever use of numbers to lower the bar and control the debate over water consumption.

One must be aware that 100 liters is equal to about 26 GALLONS per person, per day. According to the UN, each person should have less than 26 gallons each day

to drink, bathe, flush toilets, wash clothes, water lawns, wash dishes, cook, take care of pets, and more.

According to the U.S. Geological Survey, Americans actually need about 100 GALLONS per day to perform these basic life functions. The use of the 100 liters number versus 100 gallons is a direct attempt to mislead and actually cut water use by 75%.

Consider also that there is no specific water shortage in most parts of the United States. Water is not an international issue -- it is a very local one.

The rest of the Accords deal with a variety of subjects including waste reduction, recycling, transportation, health and nature, as stated - issues literally dealing with every aspect of our lives.

Perhaps the most outrageous promise of action by the mayors is action item number 16, in which they agreed, "*Every year identify three products, chemicals, or compounds that are used within your city that represents the greatest risk to human health and adopt a law or eliminate their sale and use in the city.*"

There you have it. The mayors had to promise to ban something every year. Yep, that's the UN's version of a free society.

But here are some questions for the mayors. What if there isn't a "chemical or compound" that poses a risk? What if the community actually needs them? What if jobs are at stake? What about private property or free enterprise?

Not a consideration. The mayor has gotta ban something anyway -- he signed an agreement. That's not to be taken lightly, with environmental protection at stake.

CREATING POLLUTION TO ENFORCE THE LAW

Consider this bit of real life insanity as an example of how serious it can get. In the 1990s, Anchorage, Alaska had some of the most pristine water in the nation. It literally had no pollution.

Yet, because of government-mandated clean water standards, the federal government ordered the city to meet strict federal rules that required the city to remove a certain percentage of pollution from its water. The city simply couldn't do it because there wasn't that amount of pollution to be removed. But the government insisted that the law be upheld -- no exceptions.

Therefore, in order to meet the federal requirements

(and avoid huge fines or jail terms) Anchorage city officials were forced to pollute its pristine water by dumping fish parts into it so they could then clean out the required quota.

So, it is not far fetched to say that, if your mayor has to ban the ink in your fountain pen to meet his quota – ban it he will.

ENFORCEMENT BY ICLEI

Again, the UN's meeting with the mayors took place in 2005. Today in 2009, what are the consequences? Plenty.

Meet ICLEI, a non-profit, private foundation, dedicated to helping your mayor implement all of his promises. Originally known as the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), today the group simply calls itself "*ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability.*"

Many Americans ask how dangerous international policies can suddenly turn up in state and local government, all seemingly uniform to those in communities across the nation and across the globe.

The answer – groups like ICLEI. In 1992, ICLEI was one of the groups instrumental in creating Agenda 21. The group has made its mission to push local communities to regulate the environment – and it's having tremendous success.

According to a report published by the Capital Research Center, ICLEI is now operating in more than 400 cities in 48 states (excluding Hawaii and South Dakota). The group is shooting for 1,000 member cities in the next three years. ICLEI is there to assure the mayors keep their promises and meet their goals.

Climate change, of course, is the ICLEI mantra. That's the real excuse for all of the draconian controls and banning of valuable tools of civilization.

ICLEI's programs are designed to decrease each city's "carbon footprint." That can be costly to the taxpayers. But mayors, who sign promises on UN documents to ban at least three valuable commodities per year, apparently love them.

Here's just some of the programs ICLEI provides cities and towns, in order to spread their own particular political agenda in the name of "community services."

They include: ***Software products and associated training*** to help set the goals of "greenhouse gas" reductions;

Access to a network of experts, newsletters, conferences and workshops – to assure the indoctrination of city employees is complete;

Toolkits, online resources, case studies, fact sheets, policy and practice manuals, and blueprints used by other communities – you are not alone;

Training workshops for staff and elected officials on how to develop and implement the programs. Wanna bet they never seem to mention that thousands of scientists around the world now say man-made Global Warming is a myth and none of these programs are necessary? Probably doesn't make it into the workshop;

There's ***Technical assistance in designing and implementing*** the program;

Notification of relevant grant opportunities – this is the important one – money – with severe strings attached;

And finally, important for the mayors, ***Assistance in publicizing local climate protection successes.***

As the Capital Research Center's report says, "*Local governments gratefully outsource their work to ICLEI, which even offers hiring advice.*"

The group recommends that cities hire a 'sustainability manager' to coordinate an inter-departmental green team representing city administrative, public works, environment, facilities, budget, economic development, planning, social services, and parks agencies to share ideas about how to improve internal operations to make them more consistent with environmentally sound practices."

