The Next

American

Revolutionary

War

A National Boycott

To End

Moneyocracy In America

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Dedication

I dedicate this book to the Sons of Liberty, America’s first revolutionists; and to every soldier who has served since then, especially those who have made the supreme sacrifice while protecting this great country of ours and the freedoms we value so dearly.

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Ideology

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All good wars must have a purpose and a goal. I briefly want to outline my hopes and aspirations in writing this book.

My Mission Statement: Ideally I want to **EDUCATE** the American people with the knowledge that we must stand united. As individual workers and citizens we have been ignored for far too long. I want to **EMPOWER** the average American with the knowledge that only together can we be heard. I believe any goal can be reached, but only if we are committed to taking united steps forward daily. I want to **MOTIVATE** individuals to put aside the apathy, lack of hope, and pacifism that plagues America and to take daily action. With the help and power of social media, I intend to **ORGANIZE** a sufficient power base that will eventually force our politicians and the ultra-rich to listen to us, instead of their own greed. I believe that united together we can peacefully yet forcefully be heard, and most importantly, we can **MAKE A DIFFERENCE**. I believe that together we can bring about a fairer system where there is less disparity between the poor and the rich. I believe we can **RESTORE DEMOCRACY** and some of the constitutional rights and freedoms that have been taken away from us. And I also believe we can **REMOVE THE MONEYOCRACY** that exists within our government today. We can bring about a better system of government by stopping our politicians from selling their political access and influence to the banks, Wall Street, big business, and their other ultra-rich cohorts.

Goals and Ideals of My Revolution: Unfortunately in every mass revolution there are people who will join or participate even though they have completely different goals and agendas, so I feel obligated to define and state my goals and ideals as clearly and concisely as possible.

First and foremost, I hope that everyone who joins my financial revolution against the ultra-rich will be trying to improve the U.S.A.'s democracy, not destroy it. I hope that our movement will always remain peaceful. I hope that everyone who gathers in the name of this movement will not be misled by revenge, greed, opportunistic thieves, or other destructive forces. I hope that our actions will always separate us from those whom we oppose. Our enemies are known for their greed and selfishness, so I hope we can be known for our willingness to share and to help others. Our enemies are known for pursuing their own self-interests, so I hope we will be recognized as pursuing the interests of our democracy and of all the American people. I hope that our actions will always reflect the Christian principle of love your neighbor as you love yourself. Thus in our revolution we should never do harm to others. Our country was originally founded on such god fearing principles, so I hope that our social revolution can follow a similar course.

I want to clearly and directly state that is not my goal to pillage and plunder the ultra-rich in this country or to destroy the foundations of the U.S. government. This is not a revolution against the government, but a political movement designed to improve government. There will be no guns or violence in my revolution. They are not needed, as I will provide the American people with an unstoppable weapon – the power of money. With this weapon alone we can democratically change the political landscape of America’s future.

It is my goal in this revolution to enact new laws that will limit the influence of moneyocracy in America. It is my goal to destroy some of the self-serving laws that have been enacted to the benefit of our politicians, the ultra-rich, and big business. It is my goal to expose the conspiracies and collusion that exists between the average American politician and the ultra-rich, and it is my goal to end these conspiracies against the American people and our Constitution through a strong, well-planned yet undeniable social revolution. And, most importantly, it is also my goal to limit and restrict the reach of the federal government into the lives of its private citizens by gathering America’s disgruntled citizens into an undeniably united political front.

My Pledges: In this financial war to improve America, I pledge to withhold every possible dollar I can until our government's puppet politicians and their ultra-rich friends capitulate to the will of the America people and our Constitution. I pledge to fight the ultra-rich, their political cohorts, and their illicit greed for as long as it takes to restore democracy to the people and to the states. I pledge to make a difference, no matter the personal cost is to me. Yet I solemnly pledge to hold true to my ideals, my principles, and most importantly my God Jehovah. I pledge to harm no one. I pledge never to allow my anger and frustration to cause me to plunder or seek revenge on the rich. I also pledge to always love and remain loyal to my country and its citizens. I pledge to act honorably and peaceful at all times. I pledge to follow and obey all civil laws to the best of my ability and knowledge. I pledge to remain steadfastly committed to restoring our Constitution and the Bill of Rights to their former prominence and glory through a powerful social revolution. These are my pledges to you and to this financial war that I have declared.

I hope that everyone inspired to fight for our cause will make similar pledges to themselves and to our movement. I hope it will be obvious by the actions of the majority of the supporters of this movement that our movement is a peaceful but effective demonstration of the anger and frustration that the average American feels today.

Disclaimer: As far as I am concerned, anyone who participates outside of the goals and ideals I have stated here or acts out violently or aggressively against the ultra-rich or our federal government is independent of our financial revolution and has their own agenda. I can only hope that any contrary actions by any minority that may associate themselves with us for their own agendas will not be attributed to this movement.

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Declaration

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With my ideology defined, today I declare war on the ultra-rich and the moneyocracy that they have created in America!!!

Today I declare war on the crooked politicians who along with big business have conspired against America!!!

Today I declare war on the self-serving laws of America’s legislators!!!

Starting today the united voices of America’s citizens will be heard!!!

Starting today the will of America’s people will no longer be ignored!!!

And starting today are the real changes that the United States of America needs!!!

Today I sound the trumpet to call to battle every true and patriotic American citizen who feels sold out by our politicians and their ultra-rich co-conspirators!!!!

Today is the beginning of the Next American Revolutionary War – A National Boycott to End Moneyocracy in America!!!!

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About

Me

I love my country, yet I am so frustrated and fed up with the U.S. political system that I don’t even know where to start. I could rant and rave for hours about what is wrong with our political system and the people leading our country. I could expound endlessly on how our rights and freedoms have been stolen from us bit by bit in the last thirty years or so; but fortunately for you, I am realist. I know I would be wasting your time and mine. Plus there are already dozens of similar books out there written by other Americans who are equally disgusted with our federal government. This is why I have decided I must use my freedom of speech, not to just complain and gripe, but to present a plan that can actually improve the lives of all hardworking Americans.

I hope as you read this book that you will keep in mind I am just an ordinary U.S. citizen like most of my readers. I am a 50 year old Christian Caucasian man. Though I am not actively affiliated with any specific church, I try to live a life based on the Christian principles I learned as a child. As an adult I have never been convicted of crime. I am a private person, a reserved person, with no aspiration for fame or attention. I have worked nine to five jobs my whole life, almost always working overtime and weekends. I am not a rich person or a poor person, but I have never made more than $55,000 in any single year. I generally always have some kind of sideline or home-based business just so I can make ends meet. So to speak, I am a financially independent man. I believe strongly in the Biblical principle if a man won't work then don't let him eat. Thus I have only drawn a total of a couple months of governmental aid in the past 30 years. I have never accepted help from the government if my family had sufficient to survive, although I and my five children frequently qualified financially for food stamps and other similar aid during most of those years. I normally would be quite content to be a non-political person. In fact, all of my life I have been a non-political pacifist, until now. I would have been very content to never enter the political arena, if I only knew that I could work hard and get ahead in life. I would be totally satisfied to just stay home and live a quiet, boring life with my loving wife and family, if only the government would allow me to do so.

Yet, unfortunately, I have not been allowed to do just that. The U.S. government has continuously interfered in my life. In the past 7 years I have discovered I don’t even have the right to choose my own wife. I know now, even as a U.S. citizen, I don’t have the right to immigrate my wife to be here with me in the country I love wholeheartedly. I have learned that there is no due process in our immigration system. Though I easily qualify financially, I have watched for years as the U.S. embassy officials have continuously delayed and denied my visa requests. I have watched as they have determined our fiancée relationship to be false based on the hunches and circumstantial data of just one embassy official, without the right to know a specific reason and without even the right to a hearing or an opportunity to represent myself. I quickly learned that the appeal process for a fiancée visa has a time limit which makes it impossible for an appeal to go through before the case is closed. Then I discovered the process through the Freedom of Information Act to determine the specific reason of denial is an 18 month process. Just recently I discovered that the process and hope for a marriage visa instead of a fiancée visa is no better. I presented proof of my six trips and the six months I lived overseas with my wife in the last few years, only to discover the U.S. government still has unfounded doubts. There is definitely no fair or due process in our immigration system. So here I sit alone, a totally disgruntled citizen, writing this book today.

I have also discovered I do not even have the freedom to have a hobby at home, as I do not have the right to restore a car inside the fenced backyard of my own property, and I do not have complete freedom of choice when it comes to my pets either. When it comes to taxes and child support, I have learned from numerous experiences that there is no due process there either. With many such governmental issues, I have found that I am always guilty until I prove myself innocent, instead of innocent until proven guilty as our constitution and bill of rights guarantee. I am also overtaxed and over-regulated to the point of disgust. My hopes of independence through a small business have recently been completely dashed through government interference and over-regulation. The outlook for my future retirement is also bleak. Will there even be a Social Security system when I am ready to retire in twenty years? And I don’t even get the basic services I used to get. The roads and schools are deteriorating faster than the funding to maintain them.

My civil rights and my personal freedoms have been violated in so many ways. Figuratively speaking, I have been knocked down, stepped on, and kicked so many times. This why I am pissed off!!! And this why I am now on my feet and ready to fight. Not just ready to fight, but fight to the death. I am ready to declare war. I am ready to give my life if necessary, not to an actual revolution with the intent to overthrow the government, but to a political and social revolution that I know can change the direction our country is heading. I am ready to put the pacifism that plagues America aside. Today I stand up. Today I will walk tall. Today I have a plan to limit the powers of our intrusive federal government. Today I will make a difference. Today I am declaring war on the money that controls and corrupts this country. And today I hope you will join me. I know that together we can be victorious.

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Money

As a child I read in the Bible that the love of money is the root of all evil, but I really did not understand the true wisdom of these words at first. I could not see the *Love of Money* big picture so to speak. Thus as a teenager I made a few inappropriate life choices. I quickly began to gain a better understanding of how these inspired words applied to my own life. At that point in time I could see how even petty crime was directly related to the love of money, as one piece of this gigantic puzzle became quite clear to me. Then later as a young man, other pieces began to fall into place. I could see how greed and the pursuit of money affected the lives of others close to me, like my friends and families. I saw how their friendships, marriages, and even their whole families could be destroyed by the love and pursuit of money.

Then as a more mature man I began to see more pieces of this big picture. I could how see how wars, famines, and so many unnecessary deaths of children and other innocents worldwide were tied directly into the love of money. I came to see clearly how all the problems in politics and our economy could also be blamed on this too, as the politicians sell out their constituents to fill their own pockets and the pockets of their friends, families, and business associates. I came to see clearly too how our freedoms and liberties are being ignored by government in their search for new tax bases. I came to understand how big business is manipulating our governmental laws to sell out America, sending our better paying jobs overseas so they can make bigger profits. I came to realize how greedy big business has been holding back minimum wage to the detriment of so many American families and workers. And inevitably I came to fully comprehend how their constant need to develop and grow new markets for their products is negatively impacting my own income, my own lifestyle, and most importantly my freedoms and rights.

Recently we all saw how Wall Street and big banks sold out main street America by manipulating the real estate markets to make a dollar. Today it is transparently clear to most Americans how the ultra-rich and their political cronies are manipulating the tax laws to their own advantage and to the disadvantage of the average American. As reported by Forbes.com, it is easy to see the unfairness and disparity when the top 0.1% of the ultra-rich earns approximately half of all the capital gains income reported each year but pay the lowest tax rate of only 15 percent.

It is also easy to see that the distribution of wealth in America is totally lopsided. For the purpose of illustration only, I am going to quote some statistics I read online. Yet I want to make it perfectly clear to my readers, I am absolutely not pointing a finger of blame at the Wal-Mart organization or the family that owns them. I am definitely not saying they bear any responsibility for the situation we find America in today, and I am definitely not claiming they are greedy or manipulating our political system to their advantage. I only am quoting these statistics to show how lopsided the distribution of wealth is in America. As I will say repeatedly in this book, I will always leave it to my readers to reach their own individual conclusions about who is specifically and individually responsible for the greed and political corruption we find in American politics today. Yet according to the report I read December 15, 2011 on Forbes.com, the “six members of the Walton family (the original owners of Wal-Mart) have more wealth than the bottom 30 % of Americans.” This news report basically means that the 93 billion dollars of wealth this family possessed in 2007, also according to this same article, is more total wealth than the bottom 30 percent of Americans combined. With their being an estimated 300 million Americans in 2007, we can then calculate that these six family members have more wealth than 90 million Americans combined. I think that these statistics speak for themselves. I think they illuminate ever so clearly the income disparity that exists in America today.

Currently I can see how our government is in cahoots with future traders. They are turning a blind eye to questionable practices in the buying and selling of futures, especially oil futures. Again, this is to the detriment of the average citizen and consumer as it unnecessarily drives up the cost of gas and oil products. And I now can even see ahead that the derivatives market will cause the next big world recession, as it is the next big sellout of the American people.

The basic truth is the love of money causes every avoidable problem in the world, especially in the political and economic arenas. The complexity, depth, and range of the corruption in our world today is mind boggling, as greed has no limits. For the sake of simplicity in this book, I generally refer to the ones behind the scene as being big business and the ultra-rich, since the corruption and influence peddling seems to magnify as the monies multiple. Bigger money seems to always lead to bigger corruption; but the love of money knows no boundaries, as it can ensnare anyone, even the poorest of the wannabes.

