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In re: Open Letters to Congress – Part 1: Abuses of Presidential and Executive Authority Are Threats to Liberty and National Existence

Gentlemen:

The United States faces a series of existential threats to national security and the Constitutional order, as well as key challenges to our democracy, and long postponed reforms essential to responsible management of our economy. The People expect Congress to meet these challenges. It has not – a 19% approval rating says that as clearly as it can be said.

Part 1 addresses existential threats to national security and the Constitutional order:

- Presidents who have acted outside of their Constitutional authority, conducting
 offensive acts of war against other nations, exceeding Presidential authority
 under the War Powers Resolution in their use of an internationally prohibited
 bioweapon and bioweapon delivery system against other nations' leadership. We
 have already come dangerously close to being the object of retaliation which
 could pose an existential threat to our nation and to the world, to wit DPRK and
 PRC.
- Actions of the United States government outside of Constitutional bounds
 against U.S. persons which pose an immediate and profound legitimacy crisis
 among the People and with the rest of the world. The United States government
 has failed in its most basic duty to protect rights, operating instead as a principal
 predator toward the People in violations of the First, Fourth, Fifth, Eighth, Ninth,
 Thirteenth, and Fourteenth (section 1) amendments, 18 USC §§ 175, 1962 and
 3441, among others..
- The United States government has come to be an international scofflaw in its failure to meet both these constitutional obligations and the international treaty

obligations of the *United Nations Charter* and *Universal Declaration of Human Rights; Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction; International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment; and Geneva Convention relative to the protection of civilian persons in time of war* under the 2001 AUMF (115 Stat. 224, PL 107-40, September 18, 2001) in its violations of 18 USC § 2441 (grave breaches of Geneva Convention Article 3), against those of us who are its own citizens, are under its surreptitious unconstitutional control, and therefore de facto protected civilians, as that term of art "protected civilians" is specifically defined in the Geneva Convention. (See enclosed Table of Contents from District of Columbia District Court 23-cv-415 which includes 92 examples of these and other pattern offenses.)

Briefly summarized, these specific "kick the can" Congressional policy failures and deferrals are:

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Existential Challenges to Democracy and the World

A. Biomedical Experiments on and Biomedical Hijacking of Unwitting Human Subjects Reminiscent of MKUltra and the Nuremberg Nazi Doctor Trials

The United States has developed and uses several generations of an illegal and internationally prohibited bioweapons and bioweapons delivery system, BRMT, for biomedical abuse of humans (computer-to-brain remote hijacking and command of human and other animal brains). This illegal weapons program, which started sometime in the very early 1970s, is known to me as BRMT (Brain Remote Management Technology) since its official code name is classified.

Very primitive medically beneficial brain-to-computer antilog commercial versions used locally in the brain for beneficial purposes have just barely emerged into public view over the past year. FDA approved human trials are being undertaken by Synchron since mid-2022 (only about \$70 million has been invested to get this device to it first beneficial uses in humans) and by Neuralink, which is currently seeking alpha version volunteer human subjects.

By comparison, the CIA has spent billions, and leveraged DARPA and classified military infrastructure over the past five decades to illegally develop and deploy BRMT as an offensive bioweapon and bioweapon delivery system. As the direct successor to MKUltra, CIA's illegal LSD drugging program, personnel managing and implementing BRMT have engaged in continuous criminal violations of law to develop neuroscience-based mind control (hijacking) in humans. As with MKUltra, original intended uses by the United States included against its own agents (to have them do a heinous deed and have it erased from memory), against American citizens, and against others, including foreign leadership targets – heads of state and other key leaders of nations.

CIA secretly brought Nazi Auschwitz and Dachau death camp doctors to America beginning in the late 1940s to help develop mind control. CIA built on this Nazi experience, with Project Artichoke in 1951, then expanded to MKUltra by Director Alen Dulles in 1953. CIA was the world's largest drug dealer while MKUltra was in its prime. During the 1973 Watergate panic, CIA destroyed the records documenting the 100 million illegally administered LSD doses, their related crimes, and the identities of the victims of these crimes. Nazi doctors were put to death for similar experiments on humans after convictions in the Nuremberg Doctor Trials of 1946-47. There was no criminal accountability for Mkultra.

But even as CIA was "coming clean" about Mkultra to Senate investigators in 1975, CIA was secretly starting up BRMT, the illegal successor program, to continue its work toward achieving its mind control objective. BRMT is a neuroscience-based mind manipulation computer-to-brain bioweapon best thought of as a system for hijacking or hacking a human brain or that of another brained animal. It is an illegal weapon system which violates U.S. law and the 1972 Bioweapons Treaty ratified by the United States. BRMT has been developed through illegal biomedical experiments on human beings, including me, without our knowledge

or consent. It was first developed as a remotely managed local device which hacks brain-based hormones. For example, three common hormones - melatonin for sleep, adrenaline for alertness, and oxytocin for romantic feelings – have been subjected to direct manipulation in human brains through these localized but remotely controlled means since at least the late 1970s.

CIA's first known lethality attempt on me as a human subject used a cell-phone transceiver in the trunk of my car. The cell phone transceiver case hid a remotely triggered local version of this hormone triggering system inside. CIA Technical Services Division personnel used it against me and my spouse in an effort to cause a melatonin induced double homicide vehicle crash over a sea cliff while approaching the Porteau Cove Overlook turnout in southern British Columbia in the 1980s. The homicide attempt failed during the melatonin overdose process because I navigated to the overlook, parked the car, and rested for a short nap. I was reawakened and fully alert as the result of a subsequent adrenaline manipulation from this device. Had the lethality attempt been successful, it would have left a King County Sheriff's Department police commander and father as the sole custodian of my wife's two teenage daughters. This and numerous other lethality attempts into 2022 using the BRMT device in its successive generations of sophistication and remote use are documented in the federal civil court filing 23-cv-415 in the District of Columbia District Court.

The modern remotely directed bioweapon system of today is vastly more sophisticated than that early version, can be deployed as a virtual device anywhere on the planet, and can be used to plant thoughts, manage emotions, create impulses and muscular actions, and manipulate body functions like breathing and heart rate, among other things. Modern technology enables remote use, so BRMT operates like a remotely piloted military drone system, sending tiny energy pulses directed to activate brain chemistry at specific addresses in the victim's brain. BRMT can be controlled and targeted against anyone anywhere by hyperaccurate real time kinematics and predictive analytics systems which reside on government supercomputers.

Quoting here from the related case in the District of Columbia District Court (DC: 23-cv-415):

"The United States has and does illegally deploy and operate Brain Remote Management Technology ("BRMT" herein) against US persons in violation of (i) the Constitution, of (ii) <u>five</u> ratified international treaties, of (iii) 18 USC § 175, and (iv) Title 42 Chapter 21 Civil Rights. The United States has and does deploy this illegal system against foreign nationals, including, without limitation, heads of state and other national leaders, in violation of the 1972 Bioweapons Treaty ratified by the United States Senate and effective in force since March 26, 1975."

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"The United States and its co-conspirators have and continue to engage in (vi) an expansive pattern of violations of human, Constitutional, and civil rights under 42 USC §§ 1981,

1985; and in (vii) an associated-in-fact pattern of racketeering acts, including, without limitation, involuntary servitude, forced labor, human trafficking, and other prohibited acts under 18 USC § 1962; against an involuntary class of U.S. persons, causing direct harm to these persons."

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"These acts and the associated-in-fact enterprise of Defendants have been, are, and will be threats to life, liberty, rights, and the rule of law, for this class of injured U.S. persons, and pose this same risk to any and all U.S. persons so long as these acts continue....."

To sustain secrecy in this Mkultra program successor, the United States, in direct and/or indirect collaboration with Article III courts, has used illegal technical printer hacks by police powers, and legal maneuvers within the courts, to suppress evidence of this system and to suppress civil actions for injuries from this system. Regardless of any obstruction and obfuscation by the Executive or by the courts, these acts and the continued use of this prohibited bioweapon and bioweapon delivery system directly violate human and civil rights and laws; imperil individual life and liberty; imperil the past, current, and future integrity of the nation's entire system of justice; and pose an existential threat to national security and the American People. Under *United States v. Reynolds* (1953), civil actions for remedies of these injuries cannot be legally suppressed since the BRMT bioweapon and bioweapon delivery system are illegal and do not qualify under law for "state secret" protection.

B. Extra-Constitutional Abuses of Presidential Authority In Offensive Acts of War and Violations of International Treaties Among Nations

Nation-state level Executive abuses of BRMT deserve a full and fair investigation with regard to former President Trump acting offensively against leadership targets in DPRK. Though I did not realize it at the time, a visual leak directed at me some years ago in the second floor elevator lobby of my current residence, not readily visible to others in the building or to the general public, concerned the use of BRMT brain hijacking on DPRK leader Kim Jung Un by former President Trump during their "Bigger Button to Bromance" interactions. I noted this visual leak but did nothing with it then as there was no reason to conclude whether this was yet another red herring visual leak (I have seen many such false visual leaks over the years) or a matter for concern.

This pattern of offensive acts of war was apparently also used against the People's Republic of China. The public statecraft of heads of state in DPRK, PRC, and Russia over the past year strongly suggests that it is a matter for concern. The timing of recent PRC leadership changes, a freeze on senior military-to-military contacts, and the PRC Premier's choice to meet with Dr. Kissinger rather than members of the current administration earlier this year, are among the clearest superpower statecraft signs that this unauthorized sequence of offensive acts of war against PRC leadership at the very least knowingly continued into the current administration, even though it likely originated in the prior administration.

If substantiated, these attacks on heads of state and other leadership targets were offensive act(s) of war which invited retaliation, to and including the use of nuclear weapons authorized under the international laws of war. Therefore, they are existential offenses against our national security without Congressional authorization compounded by knowing use of an internationally prohibited bioweapon and bioweapon delivery system (prohibited under the 1972 Bioweapons Treaty and 18 U.S.C. § 175). These likely existential offenses were and are Presidential violations of the Constitutional authority of Congress and of the War Powers Resolution. The entire responsible chain of command must be held accountable if we are to preserve the sole Constitutional authority of Congress to declare offensive war operations.

Little Boy, dropped on Hiroshima in 1945, had a total yield of about 13 to 18 kilotons, and killed around 100,000 people immediately, with many more dying of radiation sickness in the months and years which followed. A reasonable reading of the DPRK nuclear arsenal places total yield in the 700 kiloton range. This equals about 45 Hiroshima Little Boy bombs, translating to 4.5 million instantly dead. We are thirty-three minutes from the DPRK as ICBM's travel. These recent offensive acts outside Constitutional authority cannot go unnoticed, with no consequences to a perpetrator whoever that may be.

While effective deterrence through proper enforcement is very challenging, forbearances by adversaries are substantially less likely for any further provocation. The potential outcomes, 45 Hiroshimas or worse, are unthinkable. Both DOJ and Congress MUST act to thoroughly investigate these substantiated suspicions and protect the interests of the People.

C. Systematic Police Powers Pattern Crimes Against Rights and Liberty

As the MKUltra and BRMT abuses against citizens have occurred since 1953 through today, the FBI has also abused constitutional and civil rights of millions of Americans. Criminal violations and color of law abuses have persisted against people seeking to exercise their right to protest maltreatment, civil rights abuses and discrimination, several wars, and a variety of other issues. Until 1971, this official program of FBI criminal acts was internally called Cointelpro. FBI personnel spent around 30% of their total effort on this systematic program of abuses and criminal acts, and also funded violent White militias to act against Black and a variety of other activists. Cointelpro was formally shut down after being discovered by activists during an FBI office burglary in 1971.

But just like CIA continued MKUltra under a different program name using a different approach to reach its legally prohibited mind control objective, the FBI also continued its malign methods after the 1971 discovery of Cointelpro. The FBI continued co-opting private enterprises, wrecking companies, destroying families and personal reputations, and ignoring murders, hijackings, extortion, and other crimes, to continue its own agenda. To control me as CIA built out the BRMT system, I was an unwitting indentured servant in FBI's illegal deep-cover domestic intelligence operations.

My Personal Direct Experience With Police Powers Pattern Crimes

Police powers have been abusing their powers and secrecy for decades, conducting targeted operations against various groups they choose to regard with suspicion whether those suspicions have any legal basis or not. Constitutionally prohibited general searches are commonplace across police powers operations at all levels of government. They are so commonplace that most police powers do not even know where the line between legal and illegal is (more on this later). My own direct experience is emblematic and instructive of these crimes, abuses, and systemic failures of police powers accountability. Keeping in mind that I am far from the only victim, we'll walk through a few examples of these malign police powers and intelligence operations reaching back to 2007 when FBI human trafficking moved me to the New York/New Jersey area.

The company I worked for in Fort Lee, NJ for 10 months in 2007-2008 was my last allowed employment. It is also the most recent example of the long series of malign FBI spying and enterprise destruction operations in my trafficked professional experience. Some of the same people who engaged in criminal human trafficking, indentured servitude, and forced labor violations against me while employed at DOJ and FBI, were using those companies - co-opted and operating as fronts - for other malign activities. These same kinds of criminal acts and civil rights violations against individual rights and interstate enterprise continued into 2022.

Individuals directly involved in the Fort Lee, NJ company, and others involved in malign activities well before that 2007-2008 episode, have appeared in public spaces as public figures. Some of these current and former executive branch officials are identified in an enclosure to this letter. Several routinely appear as news broadcasters or legal analysts and openly acknowledge their DOJ and FBI backgrounds. So, assigning responsibility for malign color of law racketeering acts and domestic police powers abuses is not a matter of personal speculation, For example, numerous FBI field offices; past Maricopa County Sheriff Joseph Arpaio and his department; former federal agents, intelligence officers, and attorneys in CIA, DEA, and CPB; as well as NYPD, NJTPD, PAPD, and a broad spectrum of other police powers agencies, have all been directly involved in these acts. These agencies have, wittingly or unwittingly, engaged in conspiracies under color of law due to the complete lack of checks and balances on systemic malign police powers operations in the United States, driven in my case and others to cover up this illegal bioweapon system, medica experimentation on humans by the federal government, and racketeering crimes.

When I decided to access the federal courts in 2010, I was run out of my apartment of three years in one of FBI's "safe houses" in Cliffside Park, NJ to homelessness within 100 days. I was then placed in civil confinement for six months after a kangaroo-court civil hearing I did not even know about until after the fact. I met the lawyer who represented me at that hearing for the first time the week after that hearing. My psych ward treatment there included a couple of nights in a padded cell, and needles in the butt injecting medications they refused to identify. Orchestrated indirect threats of targeted violence and direct displays of violence over the following months were part of the regimen. I did have a prior history of depression induced by

BRMT abuses to and including torture while an unwitting human subject of BRMT from the 1970s forward in the State of Washington, so these indirect threats were psychologically impactful.

When I was rehoused in April 2011, police powers agencies also directed local sex traps and used directed actions toward sex sites (BRMT brain hijacking manipulations) to try to lure me into sting operations in my immediate neighborhood, despite absolutely no legal basis or reasonable belief for these predatory operations. I have never been anywhere near apaid sex operation at any time in any place. It made no difference. About \$14,000 was stolen from me between 2014 and 2018 using a faked remote girlfriend – a bunch of pictures taken from the internet, and oxytocin manipulation by BRMT brain hijacking during that long-running pattern of theft. The FBI also tried a cross-border structured payments scheme against me using this same faked girlfriend persona. I declined to participate. Again, absolutely no history, just aggressive targeting of a specific person in a wild fishing expedition against rights. My minders also engaged in overt non-verbal attempts to get me to expose them during that time, violating laws against outing undercover officers. Since there was no direct harm by them in our interactions, I declined to participate.