A full time "sustainability manager," even in small towns, can devote 100% of his time to assure that every nook and corner of the government is on message, including the budget managers, the welfare department, and of course, the developers. It's not about protecting the environment; it's about reinventing government with a specific political agenda.

ICLEI and others are dedicated to controlling your locally elected public officials to quietly implement an all encompassing tyranny over every community in the nation. ICLEI will help put those Stakeholder Councils in place. It's all part of the service.

The United States is not a global village run by elders who hand down the rules from on-high. We are a nation of governments elected by the citizens. There is supposed to be discussion, debate, and disclosure so that

all citizens know where, when and why an issue is being presented – and then they are to vote on it.

Today, however, global forces, which do not accept the unique American form of government, sneak behind the curtain, avoiding controversy and honest debate. They target unknowing local officials, wine and dine them, and blind them with power and influence. The only possible result can be the tyranny of a powerless electorate stripped of their rights, property and self-determination.

Mayors across the nation must be clued-in to the fact that ICLEI and its ilk are not their friends, rather the purveyors of a self-made crisis hysteria using fear rather than truth and logic to impose their agenda of top down control. Sustainable Development.

TO FIGHT BACK, KNOW THE FACTS

The entire agenda of Sustainable Development is based on the argument of man-made Climate Change – Global Warming.

If there is no man-made Global Warming, as true science is now beginning to prove, then there is no need for the policies that are now locking away our natural resources, forcing reduction on our use of energy, and shutting down industries like timber and mining.

No reason, unless the environment was never the true purpose – only the excuse.

So when you ask your elected officials where they now stand on the issue of climate change, their answers will truly tell you what they are really after.

A wrenching transformation of our nation, away from individual liberty, private enterprise and private property – replacing it instead with a new dark age of pain and misery. What we are dealing with today is not politics as usual. It's insanity.

Elected officials can no longer play ignorant about this policy. It is their duty to represent the people and protect them from these piranhas that are devouring our way of life.

All Americans must learn that those who are working to impose Sustainable Development are coming for what is yours- your homes, your jobs, your liberty.

To save it you must now take action. And understand that the main battle is being fought more today on the local level. Right here.

So, if a local politician utters the words

“sustainable” or “community visioning” or looks at your rural neighborhood home, scoffing about urban sprawl – he or she is your enemy. Rip their political careers out by their rotted roots.

Fire any official who even suggests the creation of non-elected commissions or boards or regional governments. Leave the boundaries alone. Refuse federal or state money or new sustainable programs and get rid of the old ones.

And if ICLEI is now running things in your town – throw them out! Stop payment of dues, disband anything they have built and start looking for some good grade tar and feathers. Refuse any new such partnerships. Your town is your town. Nameless, faceless bureaucrats wielding power in the back rooms, untouchable and unseen, is not freedom.

This is not a friendly political debate. This is the battle to determine nothing less than the future of our free society.

Above all, understand this, in spite of all I've told you tonight, we do have reason to be optimistic that we can win this fight.

The economic meltdown that we are experiencing has been brought on in no small part by Sustainable policies. \$4 per gallon gas this past summer helped to awaken a lot of Americans.

They are mad and are ready to finally listen to our message of freedom. They want change and we are the only ones offering it. They will learn that very soon. Now is our time.

This is still the greatest nation on earth. We are still a ways from losing it. But the forces of freedom must hurry. We must organize and unite for our greatest battles.

First, we must arm ourselves with the knowledge of the true agenda of the so-called environmental movement. That it is based on lies and deceit – that the policy of Sustainable Development is truly a Trojan horse for a policy of tyranny and that Sustainable Development is the exact opposite of limited government, free enterprise and individual liberty.

And if you believe in those ideals then know that Sustainable Development is your enemy, no matter what form it takes. And fight it wherever it raises its ugly head.

Together, if we stand vigilant, if we speak the truth and don't allow it to hide in some political double speak, if we stand by our principles – because we are right – we can and we will take America back.