Yet there is a bright point to understanding how the love of money is negatively affecting the world we live in. I now know that everyone can be a better person, a better worker, a better friend, a better husband or wife, and even a better parent if they can remove the love of money from their life and heart. It is extremely important for us to work and provide for our families, but is equally important that we also have balance in our lives. We must cherish our families and our ideals more than our money. Striving for success is OK. Yet individually and as a nation we must never ignore our values, our children, our loved ones, and our commitments to others. By sharing our time, energy, and even our money with others we can make this world a better place while we find internal happiness too. At this point in my life I feel like I have a deep understanding of this Biblical wisdom. I think I can now see the big picture so to speak, as the *Love of Money* puzzle seems quite complete to me.

The real insight that led to me writing this book came when I realized that I do not have to love money to use their love of money to negotiate with them. We, the American people, are their market. Without our purchases there are no profits. The truth is that everything that is wrong with this country is caused by their love and pursuit of money. If we can control their bottom line of their profit then the ultra-rich aristocrats and big businesses that are pulling the strings of our puppet government will have no choice but to negotiate in good faith with us, the American people. Big business will never allow the politicians to do what is right for the average worker, the environment, this country, or the future unless we bring them forcible to the negotiation table. Justice Louis Brandeis warned the nation that, "We can have democracy in this country, or we can have great wealth concentrated in the hands of a few, but we can't have both." I believe this is an absolutely true statement, and this is why I am declaring war on the money that controls this country. I believe the time has come for us as Americans to stand united in a revolution against the money that is corrupting the leaders of this country.

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As I said a few moments ago in this book, greed has no limits. The rich and the powerful, the one tenth of one percent, will continue to oppress the other 99.9% of us Americans if we do not oppose them. Realistically, there is no one out there in our political system with the power, balls, and will to do anything about it. A few well-intentioned politicians cannot effectively stop the money that controls this country. The well-intended are constantly out voted by the larger and greedier share of politicians who have sold us out to line their own coffers with gold.

Access to our government has been bought and sold since the beginning of this nation, but realistically due to changes in law in the past few decades the current American congress is far worse than their predecessors. Politicians peddle their services and influence to anyone with a dollar in their pocket from A to Z. American individuals, banks, corporations, developers, ecclesiastics, foreign businesses, governments, housing developers, industry, etc. have all been sold a piece of the action. It is impossible to pinpoint any single rich person or group that is more responsible than another for the steady decline in our great nation. The reality is that it is impossible to list in one book such as this all the main people and groups who have led this country astray. In a thousand conversations about this subject I have never had a single person challenge my assertion that the rich are manipulating our political system to their advantage. The only real points of contention in these conservations has been to what degree money is negatively affecting our country and how we best can overcome the current situation we find ourselves in. Not everyone agrees with me that balancing the budget and fixing the foundation stones of our finances will bolster consumer confidence and march us quickly out this slow motion recession we are in today, but everyone agrees that moneyocracy in America is a major issue confronting our country today.

This is one of the main reasons I have decided not to point my finger at any specific examples of culpable people and events in my book. I feel quite confident that everyone who reads this book will be in somewhat of agreement on two main points. One point being that our country's political system is definitely failing us today, with the second point being that big money is having a negative effort on our political process. I assume that my readers have sufficient experience and intelligence to find their own supporting examples. I know the vast majority of average Americans understand at least some of the realities and workings of our political system today.

What I think the average American does not understand is that this country is no longer run by the Congress, the Senate, or even the President. This country has fallen under the direct yet amazingly invisible rule of the rich and the powerful. The truth is that we could vote out every single congressman and senator, and that would not fix the problem. The vast majority of their replacements would just use the legal loopholes created in the past to line their own pockets too. Our system of government is completely broken. It has already been bought and sold to the highest bidder.

The ultra-rich have already used their influence to create an election system that guarantees the vast majority of their candidates will win. Anyone who stands in opposition to the current establishment cannot raise sufficient campaign funds to compete against the establishment. In the past few decades the ultra-rich used their money to design, purchase, and institute a self-perpetuating system of legal corruption. Lobbyists, special interest groups, political action groups, etc. have been created to reward the puppet politicians who are willing to cave into the demands of rich. As a general rule, only those willing to sell out America and be at the beckon call of big business are electable. And once elected these pocket politicians of the ultra-rich are difficult to remove, as the politicians too have plotted against the average American. They have manipulated congressional districts and redistricting laws to give the incumbents an unfair advantage at re-election.

The politicians, the only ones with ability to fix these corrupted political processes, are in cahoots with the rich and powerful. Any realist can see that they will never fix it. Our political system has been entirely corrupted, and our laws and ideals have been so manipulated that it is now impossible to be fixed by existing political means. The Congress and the Senate will never willingly vote for the changes in the political process that our country so desperately needs. They will never vote willingly for major campaign reforms that will remove money from their own treasure chests. Greedy politicians will never vote away the illicit monies and benefits that they are currently receiving from lobbyists, political action groups, and special interest groups. They will never end the political perks that they legalized for themselves over the years. They will never end the government pork and earmarks that generate campaign contributions for themselves. We can only expect that they will continue to give, trade, and sell these earmarks to their ultra-rich cohorts and their own families and friends. It is totally unrealistic to believe that the politicians will ever dis-empower themselves by fixing our broken political system. I can assure you the majority of them will never vote away the income, the influence, or the power peddling abilities that they gave themselves when they instituted these laws originally.

In the Atlantic Wire article *The Wealth Gap Between Congress and Voters Is Growing* Dashiell Bennett reports, “Both The New York Times and The Washington Post have separate reports today about the widening wealth gap between members of Congress and the people they represent. Almost half of all Congress people are millionaires and their median net worth has climbed to $913,000, compared to $100,000 for the rest of America households. According to the Post, that number drops to $725,000 when excluding home equity (and adjusting for inflation), but the same median figure for American families is just $20,500. And that gap has only grown wider in recent years.” As you can see from the information in this article, the reality is that the majority of politicians have always been looking out for themselves and their own families first. Only after providing for themselves first will the politicians serve the needs of the average American citizen. The fact is they are the ones who voted and gave themselves these monies and other political powers and influences, thus it is completely unrealistic to think that they will have a sudden change of heart or conscious and fix these issues anytime soon. Ask yourself truthfully - would you vote for an 80 percent pay cut to clean up corruption in your own work place? Ideally everyone wants to say yes, but I live in the real world so I have no false hopes or expectations. The truth is that the only time critical issues such as congressional pay, campaign reform, special interests groups, and lobbyists are publicly addressed is during campaign cycles or during times of political crisis when the actions of one or two political crooks reflect poorly on the rest of the politicians. Most real talk of such matters is just conventional political maneuvering, as the Democrats and the Republicans fight over and jockey for political superiority. Yet there is no real plan to fix the system, as the political establishment is completely content to continue to be able to reward themselves while allowing themselves to legally peddle their political power and influence to the highest bidders. The only serious discussions about changing the political process are always done behind our back in secret quarters. And those changes have definitely never been to the benefit of you, me, or our political process. The only future changes we can realistically expect will be to the benefit of the politicians and their rich cohorts, and not to the benefit of the American people or our nation.

The problem is that as long as special interests groups and lobbyists are allowed to fill their pockets and campaign coffers with money we will never get the changes that this country so desperately needs. Politicians will never serve the need of their constituents first, but will continue to do what benefits themselves and their ultra-rich cohorts first. Our children will continue to die in wars that benefit only the rich elite and their business interests. Our country's dependence on oil will never be solved because it is not cost effective or in the best interest of big business to get this done. The environment will continue to be ignored too, again so that big business can make their holy dollar. Minimum wage will remain stagnant and wages overall will continue to shrink as a percentage of overall business cost, as the rich get greedier year by year. NASA will continue to go private, so that the big business friends of our puppet politicians can reap the rewards of huge government contracts now and even larger rewards someday when mineral and land claims are made to the moon and Mars. In fact ever major issue that affects our country is not decided by what is best for the world, this nation, our environment, or the average American. It is decided by what is most profitable or most cost effective to the big business friends of politicians. It is no longer the President, who is dictating the direction of this country, is it the cost accountants of the rich and powerful. If you see any problem in this country, then follow the money and you will discover the real reason why the most obvious and simple solutions are being ignored.

The rich constantly need new and expanding markets for their products. As soon as one money making business is established and generating income, then they are off to start a new endeavor. A byproduct of finding new markets and new ways to control and create monopolies has been the accelerated growth of government. Unfortunately for the average American, government growth always leads to loss of freedom and civil liberties. Our Constitution and the Bill of Rights, once proud and bold declarations of our country's ideology, have been stolen from America by a few greedy, arrogant, and ultra-rich aristocrats. One by one they have stolen our rights from us.

I can tell you this for sure, if the founding forefathers of our Constitution and the heroes of that first revolutionary war were alive today, our government would label them as terrorists for sure. Why do I say that? Because if they saw what has become of our federal government they would be speaking of revolution again. Back then the British called them traitors, but since the word of preference today is terrorists, this is what our government would be calling them. I can assure you that they would stand in complete opposition to our federal government as it exists today. They would view it as equal to or probably even worse than the British rule they fought to overthrow. I am sure they would view the loss of our freedoms with great disdain and disgust, as they recalled the sacrifices and the blood they shed to gain these political freedoms. The freedoms that they fought and died to create have been so diluted by liberal interpretations of Constitutional law that I am sure they would be incited to war again if they were alive today.

Not only have the rich and powerful stolen our Constitution, but they have stolen our hope and ability to compete with them. They have manipulated the laws, often in the name of consumer protection, to make it impossible for the small business man and the private citizen to compete against them. Today small business is so over-regulated that every small businessman needs an insurance agent, a lawyer, an accountant, and a tax consultant before he can even think about starting a business. The days of mom selling a little strawberry jam on the side are gone in many states, as health certificates are now required. Dads can no longer do side jobs without the proper licensing, not even for friends or family. Every time big business gets government to add an obstruction to small and home-based businesses they increase their own market share while stepping on the rights of the average American small business.

As private citizens we are all over regulated. As citizens we cannot even build a home for our own families in most states. A contractor's license, bonding, and/or proof of worker's compensation insurance are often required just to get the construction permit. Where I live, I cannot even repair my own car in my own driveway. The number and type of pets I can have is also regulated. I cannot wash my business vehicle at home because the runoff is illegal, but the runoff from home vehicle is OK. Does that make any sense? My friend owns 25 acres of ranch land, but legally is only allowed 5 chickens without a special permit.

Many of these types of intrusive laws have been put in place by the influence of larger businesses. For example a national home builder uses his influence with the state legislatures to limit private construction, hoping to create more markets for their own products. The county car dealer association works with county government to limit outdoor automotive repairs in their areas, again with hopes that such restrictive laws will bring more service work to their own dealerships. And the large industrial egg or chicken corporation schemes with local city government officials so they can sell more products by reducing the private stock of chickens and eggs.

These are only a few examples of how our constitutional rights have been watered down and diluted by the rich and influential, often in the name of consumer protection. In so many different manners and ways the Constitution and the Bill of rights are now just lost and forgotten ideologies. Unfortunately, a few rich aristocrats and corporations will continue to manipulate our government and the masses of working class people, unless we stand together and put our foot down. If we stand together, we can force our government to do what they should be doing anyway, protecting and guaranteeing our freedoms and our rights. If we continue to stand by apathetically there will be nothing left for us to standup for. For the sake of America, we must stop this madness now. Since we cannot realistically expect the politicians to stand up for us, we must stand up for ourselves. It is time for us to put aside our pacifism. It is time for us to show our anger and frustration. It is time for us, the American people, to push back against the money that is corrupting our political today. It is time for us to revolt!!!

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My Thoughts

About

The

Occupy

Movement

Well at this point in my book I am sure a lot of my readers are making or drawing their own conclusions about my thoughts on the Occupy Wall Street movement, so let me tell you my feelings about this social movement. This way no wrong conclusions will be reached.

Though many of my thoughts and beliefs may follow a theme similar to the Occupy Wall Street and other Occupy movements of 2011, I actually began writing this book in August of 2010 before their movement even existed. Any other similarities are purely coincidental. Obviously this social movement proves I am not alone in believing that the rich are ultimately responsible for many of the problems that this country is now facing. There are clearly many other Americans who like me believe that financial institutions, Wall Street, big business, and other ultra-rich elitists are being allowed to run amok freely by our corrupted and broken political system. Though I am definitely not attempting to jump on their bandwagon, I do hope that many of their supporters will see the benefit in joining my movement.

Although I completely understand their frustration and anger at the injustices that have been perpetuated on the average American citizen by Wall Street and others, I truthfully did not understand the purpose of the Occupy movements. What is the practicality of making so much noise if you have no specific demands in mind once you are being heard? What is the purpose of encamping yourself permanently if your movement has no specific goals or leadership? It seemed to me that their movement grabbed the world stage momentarily, but then there was no show. In general, their movement left me feeling bewildered and confused when it was all said and done.