A similar set of police powers operations using around \$200,000 of agency or other funds in entrapment patterns was run against me beginning in 2015. This set of color of law racketeering offenses, color of law frauds against my commercial enterprise, was mostly funded in the Eastern District of California (see the federal court case 2:19-cv-01918-TLN-DB), with some field operations support by Joe Arpaio, Maricopa County, Arizona's \$100 million man (that's the rough total of civil rights damages awarded against that Sheriff's Department while he ran it) beginning in late 2014. But these racketeering practices extend much further back, into the 1980s courtesy of FBI, some other police powers, CIA hiding its BRMT crimes, and some friendly but probably unwitting foreign intelligence services, at least as to the BRMT element. These kinds of pattern offenses continue at present. For example, First Amendment violations (18 U.S.C. §§ 241, 242) restricting my free access to information and to authentic websites have been committed this week, and I do not have the right of free association on the internet as has been the case for about 20 years.

Another recent FBI color of law example - FBI's New York and Amarillo field offices conspired to entrap. FBI New York sent four agents posing as a private equity group, Sole Source Capital, to lie about positive investment intentions in a meeting at the St. Regis Hotel bar in New York City. Then they used \$12,000 of agency funds wired to me by an agent posing as a partner in CFOSearch. That funding came from a specifically adverse West Texas federal court district with a single federal judge of a particular reputation (Amarillo). This specific racketeering sequence occurred, as it has several times before, as I was again attempting to raise funds to build a website for use in interstate commerce. As with prior attempts, the website developer never quite completed the task, so I was again unable to set up a planned new company in the protein business.

One of the New York FBI field office agents operating undercover made their intent clear to me in a phone conversation about his visits from the supposed Sole Source headquarters (alleged to be California) to West Texas. This communications style is their usual tradecraft way of leaving breadcrumb voice trails, never in writing, indicating their intent, something you learn after you have been repeatedly targeted in their entrapment efforts, and in the other racketeering offenses patterns they commonly practice, such as contract fraud, mail fraud, and wire fraud (predicate acts under RICO, 18 U.S.C. § 1962).

I have tried to do this same type of interstate commercial activity repeatedly since 2011. I have been greeted by agents and other police powers posing as corporate employees discussing sales and project proposals in over two dozen corporate headquarters since 2003. Walmart, Bentonville, Arkansas; Kroger Procurement offices, Blue Vine, Ohio; Badger Meter, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Western Digital, San Jose, California; Brightstar, Miami, Florida; the list goes on and on. Each of my attempts since 2001 to engage in interstate commerce has been met with agents, with programmed failure, sometimes employing agency funds, and persistently involving wire frauds, email frauds, check frauds, contract frauds, and a variety of other frauds.

As for BRMT and CIA, they provided mini-torture sessions for my September 23, 2023 birthday celebration. I attended a Wynton Marsalis concert in New York City sitting in a box seat stage right near the back of the band. Some of my BRMT operations "friends" sat nearby. These were likely CIA personnel unless it has ceded operational control of BRMT to FBI or others. The concert included two mini-torture episodes of BRMT inflicted pain to the outer biceps femoris muscle tendon behind my right knee. The first episode was about 5 minutes duration before intermission, and the second about 15 minutes duration after intermission. Both incidents caused extreme discomfort, affirming my experience with these defendants' and their affinity for gratuitous physical pain and psychological cruelty.

Cover-ups are quite common, too. For example, NYPD admitted on September 3, 2021 that it had investigatory evidence of its own malign targeted acts against me which it would not release due to the irregular methods used. Then NYPD denied having any evidence of any interaction or any record at all related to me 12 days later. FBI then issued a coordinate "liar" letter denying any knowledge or operation just 15 days later, on September 30, 2021. This entire brazen admission/coordinated cover-up sequence unfolded over just one month, as FBI was engaged in the New York/Amarillo racketeering sequence described above, itself a followon to earlier malign targeting coordinated with NYPD and other regional police powers operations.

All of these targeted acts arose after the DOJ/FBI trafficking for indentured servitude and forced labor crimes they had committed in 2007 (described above) which brought me to the region in the first place. And the entire sequence beginning in 2007 was preceded by multiple sequences of racketeering wrecking in Washington State through 2005 and trafficking into homelessness in Boston for 21 months in 2005-2007. DOJ's Inspector General has, since

2021, twice refused my written requests for investigations. See the relevant inline exhibits at DC: 23-cv-415 (a Table of Contents listing is enclosed for your convenience).

These are just a few selected examples of police powers crimes and abuses of rights against me. I'm certainly not the only one caught up in this specific form of targeted police powers and intelligence malignancy. More detailed information and the much longer history of these police powers civil rights and racketeering crimes reaching back to my teen years is found in the D.C. District Court complaint at 23-cv-415, which documents 92 specific substantive sequences of criminal conduct by FBI, CIA, and other police powers agencies, in violation of 43 federal statutes, with the periodic assistance of foreign intelligence and police powers operations operating internationally against U.S. persons in their trading games across borders.

Public Data Demonstrates Police Powers Abuses and Repressive Incarceration

As you can see in my own experience, these police powers color of law abuse patterns repeat endlessly. And most certainly not just directed at me. Let's briefly compare some police powers benchmarks with our peers, including other higher income nations:

Nation	Police per	Incarcerated	Ranking: Most Punitive to Least Punitive Nations
	100,000	People per	(Ratio of Incarcerated People to Police per
	population	100,000	100,000 population)
Iran	75	228	3.0
United	242	531	2.2
States			
Brazil	211	389	1.8
China	143	119	0.8
Russia	516	300	0.6
England	227	143	0.6
and Wales			
Canada	184	85	0.5
South	226	103	0.5
Korea			
France	422	107	0.3
Germany	349	67	0.2
Japan	235	36	0.2

Data source: Wikipedia tables

We are second to Iran as the most punitive police powers state on this planet. With the notable exception of gun violence, we have the same set of social challenges as peer nations. Gun violence adds a modest number of offenses to the overall total offenses, but nowhere near enough to account for the **four to ten times differential in our incarceration level**.

Are the Americans people that much worse than the people of peer nations? No, of course not. We're from everywhere, only about 2% of us have even lived in North America for more than 10 generations or so. It doesn't seem very likely we're much worse as a people than everywhere else since we're from all those places.

My personal experience with targeted police powers harassment, their deprivations of rights, and their racketeering crimes, suggests this is the result of predatory policing practices, the targeting of specific people rather than of specific types of behaviors.

Former FBI Director Confessed to Prohibited Personal Targeting and General Searches

Even former FBI Director Muller has said the targeting of specific people is a pattern of practice, paraphrasing here, "if you become a target, our interest in you explodes." FBI and others have certainly engaged me for malign target practice over the past several decades, as described above. Director Muller perfectly described a general search, which the Founders intended to prohibit by the Bill of Rights.

The Founders' horror over general searches by British police powers (the King's soldiers were the police powers) was one very specific reason the anti-federalists insisted on a Bill of Rights so they would agree to the ratification of the Constitution. In compromise James Madsion, the principal author of the Constitution, wrote a package of twelve amendments in 1789. Ten of those were ratified by two-thirds of both houses, then in 1791 by two-thirds of state legislatures, to become the Bill of Rights. One of the two remaining amendments, Congress cannot raise its own pay during a session for that session, was ratified in 1992. The Third (no soldiers in homes) and Fourth (no searches without warrant) Amendments were written into the Bill of Rights specifically so the People could be secure from a future which included any version of the King's much hated general searches.

The King's troops conducted general searches in the King's North American Colonies as they wished, walking into homes unannounced, rifling through papers and possessions, tickling the daughter's chin, and walking away when and with what they wished, even to arbitrarily seizing personal and real property with no reasonable proceeding to redeem it. The Third and Fourth have come to be regarded differently by government now, as merely technocratic obstacles to police powers which must be overcome, rather than as essential elements of protecting liberty.

Quoting here from the Declaration:

"The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world."

The Declaration then lists 27 specific classes of grievances so apparently they had gripes about intrusive, overreaching government then, too. They then followed with:

"In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people."

We have civil forfeitures by police powers without seizure processes today, which resemble some of the pre-emptive actions of British soldiers back in the day. Search warrants have become a technocratic fig leaf used to claim Fourth Amendment compliance - after general searches are conducted (called intelligence operations by police powers they are fishing expeditions for anything they can find and some things they must invent), and predatory targeting of persons and groups on beliefs (not validly targeted criminal behaviors).

As for protections of People's lives, rights, and property when they are targets of federal and other police powers predatory patterns, there is

A separation of powers argument, so there is no interference with predatory police powers actions, no matter their intensity, duration, scope, or persistence.

General searches (clearly intended to be prohibited by the Founders) are these days framed as "intelligence gathering," but they are typically aimed at specific individuals and groups, not at specific illegal behaviors and patterns of illegal behaviors. So, these practices are still those same much hated general searches, whatever they may be called today. They are used constantly by police powers, to and including deprivations of rights and conspiracy against rights (18 U.S.C. §§ 241, 242) and racketeering offenses (18 U.S.C. § 1962).

It's in the long tradition of police powers operations against the perceived enemy of the day – the targets are sometimes Black people, sometimes booksellers, sometimes organic food cooperative members, sometimes the "Japanese Miracle," sometimes Muslims, (and actual criminal behaviors too, to be fair) – whatever the disfavored flavor of the moment might be. Police powers are also well known to treat internal whistleblowers like they act against anyone else who speaks against them, as targets for intimidation and reprisal.

In my direct personal experience over the past fifty years, and in my comparison of my experience to pattern of practice analysis by the Senate Intelligence Committee in 1975 (48 years ago and see enclosures).......

These general searches (predatory police powers operations) involve deliberate predatory acts to and including loss of personal and real property by indirect means, such as coordinated mail, wire, and sales frauds to block from small business revenue sources; depriving victims of valid job, career, and small business options including blocking from government small business assistance programs; extreme psychological coercion and harassment without physical contact in attempts to secure physical retaliation by the target; and many other predatory practices documented in my complaint 23-cv-415. In extreme cases

like mine and unknown numbers of others, they range to illegal human biomedical experimentation with bioweapons, to torture, and to grave Article 3 Geneva Convention war crimes (18 U.S.C. §§ 175, 2340, 3141). Nazi doctors were prosecuted by United States Department of Justice prosecutors and other rallied powers and convicted at Nuremberg for similar categories of offenses.

The day before Congress passed and President Johnson signed the 1964 Civil Rights Act, Cointelpro had been formally underway in DOJ and FBI for eight years. Cointelpro continued unchanged for seven more years after that signing ceremony at the White House. It continued unabated until its 1971 disclosure as a result of a citizen activists' burglary and subsequent media publication of FBI's own incriminating documents burglarized from FBI's own file cabinets in Media, Pennsylvania. The file cabinets were filled with headquarters memos sent to "all field offices." Notably, neither the FBI Inspector General nor the DOJ Inspector General had ever shown any interest in these pattern offenses against civil rights and the accompanying violence by various police powers agencies and departments at all levels of government. Ever.

Cointelpro was investigated along with MKUltra by the Senate Intelligence Committee in 1975. Both MKUltra and Cointelpro spanned decades. DOJ brought no charges against anyone - ever. The FBI Building is named after the unindicted leader of Cointelpro, J. Edgar Hoover. The CIA Director was promoted to Ambassador to Iran months after MKUltra was shut down and the evidence of it as the world's largest drug dealer and its direct and indirect crimes against American citizens had been safely destroyed.

The police powers pattern offenses certainly haven't been abolished by the new laws enacted in 1975 against that conduct. The conduct has simply morphed in new directions as technology has changed and carried on as before. My 48 years of experience since 1975 (and a few before then) show that. As does the broader public record. As of 2023, we now have 45 consecutive years of FISA violations (per the FISA Court), and 15 consecutive years of Section 702 violations (per Congressional hearings). The violations list is long, added to on a daily basis, and looks just like the conduct of any other scofflaw be they person, agency, or department.

Practical Realities and Alleged Rights – DOJ, Police Powers, and the Federal Courts

Let's return to my direct personal experience for a few paragraphs here, so you can understand the actual process as it occurs under federal police powers field operations. This pattern example includes some notable DC federal district court operations in 2021-2023 which wittingly or unwittingly supporting those predatory federal police powers field operations:

In September 2005, I hand delivered a Federal Tort Claims Act complaint letter to the U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Washington. I then hand delivered this same letter in Washington, D.C. when the mail did not get through to addressees at the Department of Justice and Executive Office of the President, and several members of Congress, among others. I was homeless within 120 days, trafficked first to Massachusetts homelessness, then to New Jersey federal

police powers indentured employment (again) and federal unsafe house for ten months. Forced unemployment at all times since July 2008 has followed.

Then in 2010, upon preparing a civil complaint without access to counsel due to enforced penury, and arriving at a federal Courthouse door to redress grievances in that Constitutional place of last resort:

I found myself homeless and civilly committed to a psych ward within 100 days of filing a complaint in June 2010 in the District of New Jersey case 10-3204. This civil confinement in a psych ward occurred after a state court civil commitment hearing where I was represented by counsel who had not met me. He was representing me at a hearing which I was not informed was occurring. According to an independent psychological profile, I am in the 10% of the population least likely to experience neuroses. This is somewhat at odds with the court's determination at the time of commitment, but neither I nor the court knew one another. Due process, I guess.

I voluntarily dismissed the June 2010 New Jersey federal court case in January 2011 because it is somewhat difficult to represent yourself in federal court while you are functionally confined in a psych ward, no matter how skilled you are. About three months after my voluntary dismissal, I was rehoused as directed by police powers. An implicit condition of that rehousing? A quid pro quo? I simply do not know. On March 31, 20211, I was rehoused for the further predatory police powers operations described in the complaint DC: 23-cv-415.

But all in all, this experience, so far, does sound a bit like a dissident's treatment in the former Soviet Union, or perhaps Iran, or some similarly repressive place. And you'll recall that we are second to Iran on the repressive incarceration scale mentioned earlier, so perhaps there is something more than mere speculation to this concept. We're not done yet, though.

In 2021-2022, I was denied threshold access in DC District Court largely because in complying with DC Pro Se Form 2 instructions, my complaints failed to properly state a legal claim. *Nietzke v. Williams* (1989) forbids federal courts from this form of dismissal for failure to state a claim. The novel technological arguments made about a classified neuroscience-based bioweapon were disregarded as delusional, contradicting *Denton v Hernandez* (1992). The dismissals also directly contradict the explicit reality of antilog biomedical devices which use the identical neuroscience in FDA approved human trials.

After failed attempts using the DC courts recommended form Pro Se 2, I completely reformatted my claim to a more traditional and comprehensive legal form of complaint. I was again denied threshold access to federal court in direct contradiction to the standing case law above and the DC Circuit's own case law

in *Crisafi v Holland* (1981) which states that each and every allegation made in a complaint must be specious to dismiss in whole. Forty-three federal statues, 92 distinct fact patterns, and 2,399 separate injuries are alleged in District of Columbia case 23-cv-415. During case submission, federal police powers defendants hacked the printing required by the court and clerk, then the court preemptively suppressed 86% of the evidence without review in its miscellaneous order 23-mc-014.

So, this is civil due process when criminal due process is not enforced against corrupt police powers in the United States.

During this period, I have hand delivered a copy of the initial filing in the DC federal courts to the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia. An email indicated they did not consider this to be service of process (rightly), so the complaint and the matters therein were completely disregarded (wrongly).

I have also addressed a series of letters to the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York, beginning in December 2021 and continuing into the present day with a copy of this letter hand delivered before October 10.

Nothing.

But I guess I should not have been surprised. This is the true record of the historical institutional pattern of the Department of Justice.

NO History of DOJ Prosecutions For Intelligence and Police Powers Pattern Offenses

There is NO history of ANY criminal prosecutions of <u>widespread</u> illegal federal police powers pattern criminal acts against American citizens by the Department of Justice - ever. Instead, a tacit permission structure has grown in these agencies. Those who suffered at the hands of CIA's drug dealing and FBI's Cointelpro violence and the police powers violence FBI tolerated or encouraged in other police powers operations can attest to this pattern of racketeering practices through 1975. So can I, and others I'm sure, for the 48 years since that 1975 Senate Intelligence Committee Report.