Ultimate Civil Liberties Threat!

American's to Become Serfs on the King's Estate!

By Kathy Lehman

United States Representative Rosa DeLauro (D-CT) has proposed legislation, H.R. 875, which would literally prohibit Americans from raising food for themselves, their families, or even for their animals, without the uber alles national government's permission! Extreme statement? NOT! H.R. 875 makes Americans serfs on their own land! Read on; this one bill could wipe the United States, as a free nation, from the face of the Earth! We urgently need your help to kill this extremely dangerous bill!

H.R. 875, the so-called Food Safety Modernization Act of 2009 (FSMA) sounds innocent enough at first blush, with language purporting to "protect the public health by preventing food-borne illness, ensuring the safety of food, improving research on contaminants leading to food-borne illness, and improving security of food from intentional contamination, and for other purposes." In reality, the FSMA is an extensive and all-controlling abomination that must be stopped!

The FSMA mandates registration of every "food production facility," which the bill defines as "any farm, ranch, orchard, vineyard, aquaculture facility, or confined animal-feeding operation;" and every "food establishment," which the bill defines as "a slaughterhouse..., factory, warehouse, or facility owned or operated by a person located in any State that processes food or a facility that holds, stores, or transports food or food ingredients."

H.R. 875 makes NAIS look tame. This bill will not just sweep up commercial food operations. The fine print of the FSMA will subject hobby gardeners, home canners, anyone with a few chickens, or anyone who "holds, stores, or transports food" - including mushrooms or wild berries gathered in the wild - to registration, extensive management, and inspection by a huge new bureaucracy, the Food Safety Administration (FSA)- even if the food items will only be consumed personally. And registration must be via "an electronic portal," which will be costly and difficult for those without computers.

H.R. 875 exponentially advances the "Foodborne Disease Surveillance Systems" required of member states of the World Health Organization (WHO), which includes the United States. "Food establishments" will be required to adopt preventive process controls, including implementing record keeping and labeling of all food and food ingredients to facilitate their identification and traceability, including instructions for handling and preparation for consumption. This might sound rather reasonable... until you remember the definition of a "food establishment" above.

Maddeningly, the FSMA expects Congress to again approve a far-reaching bill without knowing the details. In this case, Congress will find out much later:

- what federal resources would be dedicated to foodborne illness and food safety research;
- what transfer of agencies, personnel, assets, obligations, and consolidation, reorganization, or streamlining of agencies will be involved; and

- the details of regulations the new Food Czar (Administrator of the FSA) will promulgate after enactment of the Act.

Among the statutory foundations the FSMA claims for guidance and authority is the National Animal Identification System, which HAS NEVER BEEN ENACTED INTO LAW BY CONGRESS!

But beyond the mandated violations of our civil liberties in the FSMA - registration, traceability, inspections, seizures, etc. (all without court orders or search warrants), - the truly chilling language lays out civil and criminal penalties of up to \$1 million per day, per infraction, and imprisonment of five or ten years, or both, depending how serious the violation(s).

Additionally, "(a)n order assessing a civil penalty against a person... shall be a final order unless the person-- (A) not later than 30 days after the effective date of the order, files a petition for judicial review of the order in the United States court of appeals... (and) (t)he findings of the Administrator relating to the order shall be set aside only if found to be unsupported by substantial evidence on the record as a whole." The FSMA is so over-the-top in its overreach that the bill's language states, "(t)he validity and appropriateness of the order of the Administrator assessing the civil penalty shall not be subject to judicial review."

And if you're by now thinking this is about as outrageous as this bill can be, you'd be very wrong. Section 406 clearly states, "(i)n any action to enforce the requirements of the food safety law, the connection with interstate commerce required for jurisdiction SHALL BE PRESUMED TO EXIST."

The 53rd World Health Assembly (a branch of the WHO) in the year 2000 adopted a resolution to recognize food safety as an essential public health function and called for the development of a Global Strategy for reduction of the burden of food borne diseases. The resolution (WHA 53.15) encouraged member states "to implement and keep national, and when appropriate, regional mechanisms for food borne diseases surveillance." All this, despite the WHO admission in a 2004 report that "(t)he true dimension of the burden of food borne diseases is still unknown..."