Their lack of such focused leadership and goals was why I predicted early on that their movement would not succeed. I think there are several other major factors that also contributed to their failure to achieve any significantly measurable results. Though naturally the conservative talk shows hosts and right winged newspapers blasted the movement as being full of homeless lawbreakers and leftists, I was somewhat surprised that the more liberal press did not offer more support to this movement. I can only conclude in my own mind that the anti-establishment nature of this movement did not resonate well with the ultimate decision makers of the liberal sided press. It may have seemed to them that wholeheartedly supporting this movement was a vote against their own Democratic leanings, so their support was lack luster at best. I also think because of a lack of focus and leadership on the part of the Occupy movement, news coverage never stayed focused on the social movement itself. Instead many journalists were left to their own meanderings. Ultimately I think journalists spent too much time on various human interests and sideline stories that actually distracted from the movement instead of enabling it. I also think journalism in general in America has been subconsciously trained to promote and support progress and orderliness, thus the liberal journalists were somewhat conflicted as to what to do since this movement tended to be disruptive, even quite chaotic at times.

Overall I think their movement received a whole lot less positive news coverage than they deserved. Although their supporters obviously came from a wide range of backgrounds and classes of people, it seemed to me that too often the Occupy movement was portrayed as an uneducated and lower class movement, a movement by the homeless and unemployed. This partly happened because those most likely to have the time and ability to encamp themselves tended to be the unemployed, the homeless, and other downtrodden groups of people. Since camping is more likely to be associated with blue collar types of people in the minds of many Americans, I also think that even when they received fair coverage it may not have been received well by all classes of potential supporters.

Also even when their movement and message was portrayed correctly, it seemed to me that many middle-class and upper-class Americans received the message in a skeptical or negative fashion for a couple of reasons. First and foremost, I believe the Occupy movement's lack of goals and purpose did not appeal well to many Americans. Americans have always shown a willingness to stand up and fight for what they believe in, so long as there is a clear purpose and motivating leadership. Unfortunately in this case there was neither. I think many Americans, including myself, did not join this movement because there was no end game in sight. It was my feeling at the time that without a plan they were only going to make a lot of noise, and ultimately be ignored. In the end this gut instinct of mine proved to be true overall, as Occupy movements ultimately only demonstrated the frustration that is building in America without accomplishing any significant changes nationally.

I believe the other main reason their message did not motivate as many to act was the fear factor. Many Americans, especially the upper-classes of people, tend to fear challenging authority and risking arrest. Since this movement was often asking people to put themselves at the risk of being arrested, it did not resonate well with many potential supporters. In various conversations I have had with others, I have concluded that a very large percent of Americans watching from the sidelines supported their message overall, yet did not see the worth or value in the risks and potential sacrifices involved. Many people I spoke to did not see the value in risking arrest for a movement that did not have a clear plan or goal. Unfortunately, I believe this is why many potential supporters chose not to join the Occupy movements on the front lines so to speak.

The Occupy movement’s lack of positive news coverage, their lack of focus, their lack of goals, their lack of leadership, and the fear of being arrested all contributed to this movement not succeeding to accomplish any solid national achievements. Though they made a lot of noise and held the stage for their fifteen minutes of fame, ultimately I have concluded that the Occupy movement failed primarily for its lack of leadership and purpose. That is why in my book I will present a clear, concise, and realistic plan that will accomplish at least two specific goals. I will never ask anyone to do anything which will cause anyone to be arrested, and I will also offer you obvious and worthwhile rewards for every battle you join. I truly believe our revolution will succeed to make changes occur on a national level where their movement did not, if we can garner one third of the support that the Occupy movement had during its peak.

My first and most immediate goal is to immediately bring about better government by forcing the politicians to be financially responsible with OUR money. By forcing the politicians to pass a few common sense money management laws, we can make them spend our money in a more wisely and controlled manner while simultaneously stripping them of some of their ability to peddle their political influence to their ultra-rich cohorts. By doing this, we will inevitably bring an end to some unnecessary government pork and ear marks, lower our taxes, improve our economy, and guarantee a financial sound economy for future generations to come.

My second main goal is to institute a national referendum law that eventually will restore democracy to the American people. This law will re-balance power in America. This law will empower U.S. citizens and the states once again with the ability to restore some of our lost freedoms and rights. It will also give the American people the ability to make necessary changes to areas of government where political inaction and corruption is the greatest. Eventually national referendums will bring about necessary reforms in many areas of government that the politicians and their rich cohorts will continue to ignore for their own greed and benefit if the American people do nothing to stop them. National referendum laws could be used by America's citizens to protect our environment, end our dependency on foreign oil, end government pork and earmarks, bring about necessary changes in campaign fund-raising laws, etc.

A national referendum law would effectively and democratically separate money's influence from government while effectively empowering the people and the states with the ability to limit the ever growing reach of the federal government. This is the true separation of power that our country needs the most. Our country's founding fathers foresaw the need to separate the legislative, judicial, and executive branches of government, but unfortunately our government was corrupted by an outside power they did not foresee – money. Through a national referendum law, over time the American people can democratically create the necessary laws that will separate money from government. By restoring democracy to the America people we will be able to remove the ultra-rich's ability to corrupt and influence government while simultaneously empowering the Constitution and the American people.

This is the only peaceful solution to restoring democracy in America. Yet realistically, we already know that politicians are hesitant to give this power back to the American people willingly. Past discussions of national referendum laws have never been productive, as the politicians and their rich cohorts are well aware of how the American people will use this power to strip them of many of their illicit perks, benefits, and influences that they have created for themselves. Fortunately I do have a very solid and plausible plan that will force the politicians and the ultra-rich aristocrats to do what is right for America. And I will present that to you now.

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Non-Conventional

War

But what can we do??? We know electing new congressmen and senators will never restore the luster to our great country, as our political system is broken and their own greed and love of money will always lead them astray. We also know a conventional war is impossible, as our constitutional right to bear arms has been so watered down that a conventional war could never succeed against the technologies that our own government possesses today. Not only is conventional warfare impractical, it is also unnecessary and messy option that is unacceptable to the average American. A political coup will never work either as our government was created very large and decentralized to avoid just such a possibility. Thus I have concluded that a financial war is the only war that the American people can possibly win.

Since money is the only thing that matters to the people behind the scenes who are pulling the puppet strings of our current government, this is our best weapon. These politicians and the ultra-rich who are constantly scheming against the average American will never share or relinquish their hold on the wealth and power that exists within this country willingly, but through forced negotiation America's middle class has the power to take back a fair share of what is rightfully ours.

We have a right to a fair share of the profits that our hard work creates, and we have the inherent right to basic freedoms that our constitution grants us, without the government interference we face today. Through the power of the printed word, the internet, and other forms of social media we can unite and be victorious without ever having to fire a single bullet. And I have a simple plan. A plan that gives every American a share in this country's future and forward progress without having to give their life while battling the superior forces which up to now have suppressed us. You do not have to follow me or anyone else blindly. With my plan you will always maintain the power of your vote. In fact with my idea, your vote will have greater power. You will have the ability to support any issue that is meaningful for you at any time, regardless of whoever holds the political office in your district, regardless of whether they support your side of this issue or the opposite position. I believe my ideas can empower the people once again by revitalizing the hopes, dreams, and freedoms of the average American citizen.

My plan is really quite simple in nature, and it only takes a small but dedicated percent of support for it to succeed. My plan is to control the profit margins of big business through a national boycott. If we can control their markets and take away their profitability, then the politicians and their ultra-rich friends will be forced to negotiate and make concessions with us. In fact in the event of a national boycott both the politicians and the ultra-rich will advocate for us, but for very different reasons. It will be in everyone's best interests to find permanent and quick solutions to the economic downturn that we will be causing.

Since the government is in fact a business, and the taxes collected are their profits. Any effective national boycott will get an immediate political response when their tax bases begin to waiver. In such a time of national crisis, the politicians will ignore or be less willing to advocate for the rich. The politicians will naturally try to appease those of us who feel sold out to the rich in hopes of gaining new voters too. By separating and dividing the politicians from their rich friends we might get a little bit of good government for a change. When push comes to shove against the American people the government will look out for its own interests first.

In fact, with any good luck, the rich too may even become political advocates for us and some of our demands, negotiating on our behalf with their political cronies for certain of our issues that may actually benefit our whole country. Naturally they will never advocate alongside us to raise the minimum wage, but it is very plausible to believe they might support or advocate for us on certain issues like balancing the budget, more transparency in government, and/or restoration of some of our lost freedoms. Instead of seeking only their selfish demands, the ultra-rich will be forced to use their influence and purchasing power to help find major concessions to appease us in order to end the national boycott which will be cutting off their profits. Since naturally they will be guarding their own financial interests and profit margins, they will not cooperate in some areas but they may work diligently to appease us in other areas. They will have no choice but to do this in hope of getting their markets reopened and their profits flowing again.

In the business world, some profit is always better than no profit. If we control their markets and ultimately their profit margins, then government and big business cannot ignore us for long. They will have no choice but to negotiate and appease us, although each for their own reason.

Since the profit margin of most businesses at the end of the year is five percent or less, it does not take a 50 percent majority to have our voices heard. If we control 5 percent of any market, then that market will become unprofitable at the year's end. If we can control 5 percent of any market, we then gain the bargaining power of a 50 percent partner. There is an expression that money makes the world go round, so my basic idea is to stop their money carousel. It has been spinning nonstop for so long that it has left us all a little dizzy. So now it is time to stop the money carousel. Well, at least for a moment, until the world regains a little of the balance it has lost.

At this particular moment nobody is listening to the American people in any serious manner. Overall we are being ignored by both the government and by big business as they together pursue their own self-interests and profits. However, when we stop the flow of their money, they both will advocate for us, although each with their own different reasons and motives. The politicians will want to offer us a share of the profits of big business while trying to maintain the government’s power and control. Big business will advocate for our lost freedoms and rights as they try to maintain their share of the profits. Either way, both sides will have no choice but to negotiate with us and address our various demands. We can succeed, so long as our demands are reasonable. Here is an example of what I have in mind to bring about improvements that will benefit all of us and create better government.

According to a recent CNN poll, Americans support a balanced budget initiative on a 2:1 basis. This means for every two people who support it only one person does not. So why have the politicians ignored the will of the American people for so long? The answer is really quite simple; money buys power and influence. The more money they are allowed to spend, the more influence they can purchase to benefit themselves and their rich cohorts. Politicians use their control of money as power in both the political and economic arenas. Unfortunately these politicians are spending away America's future to benefit themselves today. They are spending our future money illicitly to benefit themselves politically and financially in the short term, as well as to benefit everybody they know. Instead of looking for responsible ways to be financial responsible, politicians are instead looking for excuses to put their hand in the cookie jar every chance they get so to speak. As Americans I believe we must stop this nonsense immediately. By ending some of their unnecessary and wasteful spending, we can effectively help ourselves to lower tax rates while simultaneously ending some political graft. I truly believe our current economic security and quality of the future for our children depend upon our country immediately balancing our budget. Unfortunately, this is not going to realistically happen anytime soon, unless we take matters into our own hands.

In fact I believe even our economic recovery depends upon us getting our finances in order. International and national banks are always hesitant to loan money during insecure times like now. National credit agencies like the S&P are currently driving up the cost of borrowing money by lowering our national credit rating. The higher costs of borrowing money and higher costs of doing business because of increased interest rates can only harm American businesses and our national economy. So my first plan is to secure the financial well-being of our future and hopefully stimulate our economy a little bit too. The plan is really quite simple. If you support a balanced budget initiative, then this is what I am asking you to do. Every Monday from now until they have a balanced budget amendment, I want you to start the day by sending your congressman and two senators an email or a letter notifying them of the financial war you have declared on this issue. You must inform them of your long term commitment to this issue and your short term resolve to boycott spending any money on Mondays. Starting Monday I want you to change your spending habits. You buy nothing on Monday unless it is an absolute emergency. Do your food shopping and gas your car in advance. Pack a lunch. Bring your thermos. Do whatever it takes to show them how serious you are. But whatever you do, don't spend even ten cents on Mondays if you can avoid it.

In fact, if you are in a position to save this money, then I ask that you never spend this money until the balanced budget initiative is passed into law. The more money we take out of the economy the quicker they will respond to our demands. If you are like many Americans and your family needs every dollar you earn to survive then spend your money another day. Just remember, your active participation is still needed and your letter to the politicians is vitally important. The more letters they receive and the more we disrupt their money making machine, the sooner our demands will be met.

By spending your money on Sunday instead of Monday, businesses usually incur additional expenses, such as in labor and overtime for example. This is why everyone's participation is critical. The more we disrupt everyday norms the quicker we will grab the focus of their attention. Our government and big business will instantly be able to measure the decline in Monday spending, although it will most likely take them somewhat longer to determine the amount of additional spending that is spread out through the week. A comparative analysis of week-long changes will require additional time to accumulate data and then analyze the data, as the government and big businesses try to separate our decline in spending on Mondays from our normal fluctuations in weekly spending.

An absolute key to our success is to make sure you tell all your friends, co-workers, customers, and anyone who will listen to join our cause. Be a voice for the revolution. You can make a difference. One outspoken advocate can bring hundreds, if not thousands, to the battle for our cause. Use the internet to spread the word. Send messages and emails to all your contacts telling them of our plan. Ask them to join us, and ask them to forward our message and ideas to all of their contacts too. Trust me, through social media and word of mouth we can quickly build a huge pyramid of support. They will not be able to ignore us anymore!!! We will get their attention quickly, if we stand united for our cause.