Having reported criminal racketeering and biomedical abuse by federal intelligence and police powers to three U.S. Attorney's offices – 2005 (Western Washington and DOJ Headquarters both in person), 2021 (DC in person), and 2022 (SDNY in person) - I can firmly attest there is NO effective check on federal police powers crimes and abuses under color of law against U.S. persons.

Manifest destiny for targeted people, as managed by federal police powers, is the only logical conclusion one can reach from this long-running pattern of systemic failure. It is not the Bill of Rights protecting "certain unalienable Rights." Rather, it is the NEVER checked coercive

police power of the federal government controlling People. Civil and constitutional rights for this particular citizen, and for those similarly situated, have been and are mere illusions, nothing more.

As for protecting one's own rights in an Article III court, we've already demonstrated clearly how that...... I'm not even sure what word to use here. The sentence would logically end with the word "works" but that would not be an accurate description. In any case, it only takes the average person targeted by a malign police powers operation about a year's worth of pay to get a civil rights complaint in front of a trial jury, so this sort of corrective action against federal and other police powers happens well, when exactly......

As far as I can determine, the United States Congress spends about \$18,400 on behalf of each American citizen each year across all appropriations for all purposes. About 30 cents of that is spent each year on the Founder's paramount purpose for government to exist at all, as stated in the Declaration of Independence: "...That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed...."

Certainly, not everyone involved in police powers is a law breaker who engages in misconduct, nor is all their time spent on misconduct. But Cointelpro consumed about 30% of FBI's nationwide field operations as a pattern of nationwide felonies. There is a long-running pattern of tacit permissions structures, and systemic misconduct. It is often hidden at the federal level behind the "state secrets" curtain for the convenience of those who are criminals with badges and who wish to avoid any and all adverse publicity with the assistance of the federal court system. These public employees can and do rise to command positions over time, corrupting their organizations still further. We are there.

Congress funds the National Transportation Safety Board to systematically investigate mass transportation equipment failures. NHTSA does the same for motor vehicles. And FMCSA does the same for motor carriers. But when it comes to police and intelligence powers predations that can take and destroy lives, particularly those that hide this behind the federal smoke screen called "state secrets," we have well, we have a pattern of criminal racketeering without indictments ever being brought, that's the undeniable 153 year DOJ track record. No justice, only cover-ups. I would (do) know. I have spent five decades in this exact position.

Congress can act to add effective protections from intelligence and police powers predators. An independent field deployed organization with about 10% of the total resources of federal police powers and intelligence agencies, around 15,000 people, would do the job at the federal level. Identical powers focused solely on police powers operations and behaviors, with no crossover transfers or promotions into regular federal police powers operations so as to avoid any deliberate headhunting of specific police powers personnel for the purpose of self-promotion.

Congress' decision to spend 30 cents per person per year on the government's paramount reason for existence - to protect the rights of citizens - is your statement of values and priorities. Congress has failed us, all of us. You can choose to do better. You must.

D. Prejudiced Access to Wildly Inefficient Article III Courts

Access to federal courts is Constitutionally intended as the place of last resort for the redress of individual grievances, including systemic police powers abuses. Federal courts are extremely expensive to access and very slow to act, so federal civil justice is wildly uneven, mostly reserved for the very few among us of greatest wealth. While Congress first provided for indigent access in 1892, the courts still have enormous challenges providing timely access fairly granted. One day of paid legal representation before a federal court is approximately equal to one month's rent for a lower middle income family. And federal adjudication processes are measured in years, even in the most basic matters, assuming access is even granted.

My own experience with the courts, regarding issues of federal state secrets crimes which are technologically daunting for nearly everyone to understand and include legally challenging Nuremberg-worthy issues such as illegal BRMT biomedical experiments on and abuses of humans, and the police powers racketeering and misconduct cover-up described earlier in this letter, is instructive. The multiple threshold failures of courts to meet case law standards in *Crisafi*, *Denton* and *Nietzke* by federal courts in the District of Columbia is instructive. It leads us through the flawed appeals process to a totally discretionary decision by the Supreme Court whether or not to even consider the rights of all to fairly access federal courts brought by petition and docketed as 22-7805.

SCOTUS Cert Petition Excerpt

"REASONS FOR GRANTING THE PETITION

Reason 1: Repeated errors in applying precedent and profoundly flawed appellate review processes have and do prejudice the rights of in forma pauperis and pro se plaintiffs in the wrongful exercise of discretion in *sua sponte* orders of the courts in the District of Columbia circuit. This is the inescapable conclusion as to eight district court judges in nine badly flawed *sua sponte* orders and six circuit court judges in two badly flawed appellate *sua sponte* reviews and orders, all of are mandated by this Court to comply with the *Denton* precedent. Each and every order issued dismissing matters *sua sponte* failed to conform. The rights of this and other in forma pauperis plaintiffs have been violated repeatedly these courts from at least 2021 to the present. This Court must exercise its supervisory authority provided in Rule 10(a) and 10(c) to correct these widespread systemic deprivations of rights and failures to comply with this Court's *Denton* mandate which include specific standards for "intelligent appellate review."

Reason 2: As affirmed by this circuit court, the district courts also prejudiced the rights of this and all other in forma pauperis litigants in presenting Pro Se Form 2 on its website for an extended period of time. Complying with the repeated instructions on that form: "Do not make legal arguments" was a principal reason for nearly two years of in forma pauperis pro se *sua*

sponte dismissals in this plaintiff's case alone. The circuit court affirmed this district court systemic failure as to this plaintiff in 2022 in 22-5158. This circuit and these district courts' non-compliance with the Denton mandate have prejudiced the rights of this plaintiff fatally if this petition is not granted, and very likely permanently and fatally prejudiced the rights of other in forma pauperis and pro se litigants in other matters in this circuit. Rule 10 supervisory corrective action must be applied to this material deviation from fair jurisprudence.

Reason 3: These courts preemptively and without review violated, then affirmed violation, of this in forma pauperis' right to file 86% of the evidence, as plaintiff reported immediately after these defendants had been and were hacking his computer and printer. Plaintiff twice offered electronic evidence and was twice refused the right to file, so was never entered, seen, heard, or reviewed. These requests were made seven days prior to filing in 23-mc-014, and actively through a court assistant during the time of the physical paper filing of the complaint 23cv-0415. The plaintiff's attempt to enhance the record using email attachments were then hopelessly scrambled by the clerk's office when offered in the only remaining piecemeal fashion which could be used for any submission based upon weeks of requests and denials at the direction of the court and the clerk. These District of Columbia federal courts erroneous acts, purposeful and hostile or ignorant and inconsiderate, were affirmed by the circuit court. Constitutional rights and court legitimacy and fairness are at stake for those forced to file in forma pauperis pro se by life circumstances or actively hostile defendants with infinitely superior resources and powers which can be abused under color of law. Basic jurisprudential fairness and a series of fundamental violations of the *Denton* mandate both indicate yet another Rule 10(a) supervisory intervention is mandated.

In this matter, the circuit court's *sua sponte* affirmations at 23-5052 of the district court's *sua sponte* dismissals at 23-cv-0415 CM/ECF # 10 completely ignored and give absolutely no weight to:

- a. 92 specific examples of injuries and color of law abuses in the complaint which represent the full array of lethality attempts, personal injuries, commercial injuries, and national security related pretexting by these defendants over time, listed in Appendix E hereto.
- b. 43 compensable federal statutory forms of injury and violations of rights, and dozens of related state statutory injuries and violations,
- c. 20 interline evidentiary exhibits in the body of underlying complaint itself contains which document, among many other things, strong evidence of intentional color of law pattern of practice abuses which comprise associated-in-fact enterprises under 18 U.S.C. 1962(b),(c), and (d) by federal police powers and intelligence operations, and their co-defendant police powers partners. One of these interline exhibits presents very strong circumstantial evidence of a September 2021 coordinated cover-up and denial by two defendant police powers operations (FBI and NYPD) after an initial admission by one of those defendants (NYPD) which acknowledged in writing it's possession of material evidence while declining to furnish that evidence to the plaintiff. Further interline evidence includes (i) plaintiff's then unwitting interactions with, and predicate acts by, a police powers defendant who has been previously federally judged liable multiple times for related civil rights offenses, resulting in over

\$100 million in damage awards to other plaintiffs (Joseph Arpaio, Maricopa County, Arizona Sherriff until 2018 and former 25 year federal DEA agent in Latin América). Also included is abundant evidence of purposeful professional entanglements of the unwitting plaintiff in national security sensitive matters as pretext for ongoing federal color of law abuses, which include civilian commercial cover domestic legend building for international intelligence acquisition platform projects (1980s), nuclear technologies used in reactor and submarine operations (1990s), and rocket and satellite technologies used in military applications (1990s), and trafficking and forced labor (throughout).

d. 10,059 pages of facts and evidence, preemptively suppressed by the defendant, then immediately thereafter by the district court, which include essential evidence of predicate acts and other extensive violations of United States Code Title 18, Title 42 Chapter 21, and of five ratified international treaties by these defendants,

The circuit court affirmed this entire pattern of prejudicial rejection without review, overt suppression of evidence by the district court, first in the circuit's willful disallowing of a hearing or any factual development in its own *sua sponte* dismissal and affirmation, then again in its refusal to rehear what it had not heard in the first place. It invested two sentences by a judge's clerk in a no-compliant non-review and then one additional sentence in refusing a request for rehearing, joining the district court in trashing the plaintiff's constitutional right to have these facts be fairly considered and developed in an adversarial proceeding as required under this court's *Denton* mandate, 28 U.S.C. § 1915, and our Constitution.

The courts fundamental Constitutional reason to exist for citizens is to be the place of last resort to correct wrongs, including government abuses, redress profound overreaches, and preserve individual rights, so these broad precedential failures and process abuses in this important circuit MUST be reviewed by this Court under its standards at Rule 10(a):

"a United States court of appeals has entered a decision in conflict with the decision of another United States court of appeals on the same important matter; has decided an important federal question in a way that conflicts with a decision by a state court of last resort; or has so far departed from the accepted and usual course of judicial proceedings, or sanctioned such a departure by a lower court, as to call for an exercise of this Court's supervisory power;"

AND at Rule 10(c):

"a United States court of appeals has decided an important question of federal law that has not been, but should be, settled by this Court, or has decided an important federal question in a way that conflicts with relevant decisions of this Court."

Reason 4: Finally, and Most Profoundly, when proven, the underlying matter before the courts here involves a grave threat to the public safety generally and the individual rights of U.S. persons have been systematically and durably violated by the federal executive acting outside its Constitutional and legal authorities. It is not some imaginary threat, as it uses existing technologies in a prohibited computer to brain bioweapon system, and has modern commercial antilogs, beneficial brain to computer medical devices which are in active use treating medical issues in the brain in FDA human trials. Many other technologies have come from defense and

intelligence applications to commercial uses, such as GPS, digital communications, and the internet. This one has not and must be put in its proper [place, not continue to be use too inflict biomedical and worse harms no people.

The illegal bioweapon and bioweapon delivery system which undergirds this entire matter, has been, is being, and will continue to be illegally developed and used on U.S. persons as human subjects, and has been, is being, and will be, illegally operated in secret, directly violating 18 U.S.C. Chapter 10 and the ratified 1972 treaty *Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction*, (effective in force March 26, 1975), if this Court fails to permit full and fair development of facts in an adversarial proceeding in accordance with the constitutional rights to redress of grievances which are guaranteed to even the least among us in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1915. More lives will be lost and destroyed if this litigation is not permitted.

The federal executive at all levels is simply too invested in avoiding domestic and international repercussions to protect individual rights, comply with the Constitution and laws in this matter. Political office holders run and hide when requested to assist with this issue, as they have repeatedly in this plaintiff's experience which include being cut from mailing lists, having mail and emails intercepted and diverted or "lost," and by a long running series of technology hacks, some requiring the purchase of replacement equipment, by these defendants. These patterns are identical to the patterns demonstrated by the Justice Department, and other elements of the federal executive as the CIA's MKUltra and FBI's Cointelpro scandals against individual rights of millions of Americans unfolded in the 1970s. Self-preservation and self-exculpation were and are the paramount values their patterns of actions and failures to act have and do demonstrate.

This offensive bioweapon and delivery system is a surreptitious computer to brain interface used remotely to indirectly manipulate the brain, abusing human subjects, and an antilog (opposite in function but based upon the same scientific principles and existing technologies) to Synchron commercial biomedical devices in FDA approved human trials in New York since 2022. This Synchron medical device is a brain to computer interface which assists humans to overcome symptoms and limitations imposed by brain disorders and disabling brain disease progressions. A second FDA approval for human trials of a similar antilog medical device was granted to Neuralink, an Elon Musk funded company, on May 25, 2023.

Yes, this sounds fantastic to the uninitiated. That is understandable. Yellowstone National Park was widely known by the knowledgeable as a trapper's delusion for about 40 years, and dismissed as a drunken fantasy, before it became the world's first national park for the people rather than for a monarch. Satellite television shows old television re-runs 24 hours per day, it was pressed into existence in the aftermath of defense spending beginning in the late 1950s after the beep of Sputnik brought existential fear to America. And imagine sitting in a liquid fueled metal tube six miles in the sky traveling at 85% of the speed of sound – enjoy your Summer break.

But also give profound consideration to the realities faced by some of us on a daily basis at the hands of malign overreach:

- a. these defendants include an overreaching federal executive with police powers and intelligence operations, and state and local partners at first unwittingly entangled, then tightly bound by their own overreach to this federal pattern of overreach, and invested in an outcome, not justice,
- b. the profound reality that the Justice Department has <u>never</u> pursued systemic institutional corruption in federal departments and agencies in its entire 153 year history of full-time existence. For example, (i) FBI's Cointelpro crimes against thousands of people over 15 years were run out of an office across the hall from J. Edgar Hoover, (ii) FBI's protection of the criminal gang leader Whitey Bulger, known throughout FBI for 15 years as a strangler, extortionist, and truck hijacker, but the entire responsibility was hung on one agent who ran Bulger as, all the while, the entire agency management team knew his criminal activities, and (iii) the intelligence community (e.g., CIA's MKUltra and 100 million doses of LSD for unsuspecting Americans. No management accountability for direct harms, aiding and abetting harms, conducting felony and destroying evidence (obstructing justice). These are fact-based American realities under our federal executive, which overreaches, claims legal exemptions, and runs to hiding behind whatever subterfuge it can find, including the classical criminal blame the victim strategy,
- c. by acknowledging these realities of our system and its documented history, you are forced to the inescapable conclusion that this underlying case 23-cv-0415 will have profound impacts for the rights of individuals, for the rule of law, for any hope of halting color of law abuses of police, war, and other Constitutional powers by the federal executive. Any failure to allow the facts to be fully developed despite the protestations of an overreaching federal executive does and will directly threaten, as it most recently has on three occasions in late 2022, the life and safety of the plaintiff, of others similarly situated, and of the general public.

Injured plaintiffs are constitutionally entitled to contest the malign actions of any party in Article III courts under the Fourth and Fifth Amendments. If that adversarial proceeding is not permitted, one must inevitably conclude Article III courts in the District of Columbia function primarily to protect the interests of the federal executive in these matters, not civil liberties.

That would be anothema to liberty and to individual rights, and that in turn would place the Article III courts of the United States in an utterly untenable position."

End of excerpt. It speaks for itself. Just two more points about Rights and Liberty here.

Rights and Liberty Point One - Practical Access Is Not Afforded to Citizens

My attempts to get the broad issue of in forma pauperis pro se federal court access granted by Congress in 1892, but functionally disregarded by numerous DC federal courts in 2021-2023, has itself been met with resistance by the Supreme Court Clerk and the U.S. Postal Service. The Clerk's office has thrice returned letters addressed to the Chief Justice in his administrative capacities overseeing the DC circuit and as Judicial Conference Chair. The Clerk's office refuses them as not properly brought before the Court, despite the fact they are clearly

labeled as First Amendment political speech criticizing federal court operations broadly. These letters also clearly state that the specific personal matter related to in forma pauperis pro se litigants is being considered in the usual Constitutionally mandated fashion, citing the cert petition number 22-7805 issued by the Clerk's office. Most recently, the U.S. Postal Service has refused to enter certified mail to its delivery system at the Post Office in Edgewater, NJ regarding this issue and the reporting of criminal acts under 18 U.S.C. § 4 to the Chief Justice and to three federal executive branch officials. I am again forced to attempt hand delivery of those letters in Washington, D.C. on October 10, 2023.