In 2002, WHO listed the leading cause of death in the U.S. as ischaemic heart disease, killing ~ 514,000 people. The second greatest cause was cerebrovascular disease (stroke), killing ~ 163,000. None of the top ten causes bore any relation to foodborne illness.

In apparent support of all this brazen, strong-arm command and control attempt, the CDC reports its estimate that every year in the United States sees approximately 76 million cases of foodborne illness, with 325,000 hospitalizations and 5,000 deaths (which equates to one death out of every 15,200 who become ill). Admittedly those 5,000 deaths are significant, and devastating to all those involved, but this figure must be put in perspective. We must consider the larger picture long before we even consider such draconian measures as those mandated by the FSMA.



INSIDER'S REPORT

A History that Needs Repeating

By Tom DeWeese

Friday night (Feb 27) I had the great privilege of attending the Campaign for Liberty event at the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC). The room was packed with young conservatives/libertarians ready to fight for their ideals. The atmosphere was electric as Ron Paul took the stage and the chants of “2012” and “End the Fed” filled the air.

Watching, I couldn't help thinking back to another time – the last time I actually felt such electricity and devotion for a political candidate. The time was the late 1970s and the man was Ronald Reagan. I was a young activist in Young Americans for Freedom (YAF).

I was there in Kemper Arena (Kansas City) at the 1976 Republican National Convention working with Youth for Reagan. In fact, it was my job to release the balloons as Governor Reagan arrived at his hotel. He had run a strong challenge in an attempt to grab the nomination from an incumbent President Ford, and Reagan arrived at the convention with enough delegates to have a chance of winning. We young activists spent every night driving to all of the area delegate hotels, delivering the latest campaign news letter in hopes of pulling a few delegates from Ford to Reagan.

However, the Ford Campaign successfully played the fear card, claiming Reagan's ideas of limited government were dangerous to the status quo, and so delegates decided to stick with good old Uncle Jerry. The battle was over.

After the delegate vote was taken on the convention floor and Ford's victory was confirmed, 300 disappointed Youth For Reagan activists found their way to the media area of Reagan's hotel and, in their youthful frustration, began chanting “We want Reagan” over and over again. It went on for more than an hour. Suddenly, we heard the roar of motorcycles as President Ford's motorcade arrived for a meeting with Reagan. As the chants for Reagan continued, just as President Ford entered the area, I suddenly shouted out “Four more months.” And just as suddenly, the entire group took up the chant – “Four more months.” That's what greeted Gerald Ford as he walked through the door. The next night, things got worse for the President.

Addressing the convention as the party nominee, Ford gave the speech of his life. He never sounded better. But

he was no orator. As the crowd cheered and he basked in the confetti and balloons, Ford made the greatest mistake of his political career as he called Ronnie Reagan down to the stage to address the crowd.

Reagan walked to the microphone and in just a few words, blew Gerald Ford off the stage and into oblivion. No one remembers a single word Ford said that night, but they will always remember Ronald Reagan talking about a new day in America and his emotional description of a “shining city on a hill.” You could feel it instantly. Everyone in the arena suddenly knew they had nominated the wrong guy. The Reagan Revolution was born right then and there.

In the next few years I was witness to rallies and dinners where Reagan spoke to ever growing, enthusiastic crowds. The young people loved him and worked tirelessly for his campaign. Their energy was contagious. And in 1980, after losing on his first try, Reagan won in a landslide as Jimmy Carter's abysmal economic policies had run the nation into a quagmire and (as he himself described it) a malaise of massive inflation, soaring interest rates and worthless dollars.

Last Friday night, sitting there in that CPAC crowd, as it chanted and cheered for Ron Paul, the “dangerous” and defeated candidate from the recent election, all of those memories came flooding back.

Perhaps the most exciting part was the presence of a new youth group that sounded wonderfully similar to my youthful experience, this time called “Young Americans for Liberty.” They have organized on more than 500 college and high school campuses – just like we did in the 1970s. They are training students to participate in campaigns and issue efforts, preparing for the coming fights – just as we did. They have a passion for freedom – just as we did. And they don't suffer foolish politicians using empty rhetoric – just as we didn't. And they love Ron Paul for his ideas, not his charisma – just as we loved Reagan for his.

That night in 1976, on the stage at Kemper Arena, Ronald Reagan grabbed victory from his most disappointing night. Last Friday night, I saw history repeating itself, as the Ron Paul Revolution truly began. There is hope for American freedom.