In the next chapter, I will explain the math that proves how we can accomplish all this with only single digit support from the general public.

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There Is

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In Small

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When it comes to the national economy and making money, small numbers can make a huge difference. All Americans remember the financial crisis that occurred in 2008. It is often referred to with very severe expressions, such as the financial collapse of 2008 or as a world recession. But look at this fact. According to Wikipedia, The free Encyclopedia, “The worst recession in recent decades, in terms of lost output, occurred during the 2008 financial crisis, when GDP fell by 5.0% from the spring of 2008 to the spring of 2009.“

Can that be right? Only 5.0% decline in our total gross domestic product output? All those people lost their jobs and homes over only a 5 percent decline in the economy? Can that really be right? Yes, it is absolutely correct!!!! There is a simple and logical reason why this seemingly small decline in output caused such havoc to our economy. It is because the average American business, after all expenses are deducted, only makes a net profit of between 2 to 5 percent per year in most industries. Thus in reality a 5 percent decline in the 2008 GDP actually meant that almost every single business was going to lose money or at best break even for that entire year. Since naturally rich people have no desire to lower their quality of living or live off their savings, the necessary cutbacks to remain profitable hurt the working class much more than the rich people themselves. The rich ultimately chose to cut their workforces, to quickly reduce costs and make themselves profitable once again.

This fact about fluctuations in economic output is also what makes my plan so effective. This is why there is such great power in controlling money. Any group or movement who can gain control over even just 3 or 4 percentage points of the money spent in the USA instantly becomes a major force to be reckoned with. Big business and government could never ignore such a powerful entity. They will be forced to come to the negotiation table and deal with our demands, so long as our demands are reasonable.

In reality we do not even need 5 percent of the people to control 5 percent of the money, as middle class wage earners earn much more than minimum wage workers. People who are likely to vote or participate in a political movement are typically better educated and usually are higher wage earners than their non-participating counterparts. Though it is impossible to predict the future and it is equally difficult to know the median income of those who will support our movement, it is realistic to believe that we can effectively be heard with just 3 percent of dedicated support. If 3 percent of Americans will stop their spending in support of any our causes then the changes we seek can quickly be instituted. Big business and government cannot ignore us for very long if we stand firm and united for our cause. When their profits stop coming in then they will be forced to negotiate with us immediately.

In our economic system there is great power in small groups of people who controls key economic factors. The ultra-rich aristocrats are completely aware of this power, as the 0.1% of them have been controlling the 99.9% of the money and masses since the beginning of the first economic system. What is important for the average American to recognize is that we can have tremendous influence and power if we can control the economy output and spending of this nation and the profit margins of the ultra-rich. The American people are their consumers. **They need us to make a profit**. Without consumers their money making systems will all collapse. If we can organize our purchasing and spending power, then we can gain bargaining power. We can force our corrupted politicians and their rich friends to re-negotiate in a fair manner in all areas where they have taken advantage of us, our freedoms, and/or the laws of this great nation of ours. We can stop their wasteful spending. We can stop their financial conspiracies. And we can restore our lost freedoms.

The truth is they will get nervous if we decrease the national economy by half of one percentage point. They will begin to sweat and tremble at one percentage point. At two point percentage points or more we will be as powerful as Congress is itself. At three percentage points and above, the U.S.A. will once again be ruled by the American people.

Another example that shows the power of small numbers is the “fiscal cliff” that the U.S. economy is facing if the Senate and the Congress cannot agree on budget cuts and policy before the January 1, 2013 deadline. As we stand at an impasse, everyone is talking about this looming “fiscal cliff” and the inevitable double dip recession that will follow if our legislators cannot come to a bi-partisan agreement. So how big is this fiscal cliff that everyone is worried about? According to the Congressional Budget Office’s estimate the U.S. economy will contract by 1.3% for the first 6 months of 2013, and will only grow by 2.3 percent during the second half of 2013 if no agreements are reached and we plunge over this fiscal cliff by allowing mandated cuts in spending to go forward.

These statistics once again show the power of small numbers. This fiscal cliff plunge of 1.3 percent is predicted to cause a short term 6 month recession. As I explained before, since most businesses only earn between 2 percent and 5 percent after all expenses are subtracted, the loss of 1.3 percent of sales will come directly out of their bottom line of profit. Thus a business that nets 2 percent annually, which is equivalent to 1 percent of profit every six months, will lose all their profitability for the first half of 2013, and a business that makes 5 percent annually, which calculates out to 2.5 percent every six months, will lose more than half of its profitability for the same six month period. These numbers should once again show you how even a small number like 1.3 percent can have enormous effects on the annual profitability of business. Thus it should be obvious to you that our movement will be quickly noticed, if we can unite the American people to influence the economy through a national boycott by a similar number.

In numbers and in people there is great power in even small groups. There are many other examples of how a small percent of people can change everything dramatically in politics. For example, not too many years ago our national presidential election was decided by a handful of votes in the one state of Florida alone. The political reality is there is great power even in small numbers of people. In our two party political system, there is great power in small numbers, especially when the numbers fall in the middle of the political spectrum.

In our recent history, close presidential elections have often been decided by small groups of voters who have switched back and forth between the two parties. Thus moderate, Hispanic, Christian, and other groups of voters have had major influences in close elections on several occasions. Unfortunately, the average American does not understand this very important concept all so well. The average American voter has often been deceived into thinking that voting with a smaller block of voters somehow makes you a loser. Neither the Democrats nor the Republicans have wanted to share their power with another voting bloc, so they have long promoted this false way of thinking.

The truth is our political system would function much more efficiently with three or four political parties, instead of just two. The check and balances that were designed into are political system have more easily been bypassed by the two party system that seems to be so firmly in place in this country of ours. History has shown the astute political observer that it is much easy for two parties to conspire against the nation than three or four. Especially in the past four decades, there has been no one to cry foul each time the Democrats and the Republicans have conspired with the rich against the American citizen. I desperately hope that this extremely important concept will not fall on deaf ears. I truly hope that all the readers of my book who are American voters will at least consider and re-evaluate their political affiliations before our next national election. I truly believe a multi-party political system would benefit this country and improve the political process tremendously. I would love to see the Tea Party, the Independents, the Green Party and/or Libertarians evolve into their own strong and independent political parties, giving the US at least a four party system someday. Once we have a Senate and Congress equally divided among four or more political affiliations it will be much more difficult for the politicians to reward themselves and their ultra-rich cronies undetected.

The truth is you have much greater influence than you know, as an individual voter and as a member of any smaller voting group. Career politicians will never tell you how valuable your small vote is. Though they pursue every vote diligently, they also will always downplay the political importance of any small voting group because they know there is a political price to pay to obtain that vote. To get that vote at price they are willing to pay they will deceive you of its value to them. Just as a potential home buyer never admits how much they want a particular home that they are negotiating to buy, a smart politician will seldom admit directly to the average voter the true importance and value of everyone's vote. I tell you this so you will not continue to be deceived into voting only for one of the two main political parties.

In the past politicians have deceived the American people into not voting for smaller political parties, and I am certain in the near future they will try to deceive you with similar logic into thinking that my plan will not work. I guarantee you that the politicians and the rich who control this country will downplay my plan. I know at first they will claim I am exaggerating my numbers or that my numbers make no sense, but no matter what they say you must not believe their nonsense. For their own benefit and profits, they will definitely try to mislead you into not even trying or into giving up prematurely. So whatever they say, do not listen to their bullshit. Don't fall prey to the doubts and fears that they will try to put in your head. Just look at small numbers and think of the huge difference they make in our economy every day.

For example, what is the difference between 6.0% percent unemployment and 9.0% unemployment? The difference is only 3.0%, right? And 3.0% is a small number, right? Well the real difference is that six percent unemployment represents a decent economy, while nine percent unemployment represents a recession. This is why I tell you, economically speaking, 3 percent is a huge number. Maybe if you have been unemployed in the last four or five of years, you can feel what the difference of 3 percent points is like in your own life. The difference is night and day. And this is why our revolution can succeed with just 3 percent of support from the American people.

Thus you must believe me that there is tremendous power in small numbers, no matter if they say our plan cannot work or even if they say it is impossible. I am certain we can bring about positive changes, if we stand united and control their profit margins. I am also certain they will try to convince the average American that we cannot succeed while hoping to outlast us. They will be hoping that our zeal and enthusiasm will fade before we exceed their threshold of pain. And even once we have broken through, then I am sure that Congress, will try to outlaw our tactic from being used again. I predict they will do this in the name of national security, calling it financial terrorism or something stupid like that. The truth is they will be trying to subordinate the American people once again. The truth is they will be trying to suppress more of our freedoms, as our national boycott will not be breaking any laws or causing any violence. If we do not have the freedom to choose how to spend our own money, then what freedom do we have? The truth is they will be trying to protect their own power base and their own access to illicitly gained wealth. The truth is they will not surrender the power and wealth they have stolen from the people easily, so we must be prepared for a protracted battle.

I do not believe the average American will understand their determination until they see how far those in power will go to protect their money, influence, and power. I predict the average American will be completely offended by our own government's reaction to us. For the last decade, Americans have been duped into surrendering certain of their freedoms in the name of terrorism. Yet when the U.S. government turns these same terrorist laws against its own people for our economic boycott, this will be the beginning of true understanding for many American citizens. The truth is a silent coup to overthrow our Constitution has already occurred by the politicians and their rich cohorts. They have already stolen the people's government from us in the past few decades through governmental creep. Inch by inch our politicians have manipulated the laws to their advantage and to the advantage of their rich associates. Inch by inch they have stolen our rights and freedoms, while creating new markets for their ultra-rich friends and business associates. And I guarantee when we threaten to take back the freedoms, rights, and powers that belong rightfully to us, they will resist. They will never surrender their illicitly gained power and wealth easily or willingly. Thus we should expect that this battle will be protracted. Yet if we stand united, this is definitely a battle we can win, by withholding our spending until they concede all that is rightfully ours.

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Since there are a good percentage of Americans who may not support a balanced budget amendment or may not be willing to take action to show their support for it, I feel it is important to give every American a good reason to actively join our ranks. So to really upset their money making machine, I believe we must have five other simultaneous prongs of attack to combine with our withholding money on Mondays for a balanced budget amendment. Like any good general would think, I feel a multi-prong attack will be most effective in getting their attention quickly. Since we are declaring war on the rich in advance and engaging an enemy who is deeply entrenched, I believe we need to use our superior numbers to completely overwhelm our opponents. So I have chosen five other critical issues, one each for Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. All I can say is they are lucky I am a Christian man, and I have decided I must rest on Sundays. Plus I must have at least one day a week to do a little shopping.

I believe attacking them on six financial fronts simultaneously will be most effective for a few main reasons. First and foremost, the more money we take out of the economy the quicker they will respond to some of our demands. Second, by having six distinct demands (one for each day we refuse to spend our money), we will be giving them choices and options of where they can make concessions to us. Thus we will be more likely to achieve some type of success quickly. I truly believe any one small victory will invigorate this movement and give us the credibility to accomplish all of our goals. Third, I also think it is difficult to predict which issues might attract the most support from Americans willing to withhold their money. Thus I believe our financial war against the ultra-rich will be more adaptable to the will of the American people by attacking on six financial fronts.

It is my hope that once we achieve a victory on any particular days issue, our financial revolution will be able to rollover some of the support from that particular day's issue to another day's demand. Hopefully after we achieve one goal then we can use the momentum we have gained to strengthen our movement on other financial fronts. I hope that everyone who joins this battle cry will see the benefit in staying united until all six of our demands are met. In fact this is why our first six demands are basic common sense demands that will improve our government by reducing wasteful spending while simultaneously stripping our politicians of some of their ability to collude with their ultra-rich friends and big business.

As I said before in a previous chapter, in this financial revolution to restore good government each American's vote remains their own. If you agree with all six of my ideas for good government, then I hope that like me Sunday will be the one shopping day of the week for you too. I hope that you will withhold all optional spending of money until our revolution succeeds.

If you disagree, then feel free to decide issue by issue what you are motivated to support. If you only agree with certain issues then only withhold your spending on those days only. If you only agree with my Monday, Wednesday, and Friday issues, then only withhold your spending on those days. Likewise if you totally disagree with an issue or solution I have offered, you can choose to spend all your money on that day to show your support against this idea. As I have stated before, in this revolution your vote will always remain 100 percent in your control for any given issue. You are never giving your vote to a politician who may betray you or may not agree with you on every issue. In this financial revolution you will maintain an independent vote for each issue. You can show your support for or against any of my ideas by deciding how you will spend your money based on your opinion for the issue of that day. In the next five chapters I will present one common sense idea for improving government for each additional day. It is my hope as you read each of my ideas you will find it difficult to spend money on those days too. I sincerely hope that you understand that every dollar you spend is a vote to keep things the same as they already are today, and every dollar you withhold is a vote for change and improvement for tomorrow. The more money we take out of the economy the faster we will be taken seriously. The more we disrupt their money making machine by changing our spending patterns, the more attention and publicity our movement will receive. If we can shift 5 or 10 percent of American spending to Sundays then we will know and they will know that we have the power to accomplish our goals for improving America’s political processes.