Rights and Liberty Point Two — Real Sacrifices By People, Incrimination and Retaliation by Police Powers

My great-great grandfather served in the Civil War, Company C, 2D New York Cavalry. As a Quaker pacifist he bore no weapon. He was Company C's bugler, promoted to Private, and ended the war as a Corporal. For four years, he rode his horse to sound his bugle, wheeling the troops on his Company Commander's order, fighting for the Union, and for freedom for the enslaved. He won the Medal of Honor for his unarmed dash to snatch a Confederate engineering battalion flag from behind enemy lines at Appomattox. He now lies in Quaker Cemetery in Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, New York.

His great-great grandson and others of his descendants, as well as others not yet know to us all, have been functionally indentured by the United States since at least the 1970s, including by elements of the Department of Justice, in continuing violations of the Thirteenth Amendment ratified in 1865.

"Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction."

This indentured servitude repeats a pattern experienced by the enslaved, who were ostensibly freed, then sold out in a corrupt political bargain which ended Reconstruction in 1877. Their rights were thereafter systematically abridged using the rules of the United States Senate until a police powers assassination of one victim led to the televised public police powers beatings on the Edmund Pettus Bridge in 1964. But FBI continued its Cointelpro civil rights violations of these and other Americans anyway. The Civil Rights Act of 1964 caused no change in their behavior.

I'm a 68 year old White guy who got an advanced degree at one of President Lincoln's land grant universities. But who, among others, has never been truly free because the United States CIA chose to do Nazi-style bioweapons development on the backs of some among the People for fifty years. This federal program of BRMT human experimentation and involuntary indentured servitude was and is a program very much like those for which Nazi doctors were criminally prosecuted by the United States and allied powers in 1946. Its backed by federal

police powers including FBI, and other police powers they have dragged into their civil rights and racketeering conspiracy. These intelligence and police powers field operations in the United States commit those same patterns of civil rights and racketeering crimes as in MKUltra and Cointelpro hidden from the public from the early 1950s into the 1970s, and from any criminal consequences ever.

There are more BRMT and racketeering crimes victims among the People. Since the United States won't look – that is what DOJ and the federal courts have told us by their actions - I'm beginning our search for the other victims. I know a few, they'll know more. We'll work together and out these criminal practices one way or another. We have public tools today we did not have in the 1970s.

But truly, Congress owns this one too. Lawless intelligence and police powers executives and operatives aren't using their personal retirement accounts to fund these illegal operations. You appropriate every dollar used every year by the Executive branch to violate the Constitution and laws. And 30 cents every year to protect each citizen's rights.

As a quick reminder, the federal executive has so much respect for the separation of powers, the intelligence community directly surveilled and spied on Senate Intelligence Committee staff while Senator Feinstein ran an inquiry into their violations of our Senateratified Torture Treaty.

Is this what my great-great grandfather fought for and what millions have died for then and since - the best pathetic response our Article I, II, and III branches can muster at this moment in 2023? A corrupt political bargain of silence, complicity, and deprivation of rights in full public view, with a side of yet-to-be broadly understood existential risk to the entire nation by unauthorized acts of war by Presidents?

I think not.

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We elect representatives to act as leaders and meet these challenges, not evade them. Unfortunately, for a considerable time now, the answers coming from Washington, D.C., have been of "kick the can down the road" quality rather than "solve the damn problem" quality. We simply cannot afford to "kick the can" again and again. That road will end at some point. We will be unable to regain global credibility based upon our word as a nation. We will be unable to sell our debt at any reasonable price. As 4% of the world's population, we will be unable to stand alone and without allies in this world.

Instead, imperiled by these grave and self-inflicted accountability and policy failures of Congress, our ability to even remain the seriously flawed democracy we are today is an open question. Congress cannot manage itself well enough to pass broadly agreed policy into law. It does not effectively check an out of control Executive which will not manage its own affairs in

compliance with our Constitution and our laws. These policy failures must be transformed to policy fixes or the nation we have inherited from our Founders and forebears will itself pass.

Will the Senate change its rules to operate as the simple-majority governed body the Founder's intended, ending its obstructive role which is "altogether unfit for the administration of the Union?"

Will Congress do the People's business, seriously addressing unauthorized offensive acts of war; the policy issues mentioned here; and obstacles to long-term national competitiveness, including willful fiscal recklessness?

Will Congress act to adopt policies which benefit us broadly, many of which are already generally agreed among the public, or merely sabotage and obstruct as before the will of the majority for the convenience of one in a minority?

Many other democracies do hold leaders and bureaucracies accountable when they violate their Constitution and laws. Peru, France, Italy, Germany, and other advanced democracies have and do hold leaders criminally liable when needed. Most democracies are managing to address these serious policy issues forthrightly. The European Union has managed many of the same policy tasks to much greater success than we have. The EU Parliament is a fractious body of 705 people, 8 major parties, and 27 distinct national interests. We have just 2 parties in one nation. But they do not have our Senate's obstructive rules.......so they're able to implement into law what our Senate, on the whim of one, can stall for 100 years at a time.

Kindly be about the People's business – policy solutions not partisan posturing - or the remaining 19% may join us in finding some who will. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: LP Evidentiary Exhibits – BRMT Racketeering Key Federal Officials and Crimes

Combined, BRMT Racketeering Key Summary Offenses

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District of Columbia District Court Complaint 23-cv-415 excerpt pages 21-69 (Research note - some addresses in original complaint caption were hacked by

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North Korea Nuclear Weapons Arsenal New Estimates of Size

October 10, 2023

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In re: Open Letter to Congress – Part 2: A Constellation of Policy Failures Leaves America Less Equal, More Restive, and Threatens our Long Term Viability as a Nation

Gentlemen:

The United States faces a series of existential threats to national security and the Constitutional order, as well as key challenges to our democracy, and long postponed reforms essential to responsible management of our economy. The People expect Congress to meet these challenges. It has not – a 19% approval rating says that as clearly as it can be said.

Part 2 addresses the broad array of policy failures, key challenges to our democracy, reckless management of our economy and of national fiscal health over the past forty years including a series of unmet economic, social, public safety, and national security challenges which imperil our nation, from long-running detrimental fiscal policy choices to undemocratic devices, means, and rules which operate against the broad interests of the People and favor the interests of an exclusive few.

Briefly summarized, these "kick the can" Congressional policy failures and deferrals are:

Existential Challenges to Democracy and the World

- E. Irrational Policies Toward Tools of Public Violence and Related Product Liability (page 2)
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Systemic Policy Failures Undermining Rights And Equality of Opportunity

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Forty Years of Congressional Policy Failures and Obstruction Must End

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Economic Discontent and Propaganda Obscuring Its Root Causes are a Toxic Mix (page 34)

Americans Still Turn Out - In Record Numbers (page 35)

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Policy Can Serve the People, Congress Must (page 37)

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Existential Challenges to Democracy and the World

E. Irrational Policies Toward Tools of Public Violence and Related Product Liability

Federal gun safety legislation passed in 2022, and hailed as a breakthrough of a 30 year impasse (Senate rules being what they are), accomplished the following change in outcomes:

GunViolenceArchive.com	2021	2022	2023
			(projected as of
			September 22, 2023)
Mass shootings – 4 or more	690	647	702, based
victims			upon 506 to date

In other words, this major breakthrough in gun safety has had no impact whatsoever. It is wholly insufficient to the problem but was all that Congress could accomplished. As usual, Senate rules gave us a very watered down compromise which accomplished nothing more than

media coverage for politicians, not the policy changes already broadly agreed by the public in poll after poll on this set of issues.

People are about as intelligent and foolish today as they were in 1960. But there are nearly twice as many of us these days (338 million) as there were then (180 million). We operate many more vehicles over significantly longer distances at significantly higher highway speeds. Yet we kill only about the same number of people in road accidents now as we did in 1960, because we have improved the vehicles we operate, the roads we operate on, and aggressively enforce rules related to driving under influence.

So, taking this approach as our counterpoint, we could relax the motor vehicles laws and safety standards, just as we have gun laws in many places, and achieve a similarly lethal result.

Cars to Guns - Comparing Outcomes (Deaths) In Similar Legal/Regulatory Environment						
	Motor Vehicle Laws and Safety Standards	To make motor vehicle laws and standards the same as gun laws and standards	Pistol/Rifle/Assault Weapon Equivalent			
Intended as lethal equipment	No, though usable for this purpose in certain circumstances	Eliminate safety measures and most licensing requirements	Yes, intended for this purpose			
Maximum capacity to end life	Under current laws and vehicle environment, mass pileups can end a few lives in certain circumstances (1.5 deaths per 100 million miles in 2020)	Eliminate certain laws to restore 1960s vehicle environment and return to 5.3 deaths per 100 million miles traveled in 1960	Single assault weapon high capacity magazine can terminate up to 100 lives in less than 90 seconds			
Safety laws and rules	Yes	Limited	Limited, fully automatic weapons prohibited			
Speed limits	Required in all jurisdictions	Eliminate to match gun law absence				
Passing rules	Required in all jurisdictions	Eliminate to match gun law absence				
Following distance rules	Required in all jurisdictions	Eliminate to match gun law absence				
Commercial truck laws	Required in all jurisdictions	Eliminate to match gun law absence				
Weight limits	Required in all jurisdictions	Eliminate to match gun law absence				
Braking standards	Required in all jurisdictions	Eliminate to match gun law absence				

Cars to Guns - Comparing Outcomes (Deaths) In Similar Legal/Regulatory Environment **Motor Vehicle Laws** Pistol/Rifle/Assault To make motor and Safety Standards vehicle laws and Weapon Equivalent standards the same as gun laws and standards Commercial vehicle Required in all Eliminate to match jurisdictions gun law absence inspections Commercial hours of Required in all Eliminate to match iurisdictions service rules gun law absence Minimum age rules Yes Yes Required in all Eliminate to match Safety equipment jurisdictions gun law absence Yes, trigger safety lock Seat belts Required in all jurisdictions Required in all Eliminate to match Safety glass jurisdictions gun law absence Side collision protection Required in all Eliminate to match jurisdictions gun law absence Eliminate to match Fuel location and Required in all impact design jurisdictions gun law absence Anti-lock brakes Required in all Eliminate to match jurisdictions gun law absence Anti-theft devices Required in all Eliminate to match jurisdictions gun law absence Environmental safety Required in all Eliminate to match measures jurisdictions gun law absence Required in all Highway design Eliminate to match standards jurisdictions gun law absence Crash barriers Required on interstate Eliminate to match gun law absence system Jersey barriers Required in some Eliminate to match jurisdictions gun law absence Traffic control signs and Required in all Eliminate to match jurisdictions gun law absence signals Prohibited places of use Required in all Retain Retain iurisdictions

	Cars Under 2020 Laws	Cars Under 1960 Laws (think of this as	Guns Under Legal Rollback of Laws to
		open carry for cars)	Open Carry (e.g.,
			California before Gov.
			Reagan's 1967 gun law
			eliminated open carry)
Lives lost (1960)		38,137 actual lives	26,001 (0.4 firearms per
		lost in 1960 (5.3	person) 14.5
		deaths/100MM miles)	deaths/100,000 people
Lives lost (2020)	42,338 (based upon	149,594 (Projected	43,551 (1.2 firearms per
	1.5 deaths/100 million	2020 deaths in cars by	person)
	miles in 2020)	using the actual 5.3	13.3 deaths/100,000
		deaths/100 million	people
		miles death rate from	
		1960)	
Drivers/Gun	222 million drivers, 2		72 million gun owners, 6
Owners (2020)	deaths per 10,000		deaths per 10,000 gun
	drivers per year.		owners per year.
	107,256 lives are saved per year by modernizing vehicle and highway design from 1960 standards.	Progress on gun safety laws comparable to auto safety reforms would save about 31,225	The last significant safety feature added to weapons was a gun safety lock added around 1865.

We might also consider the commonsense example of a town in Arizona Territory in 1881, where an 1850s Indian War was still in progress in the region. The town's 2,152 inhabitants were mostly former Confederate soldiers who had suffered high casualties in the Civil War. Some of their neighbors rustled the cattle for the town's beef supply from Mexican ranches a couple of days ride to the south, so the Mexican Army's cavalry could ride over the horizon chasing rustlers at any time. As war veterans, they knew something about guns too, even though they only had six shooters and repeating rifles, not semi-automatic weapons with high capacity magazines. They enforced their gun laws – the shoot-out at the OK Corral on October 26, 1881, was an enforcement action by the Town Marshal, enforcing Tombstone City Council Ordinance 9, adopted six months earlier on April 19, 1881:

1. It is hereby declared unlawful for any person to carry deadly weapons, concealed or otherwise (except the same be carried openly in sight, and in the hand) within the limits of the City of Tombstone.

- 2. This provision does not extend to persons immediately leaving or entering the city who with good faith and within reasonable time dispense with their deadly weapons.
- 3. All officers of the law and their deputies are not bound by this decree in the execution of their duties.
- 4. Any person or persons violating this ordinance shall be found guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined a sum of two hundred and fifty dollars or shall be imprisoned in the city jail for 30 days or both.

Moving back from 1881 Tombstone to 2023: Together with zero product liability for weapons manufacturers, we have the perfect storm of lightweight rapid fire semi-automatic weapons, high capacity magazines, dense crowds of people, a progression from some enforcement to virtually no ability to enforce in the public square under open carry laws, and systematic provocations of angry and emotionally vulnerable people through both provocative political speech and on-line hate forums which promote and provoke violence.

We also have Senate rules which are "altogether unfit for the administration of the Union" (according to Hamilton writing in Federalist 22), where one person can block any progress on any topic, and a majority guard this anti-simple majority prerogative zealously, so little gets accomplished despite the overwhelming will of the People. Essential reforms, such as gun safety legislation broadly agreed - some empowering essential elements of our Constitution, such as equality without regard to race, gender, orientation - as well as public safety, individual rights, immigration, voting, health care access and cost efficiency, rebalancing of police powers to protect rights, national security command appointments impacting readiness – all are blocked by anti-simple majority rules the Senate was never intended to possess.

People die from actions and failures to act baked into "altogether unfit" Senate rules. Hundreds of years of overwhelmingly desired progress across the entire array of pressing national issues – blocked by the penultimate chamber of policy dysfunction – the United States Senate.

F. The Epic Policy Failure of Our War on Drugs Impacts America and Latin American

Shortly before the United States Central Intelligence Agency formally retired from being the world's largest drug dealer in 1973, President Nixon declared the "war on drugs" in 1971. CIA's secret war on the American people began with a few experiments in 1951 (Project Artichoke). With Nixon as Vice President, CIA Director Dulles (the airport some members must use each week is named after this person) expanded this Congressionally funded program to become MKUltra in 1953. CIA ran over 149 LSD projects against American and Canadian citizens. Some projects spanned more than a decade in a variety of places — universities, prisons, hospitals, brothels, and other public and private spaces. The unsuspecting American and Canadian victims were never medically screened for preexisting health conditions nor was

any other consideration shown, they were just more cannon fodder for CIA, unwitting victims of no knowledge, non-consent druggings with 100 million doses of LSD.

The rest of the American public were subjected to the random violence of these hallucinating LSD victims, who lose all usual social inhibitions, impulse control, socialized filters, and other inhibitions on adult behaviors. With LSD in charge, a church pastor is as likely to kill as easily as a convicted serial murderer, based solely upon this drug-induced loss of impulse control. A hallucinating driver can roll across the center line and kill just as easily as a severely drunken driver. CIA let these LSD drugged victims loose to do whatever they chose to do and watched quietly from afar. None of this was widely known to the public or to the local police departments stuck with the resulting carnage.

