

*2-minute speech for Channel 8 TV, Rosslyn, VA*

Thomas Jefferson once said “A little rebellion, now and then, is a good thing, and as necessary in the political world as storms in the physical.”

I invite you to join our independent voter rebellion. 2008 is the year to not waste your vote on either of the big two parties.

Five years ago, I formed the independent greens of Virginia because I was sick of seeing fifty percent of all elections go uncontested.

It will happen again next year unless you join us and run for office. Take an active role in helping us get government right. We offer positive solutions that the two parties won't address.

We are the greens who advocate for personal and corporate responsibility.

We are the ones who insist on balancing the budget now. Paying off the federal debt in five years.

We are the greens who understand the business side of being green. Which means encouraging free enterprise to develop solar, wind, geothermal and hydrogen technologies.

Locally we advocate building a lateral rail system around the capitol beltway. Instead of more toll roads, we need more trains, less traffic.

Weaning ourselves off oil expands employment and strengthens our economy. Plus we can stop using war as a foreign policy to secure resources.

Notice how there is no substance to this year's election. I ask you, what real liberal or conservative would ever sanction the Patriot Act? The Military Commissions Act? Presidential signing statements? Or telecoms spying on Americans?

How do we correct all this? By running for office. By getting involved in our community. By taking Action Against Apathy.

So I ask you, please DO NOT waste your vote on one of the big two parties. Cast your vote for the independent. Ignite the rebellion.

Visit my website: [vote join run dot us](http://vote.joinrun.us)

I'm Joe Oddo, Independent Green candidate for Congress – seeking your vote... Thank you.