I realize that to disturb their money making machine effectively we must pay a price of inconvenience in our own lives. I know that shopping and spending money only one day a week will be a major disruption to you and your family, but in reality it is an extremely small price to pay. Please keep in mind that countless American heroes in previous wars have paid the ultimate price. They gave their very own lives to create and protect the freedoms and rights we have today. I do not stand before you today asking you to give blood, sweat, and tears; nor am I asking you to make the supreme sacrifice of giving your life. I am not asking you to commit crimes or acts of violence. I am just asking you to plan ahead week to week, and to send 3 form letters once a day (a five minute task if you have access to a computer or a copier). It does not take much to be an American hero in my revolution. The sacrifices I am asking from you today are an extremely small price to pay to restore the luster and the grandeur to this great country of ours.

The truth is I have actually discovered that shopping one day a week is really quite fun. In some strange manner it makes me feel momentarily rich. It has given me a small taste of what it might be like to be ultra-rich, to be able to shop until you drop so to speak. I have discovered too that overall many children are very supportive of this revolution and its challenges. When you explain to them the history of our country, as well as the importance and purpose of our choices, children are often more adaptive and willing to participate than most adults. Their enthusiasm to make a difference can really be quite inspiring and invigorating. I know you can do this if you put your mind and heart into it. It is a small price to pay to protect our freedoms, our country, and the future financial security of this nation.

In the next five chapters I will outline the demands I have set for each day of the week and the very important political implications of accomplishing each demand. Even if you already support my common sense idea for any particular day, I hope you will take the time to learn all the important reasons why our politicians have avoided such common sense government in the past. Once you understand the power and greed behind their lack of actions, I hope you will be motivated to fight for these important causes. Once you understand the mind set of our puppet politicians, I am sure you will be even more motivated to help institute changes in the laws that will force the politicians to improve the political processes that are failing our country today. Each law that we are fighting to install will help a little to remove the ultra-rich's ability to influence and conspire with the politicians. Each law that we will pass will make it more difficult for politicians to handout our money to their rich cohorts with the anonymity and immunity that they have today. And each law that we pass will help to limit the size and reach of government, as we end the profiteering that is infringing on every American’s rights and freedoms. Though realistically we can never remove all corruption from government, we definitely can make major improvements in many areas with the changes I am seeking to make.

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Tuesdays:

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Signature

Required

When you write a check for $4.50, the bank requires a signature to know who is authorizing this particular purchase. Unfortunately, when Congress and the Senate write a check for $450,000,000.00, there is no signature required. When they approve new appropriations bills, the American taxpayer never knows who conceived or authorized any particular purchase, expense, or pork item that appears in a bill that our legislative branches of government have passed. This leads to a huge waste of taxpayer’s contributions, as well as to large amounts of undetectable fraud. Any senator or congressman can easily add with impunity millions of dollars of contracts and purchases to any appropriations bill that is coming up for a vote.

An example of this type of government waste is the $2,500,000,000.00 purchase of ten C17 aircraft in 2010. Not only were these aircraft not requested by the Department of Defense, the DoD’s own analysis stated that the 205 C17s already in their possession were “sufficient to meet the Department’s future airlift needs -- even under the most stressing situations." So why did a legislator request these aircraft? Who was the politician trying to reward and why? And, most importantly, which politician is responsible for such an outrageous waste of taxpayer money? In this case, like so many others, no one knows the answer for certain.

With less than 100 million individuals paying taxes after all deductions are removed, this one unnecessary expenditure cost every actual taxpayer more than 25 dollars. Unfortunately, the extent of pork spending does not end with this one item. According to Citizens Against Government Waste’s *2009 Congressional Pig Report* there were 229 anonymous pork projects worth 7.8 billion dollars in the 12 appropriation bills for 2009. In the same 12 appropriation bills there were an additional 9,939 requested pork items worth $11.8 billion that were identified requests. If you notice carefully the amount of anonymous pork averages $34,061,135 per project, while identified pork averages $118,724 per project. These statistics clearly show why anonymity should not ever be allowed in the Congressional spending process.

Yet right now there is absolutely no accountability, and the Senate and the Congress have no desire and no incentive to change the system. Currently they are basically allowed to write checks freely and anonymously to whomever they wish, and they use this substantial power to enrich themselves and their ultra-rich supporters while hiding their culpability. Unfortunately this is one reason our country is facing bankruptcy in the near future. Whenever a public watchdog group or an investigative reporter attempts to hold someone accountable for a particular item, there is a lot of general finger pointing and admissions of failures in the system, but the promised action to fix the system is never undertaken. The Republicans blame the Democrats, and the Democrats blame the Republicans, while both sides claim that is impossible to read every page of these huge appropriation bills. Yet nothing is ever done to permanently fix the problem. The truth of the matter is they do not want to disempower themselves by fixing this problem.

The same thing happens when a law is passed that “accidently” has unforeseen consequences or “accidently” has a large loophole that benefits a certain business group. I personally doubt there are very few times when the politicians are bamboozled by their rich cohorts and enact laws that have totally unforeseeable consequences; however I do firmly believe that politicians often bamboozle each other and the political parties they represent. The truth of the matter is most of these loopholes are intentionally placed into law through a well planned and executed conspiracy of a few conniving politicians and their rich cohorts.

Well, I am fed up with all of this unexplained crap and I am tired of this total lack of accountability, especially when the solution is so simple. Our hard earned tax money has been squandered for far too long to empower and enrich the politicians and the ultra-rich. I actually do not believe that Senators and Congressmen spend a tenth of the time they should scrutinizing the bills they pass. I believe they spend the majority of their time seeking to add new items and laws that will benefit themselves, their families, their friends, and their ultra-rich campaign supporters.

The solution I purpose to reduce government waste and help to reduce the number of loopholes is really quite simple. Every line that is added to any of these massive bills must have a signature. It must clearly identify the individual or individuals who specifically requested and added the item or the law change(s) to the particular bill that is being legislated. The signature must be the name of specific individuals, and no more than two politicians from each political party can be named. Limiting the number of politicians who can sign a bill is extremely important. This limitation will prevent legislators from sidestepping the blame by claiming to only be one member of a specific group. Since only the leaders of the initiative need to sign, we will essentially know who is ultimately responsible for adding each line to a bill that is under consideration. This signature cannot be any generic label. It cannot be the name of some political action group. It cannot be the name of some finance committee. It cannot be the name of the Republican or Democratic Party. It must be the names of the people directly involved in adding this particular line or section to the legislation.

Only this type of personal accountability can bring into check the wasteful spending of the US government. Only this type of legislation will allow the average American to know who is opening the next large loophole that is benefiting the politicians and their ultra-rich friends. By having only the two most leading members of any line item or initiative sign the clause, we will force the politicians to act more responsible and be more cautious in their handling of each bill. By holding the leaders of each initiative personally accountable we will effectively end pork spending, as public will immediately know who is responsible for the $450,000,000 dollar art center or the bridge that goes to nowhere. For senators who claim they do not have time to read these massive bills, they will only have to read the parts they are signing off on directly. If you would like to see this type of signature law enacted, I am asking that you do not spend any money on Tuesdays until this law ***takes effect.***

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Wednesdays:

A National

Proposition

& Referendum

Law

Of all the demands that we are making, this is by far the most important. Unfortunately it is probably the least understood by the average American. If none of our other demands were met, the enactment of a National Proposition law or a National Referendum law could enable American citizens to force our will on the politicians and the federal government, whenever they fail us as they so often do.

Although there are many varying formats that these laws could take, a National Referendum law would basically allow the voters to make constitutional amendment changes whenever a two thirds majority of American voters agreed on a particular law issue. A National Proposition law would allow voters to create new federal law with a straight up or down majority vote. If the law was designed and written correctly, I believe both formats could be designed into one law, allowing a federal law change if a simple majority is reached or allowing a constitutional law change if the 2/3 super majority is reached.

Unfortunately, the founding fathers of our country did not foresee that the politicians themselves would need to be held in check by the people through the application of such a law. Instead they included a Constitutional Convention law in our original Constitution. This law allows a Constitutional Convention to be called by two-thirds of the legislatures of the States, for the purpose to propose one or more amendments to the Constitution. Whatever amendments were agreed upon would then be sent back to the states for ratification by 3/4 of the legislatures. This law was basically designed to be a check and balance system to the federal government, but this process has never occurred since the founding of our country.

The constitutions of 24 states provide for various forms of referendums and initiatives. Though referendum and proposition laws are quite common at the state and local levels, especially in the western states, there has never been a serious discussion to do this on a national level. The main reason this law will never be passed nationally is because the law would force the Senate and the Congress to share their power with the people. Unfortunately, such a direct form of democracy has nothing to offer our greedy politicians, so they will never support or vote willingly for such a constitutional amendment. They know such a law would be used by the voters to disempower them and end the moneyocracy they have created for themselves. Since disempowering themselves is definitely not high on our greedy politician’s agendas, we cannot reasonably expect them to ever pass this constitutional amendment without coercion from the American people.

This type of law could be used by America’s citizen in many ways. For example, we could use it force the federal government to balance the budget or enact any of the common sense financial laws I recommend in this book. Such a law could also enable Americans to make important reforms to laws regarding congressional term limits, congressional pay, campaign donations, lobbyists, Super PACs, special interest groups, and other such laws that would enable the American voter to limit the influence of moneyocracy in America. This law could be used to restore various constitutional rights we have lost in various legislation and Supreme Court decisions. This law could also enable Americans at their united discretion to restrict or limit the powers of the federal government too.

The truth is of all the laws I am trying to pass, the enactment of this law would be the greatest possible victory for democracy in America. This law would return democracy to the will of the people, instead of the will of the self-serving politicians and their rich cohorts. If you agree that such a law would tremendously improve our democratic process then I am asking you not to spend money on Wednesdays until this law is enacted.

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Thursdays:

Line

Item

Veto

Earmarks, sometimes referred to as pork barrel spending, are often a huge waste of taxpayers’ dollars. Wikipedia defines an earmark as “a legislative (especially congressional) provision that directs approved funds to be spent on specific projects”. The truth is our Constitution requires Congress to pass legislation directing all appropriations from the U.S. Treasury, and the process of issuing earmarks is a required function and ability that our federal government needs to operate smoothly and effectively.

Yet it is also the truth that Congress often uses earmarks in completely inappropriate manners to benefit their constituents, supporters, friends, families, and secret business partners. This is what is publicly referred to as pork barrel spending. Thus determining a legitimate earmark from pork barrel spending is really a very subjective process. One legislator’s vital earmark may be viewed by another legislator as pure pork barrel spending.

As the law currently stands the President is not allowed to veto individual line items from an appropriation bill. Thus an illegitimate earmark, a.k.a. pork barrel spending, is often approved in conjunction with an overall acceptable appropriation bill. This happens even though a majority of legislators and the President may view a particular line item as being exceptionally offensive waste of tax dollars.

The outright power to do line item vetoes that was granted to President Clinton in 1996 was ruled unconstitutional by our Supreme Court shortly thereafter. There have been several attempts to revive the line item veto by allowing the president to put the appropriation bill on hold and send it back to the Senate and Congress for a fast track up or down re-vote. By changing the President’s power of line item veto from an outright power to a limited ability to force a re-vote on the bill with certain earmarks removed, it is believed by most constitutional law experts that this restricted form of a line item veto could stand up to another legal challenge at the Supreme Court. Regrettably, the amount of money at stake in Washington has increased, as has the politicians’ greed. The current political landscape in Washington has changed so significantly since the mid 1990’s that the hope of granting the President such a line item veto power looks bleaker today than ever.

The current politicians in Washington seemingly will never vote to give the President the power to veto individual line items from appropriation bills. As with many issues in Washington, this idea has often been floated about and discussed mostly before election cycles; but inevitably the reality is our current legislators have no real incentive or desire to give this enriching power they control to the President. They often use their ability to add earmarks to appropriation bills to enrich their constituents and basically buy future votes. Sometimes these earmarks even benefit their own families and secret business partners with deals that are done under the table so to speak, with the profits being funneled back to the politician indirectly or at a later date. Politicians also often use earmarks to get a member from the opposite party to switch side on a particular vote. By allowing the opposition member to add an earmark that he or she is seeking, politicians can often basically buy votes for other initiatives or earmarks that they are personally seeking.

Simultaneously these same earmarks are also being used by our self-serving politicians to reward their ultra-rich campaign supporters. Basically the system works as follows. The campaign donor gives the politician a large donation now; in exchange the politician creates and adds an earmark to the next appropriation bill that will benefit the business interests of this particular ultra-rich cohort. Of course all these deals are done behind closed doors, but this is the sad reality of Washington. Thus you can be certain that the politicians are never willingly going to give away this power and ability to enrich themselves, their constituents, and their ultra-rich business associates.

Though I could write a book alone on the subject of pork spending and cite billions of dollars of abuses, unfortunately I must leave that project for some other enthusiastic writer. Yet I will spend a couple paragraphs on the subject so you can get some sense of why we need a Line Item Veto law enacted here in the USA. The two websites I list below show about half a billion dollar in very, very questionable earmarks alone. Unfortunately, there are dozens of these websites by various watchdog groups, and it is impossible to ever reach a conclusive total when looking into earmarks which are a very subjective topic. That is why the two sample websites I list below show absurd and obviously abusive uses of earmarks only.