Nixon, knowing of MKUltra and the carnage CIA had spread across North America in crimes against Americans and Canadians from 1953, declared the "War on Drugs" in 1971. Given the federal government's gradual phase-out in the late 1960s and early 1970s as the dealer of 100 million doses of LSD to American and Canadian citizens and soldiers without their knowledge or consent, was Nixon's 1971 "War on Drugs" declaration:

- (a) grotesque hypocrisy by an American President 15 months before the next election,
- (b) a burst of sincerity and honesty by a suddenly enlightened President Nixon, or
- (c) an intentional political distraction of the recently converted and suddenly selfrighteous federal government pronouncing policy to benefit Mr. President of the War on Drugs After the CIA Was Found Out, I Was Vice President When This All Started, And I Really Need to Get Reelected, Richard Nixon?

I guess it doesn't matter much because the answer to each of these three rationales for this declaration of war are identical anyway.

Regardless, the American People found out about CIA's criminal MKUltra LSD drugging program and about FBI's companion racketeering war, Cointelpro, against the American People through news headlines in 1971 and 1973, and the Senate Intelligence Committee hearings in 1975. There is more bad news these days – because that history of secret federal wars on the American People is rhyming yet again.

A Personal Aside: When Government Operated Drugs, Crimes, and Justice Programs Fall Short

BRMT is CIA's current long-running chapter of its wars on the American People without Constitutional authority. It has also very probably used on other nations' leadership targets without Congressional authorization for offensive acts of war illegally ordered by Presidents, as discussed in Part One of this letter. BRMT directly hijacks human brains for biomedical abuse and manipulation using neuroscience and modern technologies to directly drive changes in the brain chemistry which controls thoughts and actions. The Nuremberg Doctors Trials of 1946-1947 concerned very similar conduct by Nazi doctors — a long-running series of criminal experiments on humans under the Nazis direct control.

Comparable MKUltra human experimentation without consent criminal trials never happened in the United States. The direct evidence was nearly all destroyed. Obstruction charges for the criminal destruction of that vital evidence of decades of criminal acts were never pursued by DOJ.

BRMT abuse to the level of torture, and the racketeering crimes used to cover it up and control the victims, are nearly identical in practice to those two earlier wars on the American People. The only real difference – it's now been running for <u>five</u> decades, rather than <u>two</u> decades. And it's easier to hack or hijack human brains remotely now than it was to physically distribute 100 million LSD pills and make sure those pills were actually used by the unwitting victims.

So, is the carnage of these five decades greater or less than MKUltra and Cointelpro? I offer my own well-informed experience as a testimonial.

CIA Director Turner walked past me with a knowing stare one afternoon in Spring 1979 in the National Gallery of Art East Building rotunda as I was visiting on the tail end of an MBA recruiting interview trip to GTE (now part of Verizon) headquarters in Stamford, Connecticut. I was already a lead victim of BRMT, though that was obviously unknown to me at the time.

The cover-up of MKUltra, Cointelpro, and other government spying and direct intrusions on civilians during the 1950s to early 1970s matched the intensity of the cover-up of these issues being attempted bizarrely and in full public view now. There has been no change in federal institutional attitudes or practices against U.S. victims of illegal federal programs since the MKUltra and Cointelpro era. Harassment, intimidation, retaliation, threats, direct actions, and endless attempts to transfer the blame to victims, to hide evidence, and to self-exculpate persist now exactly as they did in those decades and every decade since - through the current moment.

Will the BRMT and related racketeering Article III trials of federal officials begin soon? Will the Congressional hearings on abuses of war powers by Presidents and against the guaranteed Constitutional rights of the involuntarily indentured begin soon?

Or do we not have the moral clarity and courage these days to pursue justice against the interests of a malign government which exercises authority outside the bounds of Constitutional authority and of common human morality – the same bounds for which American prosecutors held Nazi doctors and leaders responsible at Nuremberg, to and including the imposition of the death penalty?

Neither criminality nor moral repugnancy bear a specific nationality. Neither does justice. But justice is only alleged. Justice nor even the faint hope of justice is currently in evidence before any court, nor even permitted to enter the federal courts. My own direct experience with U.S. Attorneys and federal courts over the past two decades plainly

demonstrates this pattern of practice. The uninterrupted pattern of federal institutional failure and tacit permission structures persists.

Returning to The Broader Drugs Policy Failure

Returning now from this specific issue of CIA's illegal BRMT abuse of brain "drugs" to the broader epic policy failure of our nation's "War on Drugs"

What does matter about this epic policy failure is our continuing casualty rate from this failed war on drugs strategy – around 300 dead people each day, plus a couple of dozen more drug related gun deaths in turf wars and drug related robberies each day. Beyond our borders, there are many thousands more dead, terrorized, and running for their lives toward our southern border, as a result of violence in the narco-states our money for drugs has establish in Latin America. The rise of the narco-state, as noted in Mexican disappearances and mass graves, and in the recent assassination of an anti-corruption Presidential candidate in Ecuador, have arisen because the drug dealers require safe areas to base their drug manufacturing and to store the container loads of hundred dollar bills and semi-automatic weapons they receive from America's drug consumers and gun manufacturers.

It is American demand and the money it brings that drives most of this cycle of violence and death in the Americas. Drugs are a demand driven industry, otherwise there would be no supply. Supply arises from demand – not the other way around. So, the penultimate responsibility for this hemispheric problem lies in our policy choices, not in the hands of some drug lord. Why do I say it this way, not blaming the drug lords for the addiction, pain, and death to which they most certainly contribute?

By way of example, when did you last consult your ice salesperson for your next order? Probably never, you have a refrigerator and an ice maker, so you do not need an ice salesman. But if you had lived in an earlier age, you would have been keenly interested in securing your perishable food with ice. It was once a very big business. Ice harvesting from frozen lakes, ice manufacturing, ice distribution, and ice sales and marketing are not the big business in America they once were — with dedicated trains of insulated railcars hauling ice to big cities, dedicated sawdust insulated warehouses, and wagons with insulated ice boxes to deliver fresh ice to your home, especially during the peak summer heat of July and August. As demand has disappeared, the industry which supplied this ice has virtually disappeared with it.

We can do this with drugs and the crime that comes with drugs. It just takes a bit of translation from policy and practical lessons we have already learned. We have some previous experience with this type of organized crime which is instructive – alcohol and the numbers rackets. We banned alcohol sales in the United States with the 18th Amendment in 1919. It brought us an earlier form of cartels - moonshiners, corrupt police operations, and gun battles over speakeasy territories. So, fourteen years later we gave up and adopted the 21st Amendment in 1933. We regulate alcohol and manage its addictions and the related social

fallout in other ways – across churches, social groups, public policy, and limited public expenditures.

Same with the numbers racket. In Pierce County, Washington, near my childhood home, numbers were a game of choice in taverns around two military bases. The numbers were run by the Carbone crime family, with the help of the County Sheriff. He arranged for his patrol officers to be away when a tavern needed to be burnt out for refusal to host the numbers racket, or when the payoffs didn't go down the way the Carbone family insisted. The Sheriff eventually went to prison, but only after a very successful 30 year run, working his way up from patrol officer through the detective ranks to Chief Criminal Deputy then Sheriff in a systemically corrupt department. The numbers racket went away after his arrest. But not because the Carbone family were among the suddenly converted to righteousness, or the numbers racket was ended by the feds in some crime roundup. They still play the numbers in Pierce County – and everywhere else in the United States. We just call the numbers racket by different names now – Powerball, Mega Millions, the State Lottery. Crime gone, the numbers racket lives on.

This exact same demonetizing strategy even worked to get the Mob out of the garbage business. William Ruckelshaus – the guy who was fired along with Elliott Richardson in the Saturday Night Massacre when he would not fire the Watergate Special Prosecutor targeting criminal conduct by President Nixon – formed Waste Management after he was tossed from DOJ. Waste Management bought the Mob out of the garbage business - and ended nearly all the public corruption that had come with awarding garbage contracts in all 50 states. We do know how to do this.

We spend billions of taxpayer dollars every year pursuing the epic policy failure of Nixon's hypocritically announced and self-serving strategy:

"I Need to Get Reelected So I Declare War on Drugs Because Someone Will Notice CIA's MKUltra Criminal LSD Drugging of Americans By Government Went on While I was VP and President."

Nixon's hamster wheel "war on drugs" strategy is an epic policy failure which accomplishes nothing. Billions of taxpayer dollars are spent on domestic and international intelligence, interdiction, enforcement, extradition, incarceration – including about \$35,000 per incarcerated person per year. We have the same adverse outcomes from this strategy as we have throughout all 52 years of this war, including violence, death, and unsafe streets which have render communities in every part of America systematically unsafe. Micro-dosed fentanyl kills easily – and drug dealers aren't all that interested in precise drug titration or great customer service. And outcomes are TEN TIMES WORSE today than when this "War on Drugs" was started. Let's look at the numbers which make this specific point.

We arrest about 1.5 million people each year on drug charges, our jails hold about 120,000 arrested and awaiting trial, and we currently incarcerate about 220,000, up from about 18,000 in 1980. We've lost over a million lives since the 1970s in the course of Nixon's fool's

errand, this utter failure we call the "War on Drugs." **Our drugs death rate per 100,000 people** was **3.3 in 1971 when 6,771 people died, per CDC WONDER. Fifty years on, our drugs death rate was 32.7 in 2021 when 106,699 people died, per CDC WONDER.** 300 dead per day from overdoses, millions in prisons all over the nation, addicts on city streets, in rural communities, and an epically high incarceration rate, one of the world's highest, all at great financial costs to the public purse, strained police powers resources allocation, and experienced in the pain and suffering of American families and our southern neighbor countries as well..

But there would be no epic war needed if we just took the money flow out of the equation. The cartels would collapse without money, and many of the people flooding our southern border could safely stay home, free from the narco-gangs trying to own their local police and politicians. They could use their resources to invest in small businesses, improve their homes and farms, and give their kids a leg up with more education, rather than pay coyotes and traffickers to sneak them or their kids through the Darien Gap and across international borders.

So, illegal immigration pressures on our southern border would be reduced as well. When Mexico became safer and more prosperous in the late 1990s, many Mexican citizens living in the shadows in the U.S. drove their American cars and rode buses back across the border, returning home to live with their extended families in the places they called home. We had net out-migration of Mexican nationals returning to Mexico. Even Texas Governor Greg Abbott would probably be okay with that kind of honey recipe approach to immigration policy, instead of the vilify and vinegar recipe Texas and other jurisdictions currently try to impose on immigration.

We already know how to do this. We have done it before repeatedly – we just lack the political courage to face this epic 50 year policy failure and change course. With a dose of political courage, we could take the money out of drugs – supervise recreational use of drugs, put addicted people in diversion and treatment programs with the safety net, emotional, and health support they need to move out of addiction – and demonetize drugs. With a policy change, we can save perhaps a million lives, and a few million from being incarcerated, over the next decade. Or we can continue this epic policy failure as Congress sits around and watches the caskets and prison buses roll by and refuses a logical response to a significant piece of our failed immigration policy.

Making the Senate back into the simple majority body the Founders envisioned (Hamilton – Federalist 22) with the appropriate simple majority votes and majority discharge rules would be a good step toward good policy. It would also out those Senators who are policy saboteurs preferring to run on, rather than solve, actual problems. That Senate rules change would be a good start toward this desperately needed policy fix too. People are dying.

Systemic Policy Failures Undermining Rights and Equality of Opportunity

G. Disenfranchisement of Citizens

The Fifteenth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-Sixth Amendments extended voting rights to all U.S. citizens over the age of eighteen. If you can die for your country, you ought to be able to vote in your country - that was the rationale for the last expansion of voting rights during the Vietnam War. It is the fundamental right upon which "the consent of the governed" provides the legitimate basis for the government to exist at all - as the agent of We, the People, who establish and ordain the union, and who together are the collective sovereign (regardless of the invalid claim the federal government may make to that sovereign and immune role for itself).

We, those same People, can buy anything we can afford at any time of day or night on our smartphone with no questions asked. A house, an airplane, an island, a ranch, a refrigerator, a takeout meal, all can be purchased, the transaction completed by a credit card or an online wire transfer through our bank, any required documents delivered to our phones and signed with our digital signature. Trillions of dollars of transactions with very little fraud routinely occur exactly this way all around the world every day.

But we cannot vote except in person on a specific set of days and hours, or by mail postmarked by election day and counted sometime thereafter. So, it takes hours to days and lots of labor to determine election results. With almost everything else we do these days it's over the moment it's over. When the clock runs out, the game is over, not sometime later, eventually. Which century does our democracy exist in – this one or some past century?

A federally financed and completely secure app written by competent professionals would take a few months to write and could be deployed everywhere for any election in any jurisdiction. It could be locally managed for use in all federal, state, and local elections run by city and county governments, who could use the funds saved by administering elections much more efficiently and at least as safely as they are now, to do other things. This can be done securely and in a distributed way, guaranteeing integrity and inspiring confidence. We would avoid insane "Chinese bamboo ballots" rumors, and wild accusations about breath mints appearing to be flash drives loaded with fake election results. A broader range of people might even trust elections when the results did not swing wildly through the night into the next morning after the mail had been opened and more ballots counted.

Estonia, a NATO ally with a population 0.4% the size of the US and GDP per capita about 40% of ours, built and has used an online voting system routinely since 2005. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Electronic voting in Estonia Their system does have some hacking vulnerabilities due to the budget limitations of a small, lower income country. With the encryption tools available commercially and live eye iris video identity confirmation like that already used by TSA in airport screening, we could have safe, secure elections with instantaneous results. Polls closing at 8:00 PM with auditable election results available at 8:05

PM, as soon as the election office can get the numbers over to the website. Even a four year old hacking for \$300 worth of hamburgers or pizza to be delivered at home wouldn't be able to break into a secure, eye iris verified, encrypted election system. Perhaps we should ask Estonia to help us out here. A couple of their app writers might be able to give us the tips we need to get this voting app up and running by 2024. Or we could list a federal procurement and get it done by, well, eventually anyway.

Are we up to the challenge of a government which secures the consent of the governed in a user-friendly fashion which virtually everyone already securely and comfortably uses for many other purposes already? Or more interested in protecting politicians from the unalienable rights of voters?

H. A Reckless Public Square - Propaganda Eroding Common Truths and Accurate History

"Section 230. No provider or user of an interactive computer service shall be treated as the publisher or speaker of any information provided by another information content provider."

While well intended, just as the initial sales tax holiday on internet sales was used for several years to promote online shopping, the net result of Section 230 has been the unmodulated, often fact-free de facto promotion of online hate speech, violence, and propagandistic manipulations to and by some social media participants. We all know this is an on-going challenge we must reckon with.

As we deal with this issue, I must also note an accompanying issue – the technical blocking of speech by the United States. Complete blocking of access to and by others with First Amendment rights by the United States has and does occur. These illegal prior restraints of speech by the United States and other government police powers and intelligence agencies, often operating unofficially and illegally outside their legal constraints (including through FISA and Section 702 violations, and the "cooperation" of ISPs), violate the First Amendment by blocking access, manipulating information, and promoting their own false narratives in place of true and accurate communications to and from the people who hold those rights. I would (do) know.

Depriving the public square of some voices not engaged in hate speech and engaged in truth telling, including about malign and even criminal government operations, while providing unlimited access with no liability for publication to others engaged in spreading lies, propaganda, and hate speech, systematically tilts the public square. It gives space for false narratives to emerge, and the truth to be spiked, distorting facts, destroying people and reputations, and endangering lives, while also profoundly distorting the truth. I would (do) know.

We need to provide space in the public square for truth telling, particularly when it is political speech about government operations, including about criminal acts the United States may find embarrassing or are even indictable under law. Free access for all to actual public versions of web sites which are used by other members of the public are guaranteed by the First

Amendment. Versions operated by government shills and constraints on access to other sites are profoundly dangerous tools supposedly used only by totalitarian governments, not democratic governments (or at least that is how our Constitution is written). This same principle must also apply to other First Amendment rights which are abridged by the United States, such as the right to peaceably assemble. I have been deliberately misdirected from these activities as well, but that is another matter we can discuss further at another time. So, again, I would (do) know.