SPOTLIGHT ON TYRANNY

Putting a Child in Charge

By Alan Caruba

The last time America elected a young President it was John F. Kennedy, age 44 when he took office.

The result was the Bay of Pigs fiasco involving an ill-fated invasion of Cuba to overthrow Fidel Castro and the decision to step in for the defeated French in Vietnam. Other comparable decisions were cut short by his assassination. We remember him mostly for his stirring inaugural speech, but his choice of Lyndon Johnson as his Vice President gave us the escalation of the Vietnam War and Great Society social spending that proved to be a waste of billions.

Now we have a President who is 47, a very young age to be running the greatest economic and military power in the world. He had, on taking office, already written two autobiographical memoirs, but people are slowly becoming aware of the fact that there is virtually no paper trail by which to measure him. His birth certificate and legal standing to be President are in dispute. Records from his college days are hidden from view.

His record as a one-term Illinois legislator is replete with “present” votes that revealed little about his political positions. He did not even wait to complete a full term as a U.S. Senator before almost immediately beginning to run for the highest office in the land.

In terms of political leadership, he is a child among grown-ups and a petulant one at that.

His first months in office have demonstrated an astonishing lack of judgment regarding those who he appointed to office, many of whom were revealed to be tax cheats and others who have since demonstrated a distinct lack of competence or preparation for positions of critical importance. Why, for example, would he appoint a longtime political operative like Leon Panetta to be the Director of the CIA?

His initial policy decisions and statements panicked Wall Street and were it not for grown-ups like Ben Bernacke, Chairman of the Federal Reserve, and the steps taken by President Bush prior to his taking office, the economy might have suffered even greater damage. His decisions in office, however, are widely decried as a repetition of all the errors made by the FDR administration that prolonged the Great Depression.

While babbling endlessly about “energy independence” he has again banned any offshore exploration and drilling for oil and natural gas. His preferences for solar and wind energy ignore the fact that, while heavily subsidized by taxpayer funding, these two “clean” energies provide barely one percent of the electricity the nation requires and are the two least efficient and impractical means of generating power.

While deploring “earmarks” he signed an “imperfect” stimulus bill that contained nine thousand of them.

Foreign policy under President Obama has been characterized by ignoring the human rights and security needs

of nations like Poland, Tibet, and Israel. Despite more than a half century of resisting the communist domination of Cuba, he has softened that and is likely to abandon it.

He has insisted on a swift withdrawal of troops from Iraq despite the obvious need to provide vital protection against the forces that would undermine its newly minted democracy. He insists on transferring troops to Afghanistan in a war that few regard as anything other than a prolonged insurgency with little prospect of a successful outcome.

Obama may be our first President with Attention Deficit Disorder. He went from declaring we faced an economic “catastrophe” to saying the economy was still strong in just over a month. Maybe that accounts for his dependence on the TelePrompter which, we’re told, goes everywhere he does.

We’re watching an already long list of fatally flawed decisions and I suggest that we are looking at a combination of his socialist ideology, his youth and inexperience, and a narcissism that cannot tolerate criticism no matter its source.

His greatest support comes from a younger generation of Americans with virtually no knowledge of the nation’s history, no grasp of the economic issues affecting it, and no more political insight than to rely on “hope and change” without understanding that these are not, nor ever were sufficient to the task of being in charge of a great nation with great challenges.

Politically, emotionally, and intellectually, Barack Hussein Obama is a child. This has become increasingly evident with every passing day.

It is not too soon to demand those hidden documents. It is not too soon for the Democrats in Congress to realize that supporting his policies represents a grave danger to the nation and their reelection. It is not too soon to begin working to neutralize him by electing a Republican controlled Congress in 2010.

The military’s meritocracy is based on experience that comes with age and proven leadership. We require that our police act in a disciplined and mature way when dealing with law-breakers. We don’t put children in charge of our schools.

We don’t believe or support people who regard carbon dioxide - vital to all life on Earth - to be a “pollutant” that must be regulated and used to raise billions for a profligate government while wrecking its economy.

“The secret of eternal youth is arrested development,” said Alice Longworth Roosevelt, a keen observer of life and the politics of the nation’s capitol. She passed away in 1980, but she would reaffirm the truth of that opinion if she was watching the Obama administration at work.

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