The first website I list shows conclusively how our elected legislators benefit themselves and their families indirectly through earmarks. Please check out this website:

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-srv/special/capitol-assets/mapping-the-earmarks/>

In this investigative piece done by the Washington Post they found, “Across the nation, 33 members of Congress have helped direct more than $300 million in earmarks to dozens of public projects for work in close proximity to commercial and residential real estate owned by the lawmakers or their family members.” Please keep in mind that this article only shows how many obvious family connections they found. How many less directly connected family, friends, business associates, and supporters there are is probably significantly higher in reality. And how many more transactions are hidden more carefully through indirect contacts, shell corporations, investment companies, real estate management companies, etc.? I will leave those numbers to my reader’s imagination, but in my mind I suspect like most illicit activities there are 10 undetected transactions for every single one that gets exposed.

I also read some interesting information on pork spending at the following website that I would like to share with you:

<http://www.areddy.net/mscott/pork.html>

The first link on this webpage shows some of the worst and most absurd cases of pork barrel spending that Congress has approved. The second and third links on this webpage also show how private companies and individuals can benefit directly from this inappropriate pork barrel spending, as well as the legislators themselves. Though I did not include most of this information in my book, I sincerely hope you take some time to explore it AFTER you finish my book. I think this type of information will motivate all Americans to take more action to verify how our tax money is being spent.

On this last website I also discovered an interesting fact about the Line Item Veto, which I later verified on the Wikipedia website too. According to the information on the Electronic Resource Center’s website, “Forty three states give their governors the Line Item Veto.” So would not it be reasonable for the President to have the same power and authority? Would not this reduce the money the federal government wastes each year substantially? I believe it would and so do most of America’s informed citizens. This is why I am asking all Americans who support such a sensible law to stop spending money on Thursdays until this law is enacted.

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Fridays: Freeze

Government

Spending

At

Current Levels

In an ideal world, I believe we could cut government spending significantly and immediately by 20 percent of more. In theory we should be able to cut government spending significantly, as there is a huge amount of governmental waste, fraud, and illicit handouts of pork spending to the political cronies of the Congress and Senate. Yet in the real world that we exist, we really cannot afford to cut spending now, as the health of the America’s economy has a direct correlation to the amount of money that the government spends. The truth is our national economy has been on government welfare for the past two or three decades.

Like a drug addict addicted to his daily fix, our economy is dependent on injections of government spending in numerous areas. If we cut our national spending instantly, our economy would convulse, collapse, and ultimately drop dead. Just like an addict, the solution to America’s financial woes is going to take time. It took us several decades to get into this mess, and it will take us at least one decade or a little longer to fix all of our previous financial indiscretions. If you remember the chapter in this book called *There is Incredible Power in Small Numbers* our national economic collapse in 2008 was caused by a 5 percent drop in our national GDP. Reducing government spending by 20 would cause the same results. So realistically, the only logical and prudent option is to freeze government spending indefinitely. Freezing government growth and expansion while simultaneously growing the economy and reducing governmental waste is the only logical approach that can fix the predicament we find our nation in today.

Once we have frozen government spending, The Senate and the Congress will be forced to become more financially responsible. Each year as the economy improves our percent of deficit spending in relation to our total budget will be reduced. Each year our elected politicians will have to find more efficient ways to make do with the same amount of money, inevitably reducing some unnecessary governmental waste. If my plan to have a politician’s signature on every line item of new legislation is passed, then pork spending will be reduced significantly in the coming few years. At least 2% of our annual budget is outright pork by everyone’s definitions, while subjectively defined pork is a much higher percent This reduction in pork spending alone will free up a large chunk of money that can be put to use balancing the budget or lowering the annual deficit that is currently by allowed by the federal government. According to the law I propose, once the federal government has reached positive cash flow, 100 percent of all additional revenues must be applied to the deficit until it is paid in full.

The government cannot and should not be allowed to freely increase our government spending until we have paid off our entire deficit. I truly believe that this is a solid and financially feasible plan that will effectively and quickly reduce our nation’s deficit while simultaneously restoring our credit rating to its former luster. I know the politicians won’t like restricting government spending, as it will remove their empowering ability to buy votes, reward their ultra-rich supporters, and even benefit themselves. In fact, like the austerity measures in Europe, many Americans may not like my plan either. My plan will require that there will have to be some cuts in government programs to stay within the budget. There will be pains and bumps along the way for everyone, but if we do not suffer some discomfort now then later we will suffer even greater pain down the road. Yet this is only way to prevent us from becoming the next Greece or Italy. The choice is ours - suffer some now or suffer exponentially severe conditions later on like these countries are doing today.

Although the budget freeze will cause some hardships, it will dramatically improve the economic outlook of long-term investors almost immediately. Freezing our ever increasing budget will also benefit our country in another very important way. Freezing the budget indefinitely may help to end some of the dangerous politics that Republicans and Democrats have been playing lately with our annual budget deliberations.

It seems the budget process has become so politicalized in the last few years we have reached a point where reasonableness has been abandoned, causing our nation’s credit rating to be severely threatened. Both political parties have recently played dangerous games of chicken with the budgeting process, even going to the extent of forcing the government to shut down some non-essential government agencies for a period of time. The unreasonableness of both political parties is one of the reasons given by the S&P for recently lowering our credit rating, which mildly harmed our nation’s long term economic health.

Lowering our credit rating increases our nation’s cost of borrowing money to finance our ever increasing deficit. Every additional penny of this raised cost is a total waste of taxpayers’ money; money that was wasted because of political infighting by our greedy politicians for the sake of their ultra-rich friends. Right now countries like Portugal, Italy, Greece, and Spain are all feeling the tremendously negative effects of substantially high interest rates on their nation’s debts. For some unknown reason, the average American thinks this same scenario cannot happen to our country; yet we have already taken many steps down a similar path of financial ruin. The trillions of deficit spending to bail us out of the 2008 crisis, our ever increasing annual and long term deficits, the lowering of our nation’s credit rating, and the slightly increased cost of borrowing money are all ominous indicators that we are at least halfway down the slippery slope that will inevitably lead us to the same fiscal cliff where our European friends are teetering today.

Thus to prevent our great nation from becoming the next Greece and to prevent our politicians from further damaging our credit rating, I propose freezing our national spending immediately until our financial situation is stabilized. Yet I firmly believe that if we do this immediately that my financially sensible plan will improve our national economy dramatically within a short period of time. As the world’s confidence and the perspective of the American investor improve, our national economy will take off on a bull run that has never been seen before in America.

If you believe that freezing government spending will benefit America, I ask that you do not spend any money on Fridays until this law is enacted.

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Saturdays:

A

Green

Energy

Plan

I realized when I arrived at this point in the book that the various readers of this book may have different priorities than me, so I was especially careful to choose our first demands very carefully. My first five demands were definitely less controversial than the last demand I am presenting right now. Yet I firmly believe that I have chosen something that will truly benefit all Americans immediately, as well as for generations to come.

Our country's true needs have been pushed aside for the past three or four decades, as politicians prioritized the wishes of the ultra-rich over the needs and best interests of our country and its citizens. Like a home that has not been maintained, our country needs much more than just one layer of paint to restore its previous beauty. Since every aspect of our home has been ignored, it will take several major remodeling projects to restore our estate to its former grandeur. So where do we begin? So what is it that we need the most?

Like repairing a home, it is important to make sure that the foundation and structure are sound before repairing cracks in a wall; otherwise the repair will not last. This is why I have chosen a structural issue that has been ignored for far too long, something that addresses several major problems affecting our country. Too I wanted to choose something that would give our nation the ability to negotiate from a position of power instead of a position of need in international matters. And I wanted to choose something that would benefit the environment we live in while creating jobs and stimulating our economy immediate, as well as for the next decade or so. This is why I believe our first non-financial demand should be for a National Green Energy Plan.

A National clean energy plan will create jobs immediately and stimulate the economy for years to come, as it protects our environment simultaneously. And it will once again make the USA a world leader, an example for other nations to follow. Unfortunately for the sake of profits, big business entities such as the oil companies, automobile makers, and other manufacturing industries have opposed this necessity long enough.

Personally I believe that oil is an outdated form of energy and our country's dependence on fossil fuels is destroying the environment we live in. I believe the planet earth is a living organism. I would compare it to the human body. The earth has the capability of healing itself if we stop inflicting wounds on it. It is also capable of dying if we continue to incessantly wound it. Right now our planet seems to be in the intensive care unit, as global warming and the decreasing ozone layer are creating unknown changes in our environment and weather.

Yet even if you totally disagree with my environmental statement and with the majority of scientists worldwide who support it, any objective realist should know our country must not continue to ignore this national security interest any longer. Our economy’s exposure to rising oil prices has clearly been demonstrated in the last five to ten years, as the price of gas has tripled. The negative impact on American business and on the average American family has been obvious. Every additional dollar the American consumer spends on gas and oil products is an additional dollar we cannot spend on enjoying our life and the few remaining freedoms we have. Every additional dollar that businesses spend on oil is an additional excuse for them to ignore the American worker. As demand for oil in China continues to rise, the price of oil products worldwide can only go higher for the next 2 or 3 decades. Our dependence on oil also exposes us to the risk of another oil embargo, but it seems our politicians are willing to forget this possibility and risk even our national security for the sake of filling their own treasure chests right now.

I believe this country has the technical expertise to find sufficient green energy sources, if we dedicate ourselves to this priority. As a nation we should be energy independent. This way we can always negotiate internationally from a position of power instead of a position of need. I truly believe our dependence on oil is the major reason we have seen a decline in our international standing worldwide. Flexing our military might to gain an edge on oil markets has not ingratiated us to many countries in the world. We no longer negotiate with many countries from a position of power, instead we are forced to negotiate from a position of need or at best on an equal playing field.

Many countries, including China, have recently committed themselves to green energy and already have substantial lead on the USA in this regard. China has even developed a timeline plan to convert to electric cars in the near future. I truly do not believe it is a wise move for the USA to allow our number one competitor in worldwide markets to gain an edge on us in regards to energy independence.

The fact is China is much better received in many oil producing countries than the USA. China buys oil from almost all the same countries we do, but also has strong relationships with countries such as Russia, Syria, Iran, and Venezuela. It would be a serious mistake on the part of the USA to underestimate China’s current influence on world markets of oil. If China continues to grow at their astronomical rate, it would be even a more serious mistake to underestimate what their influence on oil markets will be in ten years, when we are the #2 user of oil products and they are the #1 customer. Energy independence should be of major concern to American politicians right now, but unfortunately they are too busy filling their pockets with the campaign donations from big oil companies and other automotive businesses to do what is best for our national security.

Green energy is good for the average citizen, it is good for the environment, it is good for our economy, and it is good for our nation’s security. Unfortunately, the reality is green energy is good for everyone in this country except the 1 percent of the ultra-rich. The truth is that the big oil and energy companies will have nothing to sell the American consumer when oil is replaced with wind, solar, and water energy sources. This is why they are completely opposed to alternative energy in any form. A few other big businesses like car manufacturers are also opposed to change, as they will be forced to spend billions on research and development and re-tooling their factories. Thus they too fill the greedy politicians’ coffers each election cycle, and this is the only reason we are not already a completely green country. The ultra-rich are definitely controlling our puppet politicians, and the strings they are pulling are directly attached to the politicians’ wallets!

If you believe as firmly as I do that green energy will benefit this country and protect the earth’s environment for future generations, then I ask you not to spend one single penny on Saturdays until our country has a green energy plan that will eventually lead us to energy independence.

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The Voices

Of

Our

Revolution

I realize by writing this book, I have made myself the first voice of this revolution. Today I am just one voice, the voice calling the troops to battle. I hope that you will hear my voice and join my financial war, as I realize that alone that my solitary voice could never be heard over the din of so-called progress.

Though I am find myself here through life's circumstantial coercions, I do not relish the attention and the scrutiny I expect to face if this movement succeeds. Like any politician or leader, I know there will be many detractors who will try to dissect my life in hopes of discrediting me. And I know there are a few private details that will be exposed in hopes of embarrassing and discrediting me. I know that other irrelevant circumstantial facts of my life will be twisted completely out of context and out of truth in hopes of thwarting or ending this movement, but I know that you will not be easily deceived by this expected tactic.

Character assassination is always the first step in dealing with a new challenger or contender. This is standard operating procedure taught in Politics 101. However, unlike the politicians who will try to assassinate my character, I do not claim to be anything but a common man with common faults. So whatever they say about me should be ignored by you. Accept their character assassination for exactly what it is – an attempt to suppress our voices by changing the subject.

The truth is I have no political aspirations. If my movement succeeds, I hope that within a short period of time our movement will find its own natural leader – a man or woman of strong character, someone who loves this country as much as I do, and someone with strong voice and the leadership skills to guide America to a better future. Although I will never abandon the cause I am starting, I know my own limitations and abilities. I am definitely not the leader of the masses type. In many ways I lack the natural social skills and charisma needed by our future leader. My education as a systems analyst makes me much better suited for strategic planning and number crunching– so it is my aspiration to be a general in this revolution instead of the political head of state.

The reality is that politicians and the ultra-rich already sense that the American people are close to a revolt, and they have already begun to take steps to suppress our rights and liberties, to suppress the voices of the American people who are rising up to confront their crimes and to confront the ever expanding federal government. In the name of international terrorism, they have recently passed many new laws that enable the federal government to silence our freedom of speech simply by declaring anyone a domestic terrorist. Worst of all, there is no official list of individuals who are supposed to be domestic terrorists. For the sake of national security we are told we must trust our federal government. Yet once you are on the FBI’s list they can legally listen in on you secretly, silence your voice from social media, seize all your assets, use military force against you, suppress the media from broadcasting your plight to others, and hold you indefinitely without the opportunity to confront your accusers in civilian court – all in the name of national security. Effectively, they have nullified the majority of our Constitutional rights, and the average American does not even realize that any of this has happened.