I. Devaluing Public Investment in Education

While Ben Franklin's father could only afford school fees through Ben's sixth grade year, my grandfather graduated eighth grade, my father graduated high school, and I graduated with a master's degree - and only about \$12,000 in total student debt (today's dollars). I directly benefitted from sound national policy. Public education, including public higher education, has been a national priority since the Civil War. Land grant universities were first empowered in 1862 under President Lincoln. My family was able to afford that on an independent delivery person's route sales income, even as all six of us lived with our five horses, a few cattle, and vegetable garden, about 150 feet from an eight lane freeway and about a quarter mile from a county dump.

Members of our family were soon to be subjected, together with other members of a small Quaker spin-off religious sect, to the predations of the federal government for the next 50 years - so far. But we didn't know that yet. So, we believed in the power of education to drive self-determination and better lives in a country which claims the mantle of democracy and freedom as its continuing birthright. I still do believe in the power of education to improve our lot in life, assuming we can reclaim our national birthright from federal intelligence and police powers abuses of Americans. It's this last bit – the fifty years part and the reclamation of our birthright - that has yet to be clearly evidenced by the actions of government.

In the modern era, education system quality problems and affordability issues have frequently been solved on the backs of students and parents by transferring costs from the general public to private individuals. This sustains inequities and inequalities across communities through our system of inequitable public finance of all education. The short-term beneficiaries of these deep inequalities and disparities are the "mostly privileged some" taxpayers of the present moment. The long term global competitiveness of our nation is impaired for the benefit of these short-sighted few.

The practical effect of transferring the financial burden more directly than ever to individual families is still more inequality and unequal progress based upon prior privilege. Outcomes for future generations, once a shared responsibility, are further biased toward those who benefit from past positions of privilege, rather than being focused on leveling the playing field for those who demonstrate personal initiative but lack financial resources. This stifles both individual initiative – the basis of the American Dream - and national progress in our global competition with other nations over the long haul. It transfers the shared societal burden of

today to those who will now bear it tomorrow. The tangible effect is more than \$1 trillion dollars of personal student loan debt - added to individuals atop the \$33 trillion of federal debt which these same young people will share as tomorrow's taxpayers.

Reckless and selfish abuse of our shared responsibility to those who succeed us, and which abuse sacrifices our nation's future for the short term benefit of the few, is the kindest thing one can say about these greedy education funding and policy failures of the present.

Existential Challenges to Economic National Security Driven by Failed Supply-Side Policies

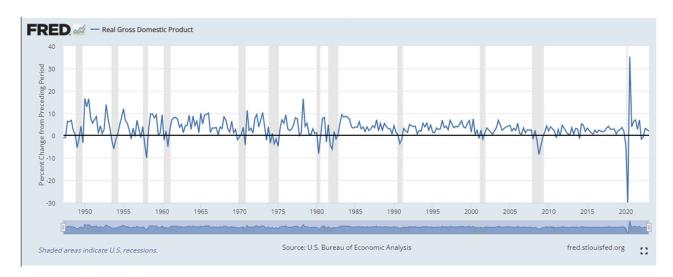
J. Four Decades of Reckless Federal Fiscal Management

In the early 1980s, the modern governance approach to economic and fiscal policy was established. At the time, supply-side theorists promised deregulation and lower tax rates, particularly on higher incomes and capital gains, would spur investments to generate economic growth. Supply-side theory particularly favored high marginal rate taxpayers, mostly the already wealthy. As the theory ran, the wealthy would invest these funds in productive uses and the results would generate still higher tax receipts, and other benefits of this growth would trickle down to others through job growth and more public services.

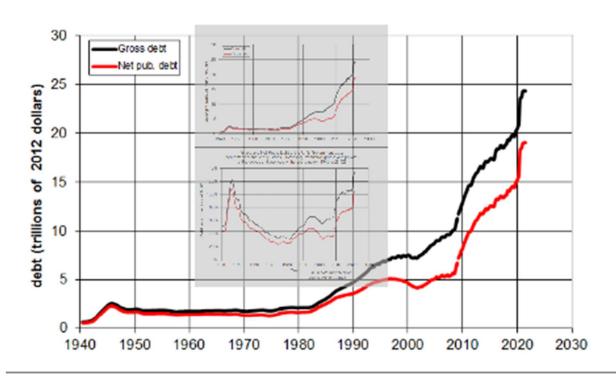
The premise was always wrong, particularly given the fact that our economy is 70% consumer driven, and lower income people consume at or near 100% of their incomes anyway. Rich folks come nowhere close to consuming at that 100% of income level. Consumption drives demand, which drives supply, which drives investment, not the other way around. We have tested this supply-side theoretical allegation for 40 years anyway. It has not held up or come even remotely close to the promised outcomes. It fails the very pragmatic, practical test called reality.

Reality clearly and transparently shows "supply-side" tax cuts, more than 80% of which go to the wealthiest, have abjectly failed to provide promised economic growth. Quarterly GDP growth rates in the chart below quite clearly show slower, not faster, economic growth rate since Reagan's second inauguration in 1985, as the full implementation of this policy (adopted in late 1981) spread through the U.S. economy.

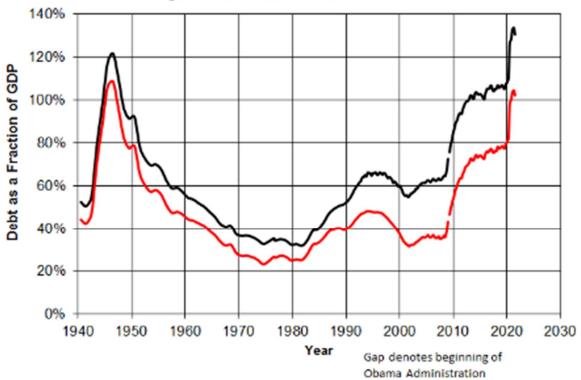
In a 70% consumption-based economy, a weaker consumer with a smaller share of total GDP to spend on consumption has given us substantially slower economic growth. This reality and other corrosive effects of supply-side on America's social and economic fabric are described more fully in the following section, *Asset Stripping Tax and Economic Policies*.



Supply-side tax cuts have also failed to even pay for themselves much less add to government revenue by spurring growth. This failed 40 year experiment, together with active political obstruction of equitable structural reforms needed to our wildly expensive health care system, have been key drivers of our rapidly deteriorating fiscal reality, and of a massive accumulation of federal indebtedness over these same forty years (Reagan through Biden):

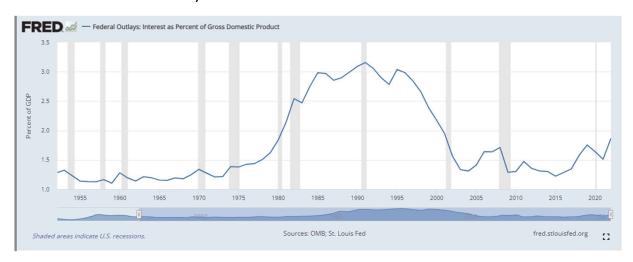


Gross and Net Public Debt of the U. S. Government as a percentage of the yearly Gross (Domestic) Production (public and private) of the goods and services of the entire nation 1940-2021Q2



K. Continuing Fiscal Mismanagement Imposes Massive Legacy Debt and Debt Service Burden

President Reagan inherited about \$2 trillion in debt left over from the World War II era, as shown above. Reagan and Bush 41 left behind the supply-side tax policies they implemented with the help of Congress, and a \$5.4 trillion debt, a 270% increase accumulated between 1981 and 1993. With contributions to the debt burden as agreed in Congress by both parties, we are now past the \$33 trillion mark. This imposes fiscal austerity in absentia and without consent on the next generation. To make matters worse, economic reality suggests this debt will be refinanced over the next ten years or so at about double the current interest rates.



Note that this chart shows a temporary general decline in federal government interest costs to GDP from the 1990s into recent years. The explanation is simple – the Fed reduced interest rates to historic lows during this period.

But the reality is that, once refinanced at today's much higher interest rates, the current debt will impose a debt service load to GDP on our future economy which is roughly 12 times higher in real terms than it was in the early 1990s. At recent historically low interest rates, existing federal public debt service equals the cost of rebuilding the entire 48,000 mile interstate highway system from ungraded right-of-way to finished pavement 2.8 times each year (about every 18 weeks). This debt service calculation is based upon the March 2023 \$67 billion monthly debt service costs and \$6 million per mile for freeway construction costs (typical construction cost range is \$3 million to \$10 million per mile).

With a historically high \$33 trillion national debt, debt service at today's 10 year Treasury rate of 4.62% will require \$1.5 trillion per year just to pay interest. This squeezes out future public investments in all kinds of public goods, taking the equivalent of about 6 interstate highway system total replacement projects out of public investments, or using money which

would pay for nearly two years of military budgets to pay for one year of interest on the national debt. On top of this, we are continuing our deficit finance of government services.

The Senate-adopted FY2024 budget adds more than a trillion dollars to the existing \$33 trillion debt in fiscal 2024 alone. The entirely unrealistic fiscal policies of the last forty years are irresponsibly perpetuated. In the current period of full employment, a modest fiscal surplus would be appropriate to our long-term national fiscal health. We run record deficits.

The Senate's relatively unified defensive posture, intended to protect personal prerogatives in Senate rules, is the underlying reason for this irresponsible fiscal mismanagement of the revenue side of our national budgets.

Two material asides to this discussion:

- 1. Under Senate rules personal prerogatives, such as holds, blue slips, filibusters, and Majority Leader blockades, used to operate a chamber intended to be majoritarian, and which rules the Founders called "altogether unfit for the administration of the Union" in Federalist 22 at paragraph 1 in 1787 which see elsewhere in this letter, are the underlying reason any Senate budget was adopted. Senate Republicans are perfectly aware they can blame the House Republicans for the current budget stalemate, so they easily agree with Democrats on a budget, a CR, whatever. Many Senators are more interested in protecting these personal prerogatives which honor their instigator the sore loser to Thomas Jefferson, turned assassin as Vice President of Alexander Hamilton and never tried, then insurrectionist, then New York real estate developer with his wife's money, Aaron Burr than in responsibly completing the People's business. Otherwise, they would quickly agree to change the rules to match the Founder's simple majority vision for the chamber.
- 2. As this is being written under the extra-legal conditions imposed by the federal Executive on this author, the exact amount of this FY2024 deficit is unknown to the author due to ongoing blocking of online content. These actions to control content are continuing violations of the First Amendment guaranteed free and fair access to information as I remain under virtualized federal control, an element of the absurd and very public attempted cover-up of violations of U.S. and international law related to the BRMT and racketeering crimes cover-up noted in prior sections of this letter.

Clearly, federal tax revenue has been and is persistently insufficient to cover costs agreed to by both political parties since 1981. The supply-side theorists' claim of accelerated economic growth has weakened consumers and given us growth at about half the prior long-term growth rate.

Bottom line – debt service to GDP will explode in the coming years due to on-going reckless fiscal mismanagement. The highest debt load in human history is being dumped by

Congress on future generations – our children and grandchildren. Previous generations did this kind of thing only in exceptional moments - forming the Union, fighting the Civil War to restore the Union, and fighting the Second World War to preserve the Union and the world from fascist autocracy. Over the last forty years, debt has been used as a wealth transfer mechanism – from future generations to a privileged few million among the current generations.

L. Asset Stripping Tax and Economic Policies Depress Growth and Prosperity

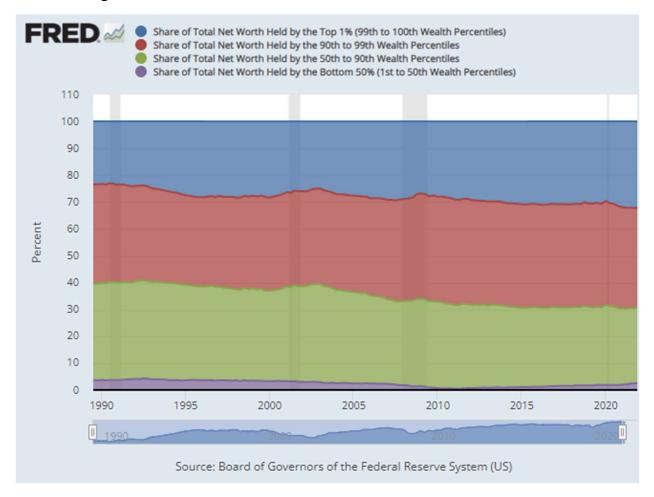
Supply-side policy is an economic opioid for the 1% and has provided only imaginary benefits for everyone else. The lower supply-side tax rates on income primarily benefit a few people by putting hundreds of thousands to millions of dollars more in their pockets every year since 1981 supposedly to invest and reinvest.

In fact, the bottom 90% of American families have actually lost over a quarter of their share of total U.S. wealth held in private hands, virtually all of it transferred by Congressional policy choices to the top 1%. And the American people are very unhappy about having our American Dream trampled by a few. Rather than enhancing growth, supply-side has actually:

- Increased the concentration of wealth among the 1% from 23% to 32.2% of total wealth from 1981 to present, entirely taken away from the bottom 90%.
- Decreased labor's share of GDP by about \$1 trillion each year, from around 63% to around 59% of our \$25 trillion GDP.
- Shifted this smaller labor share of GDP away from workers to an elite class of senior business and financial engineering (private equity and hedge fund) executives. While real productivity is up by 65% and more per worker since 1979, real wages are up only 26% for the bottom 90%. In this same period, real wages for the top 1% are up by 160%, and 345% for the top 0.1% of income earners.
- Endangered the long-term sustainability of our Social Security system for retirees by shifting wages paid away from the many toward the wealthy few, who pay Social Security taxes only on the first \$160,200 of income.
- Shifted costs of previously shared public responsibilities such as public higher education to individuals and families, further disadvantaging those who are already economically disadvantaged.
- Imposed a massive and ever growing debt service burden on the next generations of Americans, already equal to rebuilding the 48,000 mile interstate highway system from the ground up nearly three times every year and getting worse by the year.
- Contributed to a massive housing shortage and to two financial crises following
 interest rate deregulation. The deregulation driven Savings and Loan crisis of the
 1980-90s has given the nation a modern-era housing shortage. Wall Street's
 junkifying of mortgage bonds and other mortgage-based financial products led to
 the crash of 2008, destroyed the housing construction industry, and magnified the
 housing shortage still further.

These supply-side economic realities are considered in turn below.

1. Asset stripping tax and economic policies have Increased the concentration of wealth among the 1% since 1981



The share of wealth which has been extracted from the bottom 90% using supply-side policies and tax rates to benefit the top 1% is:

Share of Total National Wealth In Private Hands

	1980 (by extrapolation from	2021	
	chart above)		
Top 1%	23%	32.2% (up 53% since 1980)	
Bottom 90%	42%	30.5% (down 27% since	
		1980)	

2. Asset stripping tax and economic policies have decreased labor's share of GDP by about \$1 trillion per year, from around 63% to around 59% of GDP since 1981

The reduced wage share of GDP has shifted income away from those whose engage in productive activity to those who hold wealth. This 4% shift in our \$25 trillion economy costs the bottom 90% of wage earners about \$1 trillion each year.



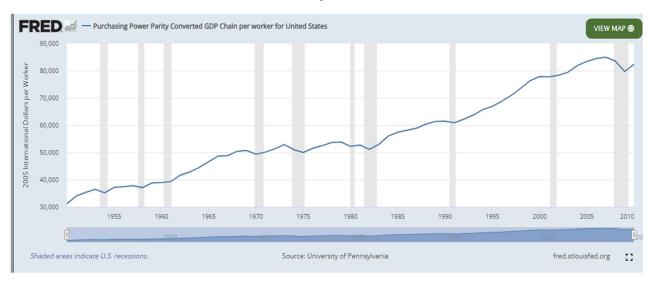
3. Asset stripping tax and economic policies have shifted the smaller labor share of GDP away from workers toward an elite class of senior business and financial engineering executives since 1981

Productivity per worker has increased by approximately 65% since 1980, as shown below. Those who produce this productivity gain have realized a 26% increase in real compensation during the same period. The top 1% of workers are up 160%. Income inequality is on the rise and the American Dream for most Americans is on the decline since the early 1980s. It's your policy choices that have and do create this inequality. We're not happy about this.