The USA Patriot Act that was passed after 9/11 expanded the definition of domestic terrorism to include those who “influence the policy of a government by intimidation or coercion”. Since any form of protest is an attempt to influence policy, this new definition has intimidated many law abiding groups. Technically, if this law was loosely interpreted then many groups now fall under the classification of domestic terrorists, for example the Occupy or Greenpeace movements. In fact I personally believe this is probably the real reason why the Occupy movement never wanted to declare a list of their leadership, as their true leaders were afraid if their movement became too successful they might eventually be classified as domestic terrorists.

In fact this is why I tell you in this book, I am very concerned as to how the government will react to me and this movement, especially when we start to succeed. Although to date and to the best of public knowledge the government has outwardly used good judgment in exercising its new authority, I truly fear how this new definition could be applied to our law abiding protest if law enforcement so chose. Even though the government has seemingly exercised restraint against other movements in this gray area of law interpretation, that might not always remain the case, especially if we succeed to disturb their money making machine. This is one of the main reasons why I have prepared a contingency plan to distribute my book and my plight for free to millions of Americans if any actions are taken against me.

In the old definition, acts of violence or crime were a mandatory requirement to be considered a domestic terrorist. Unfortunate, that is not necessarily the case today. The new definition set out in the USA Patriot Act leaves open the possibility that a national boycott may not even be allowable. Even though we will not be breaking any laws or committing any acts of violence, it is still possible our attempt to influence government could be interpreted as an act of domestic terrorism under this new definition. From there the situation would only get worse, especially if I am arrested overseas where I live half the year. In this case, if am charged as a terrorist I may not even be allowed to a speedy trial in a federal court. I could be treated the same as other international terrorists; and I may face a secret military tribunal. Like the prisoners still being held at Guantanamo Bay, I may be held for more than a decade without getting my day in court. This is the fate of all alleged terrorists today.

So who are these domestic terrorists? Well, according to the Department of Homeland Security in the lessons they teach to law enforcement officers, here are some traits they look for to identify these domestic terrorists:

1. Expression of libertarian philosophies
2. Tend to have strong Second Amendment views (NRA members, gun club members, those who have a concealed weapon permit)
3. Advocates of self-sufficiency (stockpiles food, seeds, ammo, tools, and medical supplies)
4. Reads survivalist materials (books such as Patriots and One Second After were specifically mentioned by name in this law enforcement lesson)
5. Tends to have religious views concerning the book of Revelations, Apocalypse, and the Anti-Christ
6. Tends to worry about potential economic collapse (buys gold and silver)
7. Does not trust banks. Likes to pay cash and barter items)
8. Expresses fear of Big Brother or big government
9. Homeschools children
10. Displays declarations of Constitutional rights and civil liberties
11. Believes in New World Order Conspiracy
12. Shops at military surplus stores

After reading these traits, I hope I am not the only person thinking I must be a domestic terrorist, as many of these supposed twelve attributes apply directly to my life. Yet this is what the Department of Homeland security and FBI teach law enforcement to look for in domestic terrorists, and the list just goes on and on with numerous activities that most Americans do regularly. I hope this is as concerning to you as it is to me.

I know when the politicians and the ultra-rich recognize the serious threat to their corrupt system from this national boycott of ours; they will try to silence this political movement by all means possible. This is why I expect they will immediately try to declare me a domestic terrorist or something along these lines, as this will give the federal government the legal right to suppress my freedom of speech according to the national security laws as they exist in our country today. Although I have always stated clearly and frequently that my war is against the rich, not against the U.S. government, I suspect there is no limit to the possibilities and consequences that I face from the well-connected ultra-rich and their political cronies in the U.S. federal government.

Yet I promise not to be silenced. If I am ever declared a terrorist, then I already have a plan in place to give my book away for free to millions and millions of internet users in the USA. If by any chance my website disappears from online, you can be certain that the federal government is working behind the scenes to silence me, as I promise you I will not abandon this cause until all our demands are met. I will not allow the politicians and their crooked cronies to use the federal government to silence my voice, no matter the personal cost to me. I will do this because I love the U.S.A. - let there be no doubt of that fact. My desire in attacking the rich and their corrupt dealings is to strengthen the foundations of our great democracy, not destroy them.

Although I am completely aware that those in power will go to great extremes to protect their rich friends and their own illicit profits, I promise not to let my voice be silenced easily. I am quite willing to pay a heavy personal price to accomplish a greater good. I realize they will try to silence me or try to discredit me or even arrest me on some false charge, but no matter what they say or do to me I definitely want this movement to go forward. Naturally they will think that by removing the head of this movement that they can kill the whole movement too; but this does not have to be true. If we stand united, we cannot be defeated. I am only one voice, and I know the causes I stand for resonate strongly in the hearts of the American people, yet to succeed there must be a chorus of voices. That is why your voice, as well as your participation, is as essential as mine.

Alone it is highly unlikely I would ever be able to spread the word sufficiently to amass the numbers necessary to accomplish our goals, but together we can easily build a pyramid of success. If each person tells five other people in their life who are willing to participate, our successes will multiple exponentially as the pyramid of supporters grows larger and larger with each generation of followers. One of the main keys to our success will be your ability to emphasis and to teach this principle to everyone you bring into our movement. The importance of spreading the word to others is an essential element to our success. The height and width of your own pyramid of followers really depends greatly on your enthusiasm, as well as on your own leadership and teaching abilities. Through the power of social media, one enthusiastic voice can exponentially multiple into a thousand.

I hope my book has provided you with sufficient insight to motivate you to such patriotic action, but more importantly I hope that it has provided you with the hope and enthusiasm you will need to help America overcome the failings of our political processes. I truly believe the apathy and cynicism that many citizens feel towards American politics can be overcome by liberating the United States of America from the hold of moneyocracy. So I ask you today to be a strong voice for this financial revolution, a passionate voice for our worthy cause.

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In modern day warfare, social media has become the weapon of choice. All the recent wars in Libya, Egypt, Tunisia, Syria, and several other small countries have started on the internet using social media websites like Facebook and Twitter. The only real question is who is pushing the buttons behind the scenes. Who would be encouraging civil wars aimed at creating new democracies in such faraway places as these countries? Well obviously it would not be an autocratic or communist country, so that narrows the list of possibilities down considerably. It also seems a strange coincidence to me that the U.S.A. has had very little to lose economically and strategically in all the countries that were chosen, yet so much to gain if things happen to work out favorably for us.

Although I cannot say conclusively that advances in democracy have been encouraged by our government, I must admit this is a very, very strong possibility in my mind. In fact several countries of the world must be thinking like me that these wars are more than a coincidence, as they recently have restricted access to certain social media websites such as Facebook and Twitter. Considering all these facts, I find it somewhat ironic that I am choosing social media as our main weapon to improve democracy in America.

The power of social media is demonstrated almost every day in one news story or another. Bank of America quickly backed down when social media aimed its wrath at their new account fees. A rape victim, facing contempt of court charges for naming her juvenile rapists, found quick justice and regained her freedom of speech when 60,000 people signed an online petition for her in one day. A lifeguard got his job back after being fired for saving a drowning victim outside of his assigned zone. These are just a few examples I can think of from the last couple months. I believe we too can use the power of social media to bring a firestorm of support for our cause.

This is why I am asking everyone who believes in the sensibility of the laws I am trying to pass to spread the word through the internet and their social media websites and email accounts. If you pass on my messages and my free E-book to all your friends and all your contacts, then hopefully some of them will join our cause, as well as ask others to do the same.

Hopefully we can spread the word to various political affiliations that have the same or similar values and goals as us. For example the conservative fiscal ideas presented in my book should appeal strongly to Tea Party members and the extreme right of the Republican Party. Ideas to limit moneyocracy in America should appeal strongly to some members of the Democratic Party and most members of the Occupy movement. My national green energy plan to lead our country to energy independence should appeal well to members of the Greenpeace and Green Party organizations. The more we unite forces with existing political forces, the quicker we can bring about the changes we are demanding

The success of my plan depends on us reducing national spending by approximately 3 percent. When we reach this level of withholding we will be noticed, and we will be as powerful as any existing political party that exists today. After that it is only a matter of patience, as we will have effectively made most big businesses in America into non-profit organizations. Only then will big business and their political cronies negotiate with us in good faith.

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For their own benefit and profits, the politicians and their ultra-rich friends will desperately try to prevent this financial revolution from taking root. We can expect their spin machine to expel lies, propaganda, and a barrage of fear tactics nonstop from the beginning of the first battle until the end of our war. Yet I am absolutely positive we can overcome every obstacle that confronts us.

First the politicians will scoff at and deny the plausibility of my plan, insisting that my premise and numbers are all just an illusion while naturally denying their own culpability and collusion with the ultra-rich. Yet I believe the wise will be able to see the truth in my words, and I have faith in the American public to persevere and overcome the flood of propaganda and misinformation that they will be placing in front of our movement.

Next they will quickly try to define our movement in some negative fashion. With the Occupy movement the politicians were quick to try to label them as homeless, unemployed criminals; although this group had a much wider range of support than just the down casts and out casts of society. With the Occupy movement they often made as it seem as if it was almost un-American to be homeless and unemployed or un-American to stand up for their lost rights, freedoms, and money. Their spin machine seldom used words like protest to describe the actions of the Occupy movement. Their propaganda machine obliviously ignored the fact that they held widespread support and that the majority of the homeless and unemployed were in this condition because of the greedy action of banks, Wall Street, and the politicians who sold them out to both these groups. Instead they constantly painted this group as radical lawbreakers and delinquents or other fringe elements of society.

I am 100 percent certain the same thing will happen with our movement. In the beginning they will attempt to paint the impression that we are some group of paranoid fanatics or some other radical borderline element of society. Later once our movement has gained some traction, they will continue to sprinkle their discussions of us with words that seem quite un-American. I would expect to hear them using many negative words to describe our group and our actions - words like reckless, uninformed, extortionists, financial terrorists, etc. They will be quick to point out all the harm our movement can possibly do to the economy, while forgetting to mention how they have abused the finances and rights of the American people for the last 100 years.

Yet their lies and propaganda will not stop there. Later, once we have begun to win some battles, they will be negotiating for the lowest price we are willing to accept. At this point in time, we must be strong and resolute. We must withhold our money for as long as it takes to bring about lasting changes we need to make our country strong again. Then ultimately, once we have proved the effectiveness of my plan, then they will try to discourage us from more actions by using fear against us. This is when they will tell us we can permanently harm the economy, though in fact they know the resiliency of it quite well. When this time comes, just remember that the people who are telling you we can permanently harm the economy are the same people who were saying just a while ago that we could never succeed to influence the economy. Let the reader beware, their lies will constantly change, but their motives will always remain the same. They will be looking out for their own interests; they will not be truly concerned about yours or mine or the national economy’s well-being. Thus we must not succumb to their lies, propaganda, and fears mongering. We must not allow our political foes to limit or quash our financial revolution under any circumstances, even if and when they try to outlaw our actions. Each time we have won a battle, we must not accept their first offer. We must wisely persevere if we want to maximize our results. Every time they give us one concession, we must be savvy enough to watch for the new ways in which they hope to deceive us, the new loophole which will benefit them or restrict us. We must not be too easily deceived. If we hope to have all of our demands met and all of our rights restored, we must be resolute in our demands. We must hold their profits hostage for as long as it takes. We must be willing to go to battle again and again if necessary. We must stand united as Americans, all the way until the end, withholding our spending for as long as it takes. It will not be an easy process prying our rights and money from the hands of the ultra-rich, but this is a revolution that the American people can win and will win!!! We cannot lose, if we keep in mind that they need our profits more than we need them.

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Effective Ways

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Spending

The more money we take away from big business and government the sooner we will be respected and heard. For those of you who plan to join my movement, here is a list of suggestions that will help increase our visibility while taking money out of the coffers of the ultra-rich and government.

1. Most importantly, your first action must be to remove all the money you have invested in the stock market, as our success will cause a dramatic drop in the value of stocks. If 2008 crisis is any indication of what to expect from a 5 percent decline in GDP, a 20 to 25 percent decline in the stock market will occur within the first month or two. If politicians are slow to react, we can expect up to a 40 percent decline if the situation last 4 to six months. Remember, our actions will only cause a temporary drop in investments, so be prepared to re-invest quickly into the stock market once our demands have been met and spending begins to normalize. Believers will be rewarded, while skeptics will be the financial losers this time around. When stock market values tend to drop, gold and silver tend to rise, so this may be a good investment at the beginning of our national boycott. Do not forget to check with your financial advisor to see what is best for your particular circumstances and the timing of the markets.

2. Shop locally – avoid tourist and airport zones where the government often collects taxes at a higher rate.

3. If you cannot buy locally then shop the internet – most states do not collect taxes online. Remember to buy from the small independent store whenever possible. Many websites such as Ebay can point you towards reliable vendors.

4. Shop small businesses and independent franchises only – Give your money to the independent businessman instead of a big business and corporations.