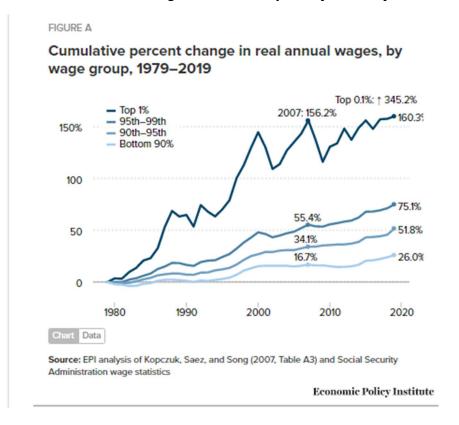
Congress Adopts Supply-Side, Income Inequality Increases, American Dream Begins to Die



As Real Productivity Per Worker Increases 65%



Real Worker Wages Increase Only 26% for 90% of Workers



And Manufacturing Employs Six Million Fewer in Former Working Middle Class Jobs Since 1980



Since 1980, workers' share of productivity increases has been cut by about 70%. Over two-thirds of their productivity increases now go to senior management, to financial engineering firms (private equity, hedge funds, and the like), and to shareholders, rather than to

the workers that produce this growth. This transfer from workers to others with higher incomes and to wealth degrade the growth prospects of a 70% consumption-based economy. Simply put, the wealthy use a much smaller portion of their total income for consumption.

Wealthy incomes are used to further concentrate wealth, not to consume life's essentials. They flow into financial asset accumulation and price action driven speculation. If you have all the food and shelter you need, just how many refrigerators do you need to buy for your three homes? The unconsumed balance of income goes to investments and speculation. Those that consume and drive the economy have less, those that invest have more, then more again, then still more, as wealth and earning power are increasingly concentrated.

But eventually this concentration of income to the few results in slower, then slower, then slower still economic growth, because 70% of our economy is consumption, not asset accumulation and speculation. A weak consumer IS a weak economy. A weak economy is a path to an epic decline in wealth. And speculation in this or in that, whether it's a real estate bubble, or a crypto collapse, or unregulated private commercial lending at ultra-high interest rates, or whatever it might be, is the key to the next dramatic economic downfall, then a massive liquidity intervention to save the economy. Job losses across the economy come with each bubble collapse. The Fed's liquidity rescue flows mostly to those who already have, their assets are mostly preserved, so the next round of speculation by those who have the most can begin. A former virtuous sharing of benefits among consumers and investors thereby becomes a speculative win-lose game with fewer and fewer options for more and more people over time.

That's the supply-side cycle in a nutshell. A long-running declining spiral for most Americans. Your policy choice, our great economic cost.

4. Asset stripping tax and economic policies endanger the long-term sustainability of our Social Security and Medicare system for retirees since 1981

The reduction in the labor share of GDP growth has also contributed to the deficit in the Social Security system. Social Security taxes only the first \$160,200 of wages. Since the portion of total economic output which is paid as wages has been reduced from over 63% to about 59% and income has shifted upward to those who are paid more than that \$160,200 maximum, a significantly smaller portion of total economic output and total wages are subject to Social Security taxes. This reduction in the share of the economy taxable for Social Security, about \$1 trillion, costs the retirement and disability system more than \$153 billion per year in contributions. It also costs Medicare \$29 billion per year in lost contributions. These reductions are the primary root cause of our structural problem financing retiree income and contribute substantially to the on-going Medicare deficits.

Bottom line – Asset stripping tax and economic policies empower and sustain generational benefits which accrue to the favored few. This is a fatal flaw in an economy which is 70% driven by consumption. Consumers unable to consume cannot drive current and future economic growth and increasing prosperity, nor sustain national security.

M. Housing Affordability - An Oxymoron Since the 1980s



As this chart shows, real housing prices (sourced from S&P's Case-Shiller Index) increased from an index value of 100 in 1987 to 318 in 2019, while real wages for the bottom 90% (sourced from the Economic Policy Institute) rose from an index value of 100 to 124 in the same time period. The bottom line is that real housing prices rose <u>nine times faster</u> than real wages for the bottom 90% from 1987 to 2019. This socially and economically corrosive long term trend continues.

Excessive housing price inflation gradually turns lifetime wealth accumulation through home ownership for an increasing share of middle and lower income families into permanent tenancy for those families. Little or no wealth accumulation in this extreme housing price growth to income growth environment is a reality for many more families now than at any time since World War II. This robs more Americans of their dream to improve the lots of children through education partly financed by home equity loans, of starting their own small business with home equity, of retirement benefits through wealth accumulation for themselves, and of intergenerational wealth to gift to their children.

The wealth accumulation benefits of owned family homes flow instead to landlords using leverage and regional housing scarcity to snap up entry level homes in anticipation of continued housing shortages. The Savings and Loan (S&L) industry was destroyed by Congressional policy actions on interest rates which ended the modest 25 basis point advantage they enjoyed in the early 1980s. By turning those longer term S&L deposits in regional markets throughout the United States into nationalized pools of hot money moved quickly to a slightly higher interest rate, Congressional policy action has indirectly reversed the national housing

supply from a small surplus at the end of the 1970s to the major regional housing shortages and enormous price inflation in many regions of the U.S. today.

These regional housing shortages are estimated to total about 4 to 7 million units nationwide. Homes are being built, but mostly at higher than entry level price points due to greatly reduced capacity in the home building industry after it was virtually destroyed in the 2008 real estate bubble collapse. That industry collapse resulted from Wall Street's penchant in the early 2000s to peddle mortgage junk and mortgage derivatives as quality mortgage debt, while simultaneously engaging in land and home building speculation in certain markets like Las Vegas. These spectacular speculative excesses simply did not happen when we had an S&L industry.

Among other things, S&Ls typically kept a 5% or more participation piece of each mortgage. So, they had an incentive to make sure these loans were of reasonable quality, avoiding loan losses. These localized funding sources also largely avoided the regional market bubbles which form with large, speculative pools which can easily be wheeled among regional markets. Wall Street didn't have these same limitations. By transferring all the ownership risk to whoever would pick it up, Wall Street dumped the burden of bad lending practices and derivatives from those bad lending practices on others. A liquidity crisis ensued, again, as with each of their prior bubbles, and the public bore the ultimate burden.

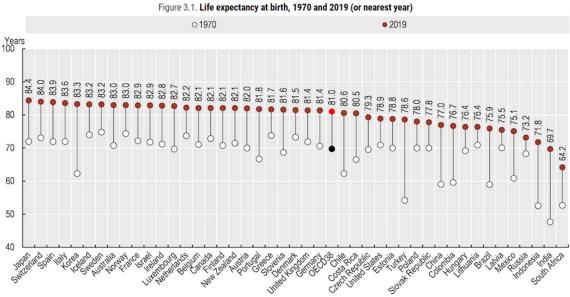
So, here's yet another opportunity to reform the structure of housing finance, reinsert regional specialists in place of the wheeling of funds to the next speculative market opportunity, and reintroduce the American Dream to more American families, particularly the young and less well-off in our country. Or we can just keep piling more liquidity into brokered money greed by financiers who don't understand regional market conditions, propel speculative regional bubbles and their repeated collapses, and require yet another Fed liquidity bailout to avoid one economic collapse after another. This is our housing finance policy reality and has been for the past forty years.

Is Congress up to this policy challenge to restore an important aspect of the American Dream for America's families? Or shall we just perpetuate the debating society posture, do nothing to reform this sector, and preserve the dysfunctional status quo for the financier few, while the many increasingly become America's permanent tenant class?

N. Health Care Affordability and Outcomes Lag Merely Average Outcomes Elsewhere

Health care costs per capita in the United States are twice the developed world's rate, about \$10,856 per person per year (pre-pandemic 2019, per OECD) compared to \$4,389 in UK, \$4,611 in Japan, \$5,190 in Canada, \$5,388 in Sweden, and similar cost structures in other high income nations, ALL of which have lower health care costs per capita AND longer life expectancy.

Using the OECD median of \$4,250 as our benchmark, <u>the United States health care</u> <u>system costs \$2.2 trillion more per year more</u> than it would as an average performer, <u>provides</u> <u>2.1 years less life expectancy</u> than a typical performer OECD country, <u>and 5.1 years less than</u> the top performing OECD countries at more than double the cost of those countries.



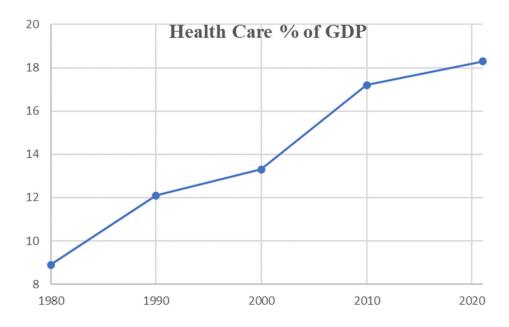
The extraordinary overall cost inefficiency in health care is due largely to the industry's failure to properly leverage medical professionals with skilled paraprofessionals, and to excess profits resulting from, among other things, Congressional and industry manipulations of

intellectual property rights to game that system favor medical industries and financial interests.

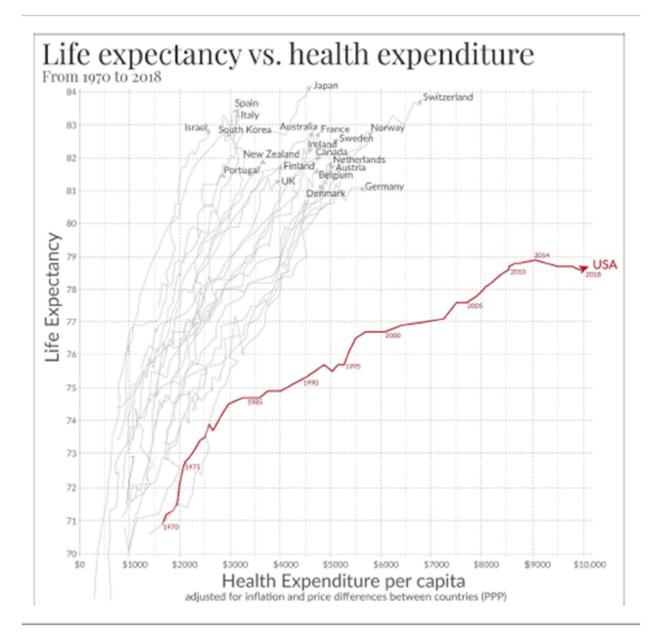
Industry breakthroughs are frequently the result of massive federally funded public investments in medical research, for example, \$38.7 billion of non-defense and \$1.05 billion of defense appropriations in 2019. These investments are typically gratis grants, with financial benefits rarely if ever recovered by government on behalf of taxpayers through licensing or royalty agreements, even though partial or full recovery of research investments would provide funds for future research. Then taxpayers pay list prices for these medical breakthroughs funded largely by taxpayers. The financial benefits flow to private sector pharmaceutical, medical equipment, and financial industry/investor interests.

America's health care cost per covered individual, the highest in the world on a per capita basis, have risen from around 8.9% of GDP in 1980 to over 18.3% of GDP today. Since government budgets bear the largest share of health care costs (through Medicare and Medicaid), the cost pressures of covering older and otherwise uninsured Americans pressures all government budget accounts at all levels. This reality has led to cuts to all kinds of other public services and investments in public goods, particularly in state budgets. It pressures individual families in much the same way, often with dire lifetime consequences for the entire family. About 65% of individual bankruptcies in the United States are medical cost bankruptcies

which wipe out about 300,000 American families each year - old and young forced from current circumstances to penury in their attempts to save the health and lives of loved ones.



https://www.statista.com/statistics/184968/us-health-expenditure-as-percent-of-gdp-since-1960/



The U.S. health care system also completely fails a significant portion of our citizens. So, Americans endure both much higher costs and years less life expectancy than in other comparable countries. These two simultaneous worst outcomes for health care are due to a historical accident in how people are covered in the U.S. This approach to health care finance is not the result of any thought by anyone, it is not a carefully crafted system. Federally imposed wage and price controls during World War II caused employers to offer health care benefits to attract scarce workers during the war.

This accident of birth gave us this peculiarly American bastardized system of high health care costs, hyper-complex and expensive administration, and grossly unequal delivery. Our current health care system has the cost and outcome efficiencies one would expect from driving an unrepaired car on the highway after an accident. This car was so damaged by the accident it

can't even track in a straight line on the highway without strenuous continuous correction from the driver – wearing out tires, brakes, and the driver from the extra burden of a misaligned and unrepaired vehicle.

Among the many tangible examples of systemic failures in health care policy is opposition to requiring price competition and the application of antitrust law to health care. Recent political opposition to \$35 per month insulin for the general public is one simple recent example. As I'm sure you know, the public has paid about ten times more per unit of insulin (\$98 in 2018) for the required one to six units per month than in other high income countries. Insulin is a 100 year old product which costs perhaps \$12 per unit to produce and distribute, mostly spent on the container, transportation costs, and corporate overhead. The actual insulin used by patients costs pennies to produce. Uninsured families, typically younger families and those with disabled family members under 65 (who have among the least resources in our country to begin with), are the ones who must sacrifice everything to keep themselves or a loved one alive at the outrageous list prices for this one hundred year old product.



The direct economic cost of Congressional obstruction to systemic health care reform is **\$2.2 trillion per year more cost AND 5.1 years less life expectancy** than the lower-cost best-inclass health care systems of several other high income countries.

Bottom line – A Congressional policy choice on behalf of the American People is giving us more death at much higher cost. Senate rules obstruct meaningful reforms to our

accidentally conceived health care "system," sustain a system of privilege and penury imposed by random accidents of life and health on American citizens, and directly results in Americans living shorter lives than in ANY other upper income country.

O. Flawed Transition to a Low Carbon Emissions Economy and Hybrid Grid

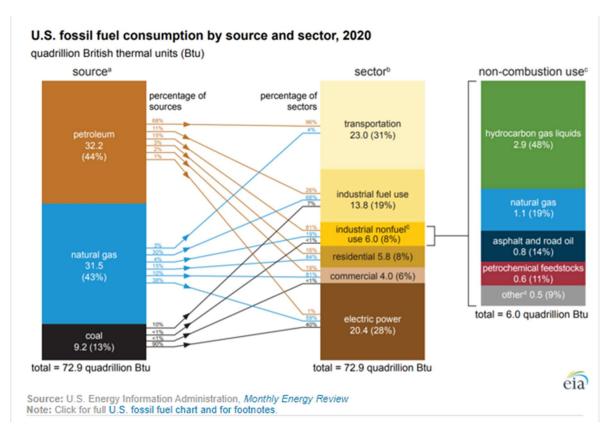
There is no evidence of a serious policy discussion in Congress on how to adapt our existing energy backbone to the energy sources and electrical load demand growth needed to support our economy tomorrow. To wit,

- We are beginning to ramp up a national electric vehicle charging network which will by itself add 100% of the existing electrical demand load on the grid over the next ten to fifteen years.
- Global warming will impose huge additional seasonal surge cooling loads approaching 100% of current grid capacity across the United States. Cooling loads will increase in areas where cooling is already required, and cooling needs will spread to additional regions as average temperatures rise for the next five decades at least.
- Electrification of other existing fossil fuel loads in industry will require yet more distribution capacity requiring another 100% of existing grid capacity.
- On top of conversion of these existing loads to the grid, we must layer another 400% of the entire current grid load for economic growth at around 2% per year over the next forty to fifty years, since nearly the entire energy infrastructure will need to convert from fossil fuels to electrical loads over that period.
- Overall, we need to build a robust, secure, hybrid distributed national grid to a load
 which is at least five times our current electric grid load and can wheel needed
 electrical energy across the nation over about 25 years. That network must then
 grow to about eight times its current size over the next forty to fifty years to sustain
 our prosperity without further imperiling our ability to live on this planet.