5. Trade –trading merchandise locally or online can be a good option to reduce taxes given to government while taking a chunk of money out of the economy at the same time.

6. Buy used – many states do not collect taxes on used merchandise. Support a charity like Goodwill or Salvation Army while taking profits and money away from big business and government.

7. Buy American – help prop up the American economy while sending a message to big businesses who import almost everything from overseas.

8. Pay cash whenever possible – checks, credit cards, and ATMs generate huge profits for some of America’s worst offenders – the banks.

9. Close unnecessary bank accounts – same reason as above.

10. Close unnecessary personal accounts, especially corporate accounts. Take a serious look at your whole life and I am certain you can find many unnecessary expenses such as book clubs, music clubs, magazine subscriptions, an unused gym membership, etc. Turn them off and you will help yourself as well as our cause too.

11. Turn off all your unnecessary credit cards – remember banks and their lending practices were responsible for the collapse of the housing market. Unless your house has increased substantially in value during the last few years, I do not see one reason you should want to give them one extra penny of your money to any banking institution. They still owe me $150,000 dollars of lost value on my home, so I will not be supporting any banks in the near future!!!

12. Pay off your debt – Start with you highest rate credit cards and accounts first. This will reduce the amount of interest you pay, as well as the amount of profit that big business is generating. Paying off your debt instead of spending is a great way to help yourself while helping our cause to be noticed too.

13. Shop on the Indian reservations or across the border – Do you live near Canada, Mexico, or an Indian reservation? The state and federal government do not collect taxes from any of these sources. Remember to shop small businesses whenever possible.

14. Buy less gas – Gas is one of the highest taxed items in the country; if a million Americans ride their bikes to work our movement would definitely get noticed. You hurt not only big business but government revenues too with this option.

15. Buy less cigarettes – Cigarettes are another huge revenue generator for government and big business. Have you not wanted to quit anyway? If you cannot quit, then please consider smoking less or buying on the Indian reservation, online, or across the border whenever possible.

16. Buy less alcohol – same reasons as above.

17. Pay less federal taxes by contributing excess money from your new budget to your 401K retirement plan.

18. Lower your withholding tax – This is an easy way for Americans to get the government’s attention. Instead of overpaying your taxes and collecting it later, estimate more cautiously. If every American estimated their taxes correctly, our government would be instantly broke I imagine.

19. Delay paying your taxes – Why pay in January? Put it in the bank and draw some interest until April 15th.

20. Delay all unnecessary purchases. Do you really need a twentieth shirt, a tenth pair of pants, or a fortieth pair of shoes? Look at every purchase carefully. Just because you can afford it, does not mean you really need it. Definitely delay any unnecessary major purchases such as a car or house until next year.

21. Borrow an item instead of buying it.

22. Work less – are you working more than you need? Take a break, enjoy life a little. Not only will this be good for your health, taking a little money out of the US economy right now might also be a good thing for the nation’s long-term health.

23. Start a garden – Save hundreds or even thousands of dollars a year on groceries while taking some more money out of the economy.

24. Reduce energy and water consumption – Why are we so wasteful anyway? Conservation in this area will reduce revenue streams of both big business and government.

There are hundreds of ways to reduce the profits of big business and the tax bases of government. Every dollar of profit that you remove from our country’s current system of moneyocracy takes away from the ultra-rich’s purchasing power to influence the greedy politicians and the government’s ability to grow the federal government. Since big business and the ultra-rich use their monstrous profits to negatively influence the direction of America, it should be your goal to shop small. The average Mom and Pop small business is not using any of their profits to buy influence or manipulate our national politicians. On the other hand, it is an established fact that corporate America has negatively influenced our country for the past fifty years. This is why I encourage all Americans to shop small and buy products that have a made in the U.S.A. label. Having bought and paid for hundreds of tax exemptions from their political cronies, corporate America makes trillions of dollars a year while paying only an extremely small percent of the total taxes paid. It is estimated that American corporations pay only about 5 percent of the total taxes collected each year while generating a vast majority of the total sales revenues.

As I stated a moment ago, I also strongly encourage Americans to only buy American made products. Not only does buying U.S. made products protect and create jobs in America, it also protects you against the growth of moneyocracy in America. The average American small businessman does not import products from overseas. Thus virtually every time you buy something made overseas you are creating profits for the greedy rich conglomerates who will continue to buy and manipulate a majority of the politicians in Washington.

The truth is if you do not take action now to reduce government growth and interference then the politicians and their ultra-rich friends will continue take your indifference and apathy as permission to continue selling out America. These folks are making billions of dollars a year from the self-serving system of moneyocracy that they have designed and instituted in America. Things will never improve in our country until Americans stop enabling these greedy traitors. I personally believe that those who do not participate in this boycott and those who do not buy USA made products should automatically forfeit their right to complain about the direction of America. If you feel as strongly about these issues as most Americans do, I hope you will participate actively in this financial revolution. We must end the profitability of corporations if we want to restore our individual rights.

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Measuring

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Our first measure of success will be starting and publicizing our movement. The real test for us will be overcoming the skepticism and apathy that many Americans have to enter and take action in the political arena. Our country as a whole scores very low when it comes to exercising our political freedoms to vote and get involved. However I believe that the apathy that has existed in our country is ready to succumb to America’s building anger and resentment. The recent success of the Occupy movement to gain grass root support in the USA is a clear signal that America is on the verge of revolt. Dissatisfaction with politicians and their ultra-rich cronies has been building in this country for the past few decades. As their greed has grown, so has the obvious nature of their corruption as well as the cost to each American. I truly believe America is ready for the major changes I propose in this book today.

Even if my movement fails to gain the support it needs to succeed, I still believe the plan I am presenting in this book can be used by others to bring about necessary political and economic reforms that are desperately needed for the survival of this great country of ours. I would be happy to see another group take my ideas and run with them so to speak. There are many groups in America that could easily succeed by adapting my plan to their agendas as they already have their own established power bases. I would definitely consider my book a major success if the Occupy movement, the Tea Party, or Greenpeace incorporated my ideas into their movements.

The truth is this country of ours is only one major event away from outright revolt. Maybe it will be when the politicians let us go over a fiscal cliff be refusing to compromise on the upcoming budget cuts. Maybe it will be when the derivative market causes the next major financial disruption in this country. Maybe it will be when social security collapses, or maybe it will be when the austerity measures begin because we let our credit rating tank by continuing our financial indiscretions. Although the final straw is extremely hard to predict, the end result is inevitable and quite foreseeable. In recent years the ultra-rich have taken our homes. They have downgraded our jobs, and stolen our retirement accounts as well as our dreams. Without hope for improvement soon, America is angry. America is disgusted. It workers stand on the brink of revolt. I believe if America is not ready for plan today, they will be soon.

If we succeed to get this movement off the ground, then our success will be easy to measure as we have set forth six clear demands. Each time a law that we supported is enacted we will have cause to rejoice. Our success will be apparent, to us and to the rest of the world.

The truth is we cannot afford to fail. If we fail to change the political landscape of America then there will be no America for tomorrow. The ultra-rich will continue to sell out the future of America for a quick profit today, and they will continue to destroy the earth and its environment. There will be nothing for our children to inherit except a legacy of pollution and the world’s worst depression caused by our nation’s bankruptcy. So we cannot fail!!! Be resolute, be determined, and remember the final measure of success is what we leave for the next generation.

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I am completely aware that skeptics will say my plan is economically dangerous and financially reckless. Yet I counter this claim with the fact that doing nothing will be equally as painful as the plan that I am proposing. Our country’s spending is completely out of control. If we stay on the same path, then our country will go over a fiscal cliff in the very near future. If we do nothing different within five years we will be the next Greece; however, the US financial collapse will bring about a world depression instead of a regional recession. So we must take some action now, even if it will cause some temporary pains. If we do nothing, then nothing will improve; it can only worsen. The fact is most economists predict our country's economy will not see any major improvement for the next decade or so. Unless there are unique and major reforms in our financial habits, this country is headed nowhere fast.

Our country has always run on consumer confidence. Currently, the likelihood of any dramatic improvement in consumer confidence seems quite remote. There is no hope in sight right now for many lower class American families, as unemployment is very high and better paying jobs are practically nonexistent. Greedy corporations will continue to under pay and take advantage of the American workforce as long as unemployment figures remain quite high. There obviously is no bright future just over the horizon for most of this class, as the 2008 recession sent a large percent of these Americans packing from their homes. It will take a decade or more for many these families to rebound. The truth is the economy cannot get much worse for this large percentage of American families.

For those who happen to be fortunate enough to be in the middle class of America the situation is somewhat different, but the outlook is equally bleak. Although there is actually a treasure trove of wealth hidden in this country by this ever shrinking class of people, this wealth is being cautiously guarded in a very careful manner by this group of largely mistrusting investors. These investors have recently lost large portions of their holdings, as well as large portions of their income, during and since the economic crisis of 2008. The slow recovery of the housing market has left many of these families in the red in regards to their homes. Having recently been swindled by banks and Wall Street, these savvy investors have been very slow too jump in head-strongly again. Many renowned economists believe that large portions of this money will stay guarded in various conservative and long term investments indefinitely, unless we can make significant changes in the financial climate that exists in our country today. Without their trust and participation, our country's economic recovery will continue to progress painfully slow.

According to many economists, even the ultra-rich are contributing to a slow recovery through their own hesitancy to invest and by having raised their expectations of their work force. I have personally seen this phenomenon in the job I recently quit. In order to maximize their profits, many large corporations have eliminated many job positions, dividing these responsibilities among existing workers. They have also frozen hiring wages for many of these workers, and even gone so far away as to have done away with annual raises on an indefinite basis. These ultra-rich corporations have also reduced annual bonuses, done away with unnecessary benefits like company picnics, have initiated hiring freezes, and taken many other actions that are negatively impacting our economy. Every dollar they cut from their expenses and payrolls is another dollar that will not trickle down through our economy. So inadvertently in this way the ultra-rich are directly contributing to a slow recovery too.

The slow housing recovery, hesitancy to invest, lack of consumer confidence, and frozen wage packages are some of the main reasons I believe this current recession will continue well into the end of this decade. For these reasons and many others I truly believe that if we can motivate Washington to enact financial reforms and a balanced budget amendment today, combined with an effective and long term deficit cutting program, this country will march hastily out of the last recession from which we have never fully recovered and away from another world depression that we are possibly facing today.

In fact the greed and leadership problem we face in the USA is common to the whole world. Worldwide stock markets have been fluctuating wildly since the recession of 2008. This is because worldwide the average investor has no long term confidence in the markets and/or in their politicians to do what is best for the people of their own countries. The average investor has watched as whole countries have marched into financial disasters in recent years, led by their politicians and the ultra-rich friends of these aristocrats.

The average American can clearly see that our political system and ineffective leadership has us headed in the same direction. Every time that the Democrats and Republicans square off to fight for their share of the political pie, they ignore the will of the people and the financial security of our nation. In the recent battle to raise the deficit ceiling in the fall of 2011, both political parties showed the true nature of their political greed and lust. Both sides bluffed and played a dangerous game of politics as Americans watched their investments drop from ten to fifteen percentage points in a couple days as these two political parties played a dangerous game of chicken. A few months later, Americans watched again as the “super-committee”, under the threat of another downgrade to our national credit rating, fought to a standstill to find deficit cutting measures to appease the credit agencies. We were fortunate not to have suffered a second credit downgrade at that time, more by luck than the political actions of our leaders. It is this type of inaction and political infighting which has our country stuck in this long term funk. Investor and consumer confidence is never going to improve until we have long term fixes to the foundations of our nation's political system and financial security.

I would compare the short term damage that could be done to our economy by our actions to a corporation making adjustments in the current quarter or in a few quarters to restore longevity to the value of their company. Unfortunately there is always a price associated with any restructuring and revamping of a corporation. In reality the U.S. Corporation is outdated and heading full steam into a desperate financial situation. Our board of directors is fighting over their bonuses, while critical issues involving the workforce and long term security of the company are being ignored. Temporarily it might seem like we are causing unnecessary damage to the U.S. Corporation by not spending our money, but eventually we will be stronger and more financially secure in the long run if we take action now. Ultimately if the U.S. can get its own house in order, we can once again be the uncontested world leader we were just a couple decades ago.

I could cite the example of the IBM Corporation as they changed in the past from a hardware oriented company to a software oriented company. At the time it was a painful process as the company went through a long and difficult process, but eventually it was shown to be the right choice. Today IBM continues to be a leading company in world’s software markets. If they had not made those necessary changes when they did, they would just be a bit player in the hardware market, instead of a leading software company today. As it appears right now, the U.S. Corporation is headed into bankruptcy and eventual extinction. Our decline as a nation will continue, if we continue down the same path we are currently headed.

So please don’t fall for the skeptics predictions of financial disaster. The actions we will be taking our easily reversible the moment that the politicians and big business capitulate to the will of the American popular. The truth is the majority of the most vocal skeptics will be the politicians and their ultra-rich cohorts. They are content with the status quo. They are content to continue to take advantage of you and me. And they are definitely going to attempt to suppress our actions through their very predictable fear mongering techniques. Our economy is quite resilient, and it will easily survive our short term national boycott. Our actions will definitely cause some temporary pain, but in the end the long term results will far outweigh the fleeting discomforts.

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