This is a massive transformation task. But the supply infrastructure which is needed to support these loads is not even up to that first task - a moderately sized expansion to handle the vehicle electrification piece of the total task. Designing, permitting, financing, and constructing the existing electrical grid has been the incremental bit-by-bit work of one hundred forty years. We must quadruple grid capacity in 25 years. We cannot accomplish this with hodge-podge of regional electric grid infrastructure policies.

We do not even have an enacted robust national energy policy framework to accomplish this. We're already behind the curve, and it is nearly impossible to make up time and schedule during actual construction, which is lost in dithering over policy, much less deal with the inevitable details of design and permitting problems, and the excessively lengthy litigation in our colossally slow-moving federal court system (court reforms are dealt with elsewhere in this letter).

The challenges will mount exponentially in the absence of practical policies which support the build-out we require. In fact, we currently have 1,250 gigawatts of renewable energy supply projects on hold because we don't have a rational policy framework for dealing with basic issues like financing interconnections, according to Lawrence Berkley National Lab. Source: https://emp.lbl.gov/queues Nor, for that matter, do we have enough university-trained electrical engineers, apprentice trained electricians, and community college trained technicians to handle this transition.



Finally, we need resilience and redundancy, including the ability to interconnect homes and vehicles with efficient local hybrid energy sources - rooftop, microgrid, and so forth so we aren't all completely dependent on a giant grid for electrical energy supplies which is down because of a cyber-attack or a violent incident in the field. What happens when the electric powered ambulances and fire trucks cannot answer the next calls because the grid is down in the region?

In case you don't recall, we hired Congress to deal with these issues on our behalf. Please be about the task you have been hired to do for the rest of us.

Forty Years of Congressional Policy Failures and Obstruction Must End

Gross Inequality and Asset Stripping Cannot Sustain a Consumption Driven Economy

An unhealthy consumer cannot long sustain a 70% consumption based economy – it's no more complicated than this singular fact. Supply-side, being the utter failure that it has been for the American People, has got to go. In a consumer driven economy, fat cats do fine when all share in prosperity. They too get slaughtered when their greed imperils us all. We are there now, yet again, with a short-leveraged commercial real estate crisis spreading, and illiquid unregulated asset classes such as private equity holdings in an economy which is under pressure from underinvestment in innovation, excess leverage of speculative high-yield private debt, and an enormous and growing federal debt load squeezing out public investment.

These new systemic economic risks have taken the place of prior forms of speculation, such as the high yield junk in Wall Street's residential mortgage calamity of the "Great Recession." Regulatory end runs have repeatedly led to cycles of speculation followed by economic calamities as speculative bubbles driven by these "masters of the universe" have collapsed one after the other. Then the Fed is forced to rescue fat cats with floods of liquidity, leaving the rest of us to drown in the strip and flip wreckage of these rescues over and over again. Economic policy must focus on restoring long-run consumer economic health and prosperity, and on sound and responsible national fiscal policy. We have neither.

Economic Discontent And Propaganda Obscuring its Root Causes are a Toxic Mix

The combination of pressured economic reality for many typical American families and the propaganda which distracts from the underlying economic and social issues which cause the distress is a toxic brew. Distraction solves no problem, it merely distracts, much as a magician acts overtly with one hand (culture wars) to hide what the other hand is doing (asset stripping) as they produce the moment of "magic" (supply-side's mythical and missing benefits for most Americans).

Echoes of the 1920s and 1930s are unmistakable in aspects of "modern" American dogma, which is intended to distract some in the public from:

- Obvious 40 year flow of real income growth and wealth away from the 90%, which has gone almost exclusively to the top 1%,
- Struggles of many to hold onto, much less improve, their standard of living as a result,
- Sustained losses of blue collar jobs to international investments,
- Fewer upward mobility options for less educated people to improve their lives, and emerging threats from artificial intelligence and neuroscience-based weapons to all people, regardless of education level
- Reduction and elimination of public investments to improve the life prospects of future generations and sustain global competitive advantage through innovation,

• Tax and regulatory policies which favor financial engineering tactics like stripping and flipping more than growth-producing innovation and investments.

You will have noticed that a great many Americans are not happy about this and blame Congress for the mess our country is in – your 19% approval rating.

Americans Still Turn Out - In Record Numbers

Over the past three years, Americans have expressed this discontent with Congress, with its choices to perpetuate long-running systemic supply-side policy failures, with grotesque and on-going overreach against individual rights by the federal Executive, with the erosions of such basics rights as voting and personal autonomy, and with still failing policies on drugs, immigration, public safety, and rage-driven massacres using weapons of war in everyday public places.

We have turned out in massive numbers to vote for liberty and intelligent policy in the middle of a global pandemic. Some among us participated in a deliberately misdirected insurrection, driven by propaganda they believed, to secure what they thought was individual liberty, including the right to free and fair elections.

Taken all together, these are clear signs that We, the People, are doing our part to communicate our broad discontent directly to you. We put up with political parties. Most of us could care less about partisanship or bipartisanship. Neither of these approaches fixes any problem for any person anywhere. And we're starved by Congress of real policy solutions to real everyday problems and the challenges of tomorrow. How can we safely go to the grocery store today or send our new teen driver on a milk run without worrying about a nut with a semi-automatic and body armor? How will we charge our electric car next month when the electric grid will not be able handle the load and thousands of renewable energy interconnect permits are delayed by a lack of electric grid capacity? This is the stuff you're supposed to be doing for all of us.

Who can blame any of the American people for being frustrated with the ever-growing political stunts and stupidity of our House? For being angry with the perpetual obstructions of policy solutions which are broadly agreed, but abused by Senate saboteurs more interested in personal political advantage, and perhaps in being the next President to be sabotaged by another single Senator angling for that job, than in real progress for America's families?

19% of us approve, and this approving fraction of the People is fading.

Congress is Responsible for Policy Failures, Most Particularly its Dysfunctional Senate

Congress in these same three years has, with the single notable exception of a dispassionate examination of the insurrection, been paralyzed by a combination of House factions risking a disastrous national debt default and massive damage to the American economy, and yet another government shutdown. Obstructionist Senate rules, besides

obstructing needed policy for voting rights protections, gun safety, personal bodily autonomy, immigration, drugs, and many other pressing domestic policy issues, continue to jeopardize national security based upon the whim of one Senator, the fig leaf of 3 of 300 national security command confirmations notwithstanding.

Yes, a House faction is the dysfunction of this particular moment and of this session of Congress. But imagine American workers telling their bosses that the production team completed 3 of 300 tasks on its list this time. Then doing the same thing again the next time, and the next time, and the next time, and......

That is what has happened to issue after issue after issue in the Senate. Starting with the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments, and the Senate's 90 year implementation delay filled with lynchings, burnings, white terror, thefts of property, police assassinations, and televised police beatings; this practice has expanded these days to nearly every issue you can name.

NONE of the top issues on the People's agenda - I've described just 15 issues from existential to economic to unequal here - have seen meaningful progress, whichever side of a particular policy divide any American finds themselves on. Americans (or even the Senate itself) ought to be proud of this record?

The founding compromise in the summer of 1787 was two seats per state in a simple majority Senate. For the good of all, we need to be rid of obstructionist rules which are perpetually used to sabotage the American People's agenda. A bit of American history about how we came to sabotage of the People's will in the Senate –

In case you don't recall, bidding good riddance to these obstructions was intended to be a key advantage of the Constitutional system, according to founder Alexander Hamilton writing before ratification of the Constitution in Federalist 22, published by the New York Packet in December 1787.

While many attending the Constitutional Convention in 1787 favored a second representative body based upon population just like the House, a compromise with two seats per state and simple majority vote was eventually agreed for become the Senate so the small states would agree to the new Constitution. This compromise was intended to cure, not to reimpose, the failed Articles of Confederation rules whereby the actions of Congress could be completely obstructed by the whims of as few as one person or by a single state delegation – whoever that one may be at any particular moment.

It was Mr. Hamilton's long-time political enemy and assassin, then Vice President Aaron Burr who, after an Electoral College tie, then 36 consecutive tied ballots in the House of 7 states to 7 states, lost the Presidential election to Thomas Jefferson on the 37th ballot when one Representative from one state switched their own vote and thereby their state's vote, to break the tie. Thinking the election had been stolen from him, Mr. Burr inspired the Senate to give us the return of obstructive rules as his "retribution."

This historically instructive fact about sore losers, Senate rules, and retribution and obstruction in politics, has a certain timely echo. Mr. Burr then vented his rage at his loss to Mr. Jefferson by assassinating his primary political rival, Alexander Hamilton, a few years later. Though he was never tried for the assassination, it did cost him his political claim on the Vice Presidency. Mr. Burr then went on to new careers, first as an aspiring insurrectionist, though he could not be charged with treason as there was only one witness to each treasonous act and the Constitution requires two; then as a New York real estate speculator, using his newly married wife's money, of course. Echoes of history, perhaps?

But I digress......

Policy Can Serve the People, Congress Must

Policy changes are desperately and urgently needed across the board. We've reviewed 15 categories of urgent policy needs here, with policy solutions demanded for each and every one. Congressional bifurcation into a partisan duopoly, performative political distractions among factions, and obstructive Senate rules, are preventing serious progress across all these policy fronts. In the meantime, we move ever closer to a constellation of crises as Congress continues down a supply-side driven fiscal track to destroy this nation's gift which all preceding generations have given their children – a strong, fiscally healthy nation.

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We elect representatives to act as leaders and meet these challenges, not evade them. Unfortunately, for a considerable time now, the answers coming from Washington, D.C., have been of "kick the can down the road" quality rather than "solve the damn problem" quality. We simply cannot afford to "kick the can" again and again. That road will end at some point. We will be unable to regain global credibility based upon our word as a nation. We will be unable to sell our debt at any reasonable price. As 4% of the world's population, we will be unable to stand alone and without allies in this world.

Instead, imperiled by these grave and self-inflicted accountability and policy failures of Congress, our ability to even remain the seriously flawed democracy we are today is an open question. Congress cannot manage itself well enough to pass broadly agreed policy into law. It does not effectively check an out of control Executive which will not manage its own affairs in compliance with our Constitution and our laws. These policy failures must be transformed to policy fixes or the nation we have inherited from our Founders and forebears will itself pass.

Will the Senate change its rules to operate as the simple-majority governed body the Founder's intended, ending its obstructive role which is "altogether unfit for the administration of the Union?"

Will Congress do the People's business, seriously addressing unauthorized offensive acts of war; the policy issues mentioned here; and obstacles to long-term national competitiveness, including willful fiscal recklessness?

Will Congress act to adopt policies which benefit us broadly, many of which are already generally agreed among the public, or merely sabotage and obstruct as before the will of the majority for the convenience of one in a minority?

Many other democracies do hold leaders and bureaucracies accountable when they violate their Constitution and laws. Peru, France, Italy, Germany, and other advanced democracies have and do hold leaders criminally liable when needed. Most democracies are managing to address these serious policy issues forthrightly. The European Union has managed many of the same policy tasks to much greater success than we have. The EU Parliament is a fractious body of 705 people, 8 major parties, and 27 distinct national interests. We have just 2 parties in one nation. But they do not have our Senate's obstructive rules.......so they're able to implement into law what our Senate, on the whim of one, can stall for 100 years at a time.

Kindly be about the People's business – policy solutions not partisan posturing - or the remaining 19% may join us in finding some who will. Thank you.

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In re: Open Letters to Congress – Part 3: Congressional Tax and Economic Policies Adopted in the 1980s Threaten Long-Term National Prosperity and Even Existence

Gentlemen:

When you think of systemic economic failures, you probably recall the rotting out of the soviet Union in the 1970s through 1990s. Congress set up the U.S. economy for this same path in the 1980s when it enacted supply side tax reforms and began permanent and now ballooning deficits to avoid needed reforms. This systemic policy failure continues today, as summarized in the attached chart.

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Enclosure: Real Private Sector Growth.....Reduced to Zero

Real Private Sector Economic Growth, Median Family Income Growth, and Wealth Equality are ALL Inversely Correlated to Federal Tax Rate Reductions for the Wealthiest. Shorter Holding Periods from Lower Tax Rates Have Encouraged More Speculation by the Wealthiest, More Specualtive Bubbles Which Burst, Requiring More Fed Rescues, and Reduced Real Private Sector Economic Growth to Zero

Decade	Real Economic Growth For the Entire Decade (excluding federal deficit spending)	Highest Personal Marginal Tax Rate at the:		Share of Wealth Held by Bottom 90% of Americans at	Labor Productivity Increase	Median Family Income Index	Rapid Shelter Cost Inflation Reduces Other Household	Changes in Tax Laws and Economic Policy
		Beginning of Decade	End of Decade	Beginning of			Spending	
1960-1969	6.1%	91%	77%		100	100	100	End of Korean War. Transition from World War II economy is complete.
1970-1979	7.7%	72%	70%		132	142	136	·
1980-1989	3.5%	70%	28%		157	142	304	Reagan supply side tax cuts mark the beginning of persistent federal deficits stimulating the economy. Wall Street's aggressive asset stripping and flipping practices, including equity stripping by paying dividends enabled by leveraged lending in private equity firms and hedge funds becomes a predominant form of investing.
1990-1999	3.7%	28%	40%	40.1%	185	151	545	Reagan tax cuts reversed by Bush 41 beginning 1990
2000-2009	0.9%	40%	35%	37.2%	231	164	762	Bush 43 tax cuts and Wall Street housing mortgage and regional land speculation meltdown (such as Las Vegas). Federal Reserve lowers interest rates to historically low levels to prevent massive asset price deflation from Wall Street systemic mortgage and AIG derivatives insurance crisis risk. Housing construction collapses after speculative boom.
2010-2019	-0.2%	35%	37%	32.9%	300	154	992	Trump 2017 tax cuts increase federal deficit and federal spending grows to stimulate pre-Covid economy which has no private sector net growth
2020 to present				32.0%	321	175	1,294	Federal Reserve hikes interest rates to reduce post-Covid shutdown inflation from exogenous supply chain shocks, suppressing housing industry and baking in more housing shortages which itself raises and bakes in shelter cost inflation long term. Economic growth relies on federal deficit spending for economic growth. State budgets continue being stressed by health care cost inflation and chronic public sector pension underfunding due to overly generous real return assumptions used to raise pension benefit levels.

Overall Conclusion: Lower marginal tax rates for the wealthy have reduced investment holding periods since 1980 supply side tax reforms lowered top tax rates, and thereby reduced real economic growth in the private sector since the 1980s to zero. The real growth economy is being propped up since about 2010 by unsustainable federal deficits. Shorter investment holding periods correlate to more speculation and less real economic growth, so the overall private sector economy, and the less wealthy 90% bear the burden of less real economic growth. Speculative bubbles form as larger pools of capital in the hands of fewer people chase high short-run returns. The bursting of these speculative bubbles, which result from fewer people with more money chasing speculative price action, leads to Federal Reserve liquidity and interest rate rescues of the overall economy by flooding it with more liquidity to prop up asset prices, which added liquidity with real private sector economic growth leads to the next speculative bubble, and the cycle repeats. Meantime, health care cost inflation and perennial shelter cost inflation resulting from the S&L industry collapse after interest rate deregulation (1980s) and the housing construction industry collapse (2008) consume an ever increasing share of less wealthy household budgets, so consumers are less able to grow the overall economy, which relies on consumers for 70% of total spending. When your best customer (American consumers) is not doing well, your business (our overall economy) will suffer. The net overall effect of Congressionally adopted tax policies since 1981 (supply side) is to reduce private sector real economic growth while substituting federal deficits for much needed reforms to the economy to regain real private sector economic growth - particularly to essential reforms to tax policy, to housing finance policy for affordability and access, and to health care access and cost structures.

Data sources: Federal Reserve, Bureau of Economic Analysis, and US Census data.