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Constitution Party of Texas presents:  
The Declaration of Independence and your God Given rights!

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## THE CAUSE

The spiritual foundation for The United States of America was established with the "Declaration of Independence". Every triumph, every instance of legitimate victory or glory, every act whereby this nation inspired its own people or the people of the world can be traced to the principles espoused in the Declaration of July 4th, A.D. 1776.

So long as America embraced those simple and profound principles, we were a nation on the rise. Insofar as we've abandoned or forgotten those principles, we have become a nation that is declining and may even be in danger of self-destruction.

But who knows what those foundation principles are? What grade school or high school in these United States teaches students to understand the "Declaration of Independence"? I've yet to hear of one.

Every 4th of July Americans celebrate our biggest, uniquely-American holiday by playing baseball, swimming, grilling hamburgers and steaks, and watching parades and fireworks. But only a handful of Americans understand what is actually being celebrated.

Many suppose that the 4th of July holiday commemorates our final victory over the British in the American Revolution. Others believe the 4th of July commemorates a particular battle during that War for Independence. Only a few understand that the 4th of July celebrates, not the end of the American Revolution, but the beginning; not an important victory, but a revolutionary set of spiritual principles that had been unknown to the Western World since at least the time of Judges in the Old Testament.

Consider: You have probably attended a 4th of July celebration for every year since you were born. Even when you were a one-year old infant, your parents probably took you to see the parade. But can you recall even one 4th of July celebration where anyone bothered to read or explain the political and spiritual principles first declared in A.D. 1776?

I'll bet you can't. I'll bet you don't know anyone who has attended a single 4th of July celebration in 40 years where the principles of that Declaration were even mentioned, let alone explained.

If you stop think about it, you might ask: "Why hasn't anyone in government or public education taught or extolled the virtues and principles of the "Declaration of Independence" in your lifetime?" Have the principles on which this nation was conceived become so politically incorrect as to be hidden and unmentioned? And if so, why?

The answer is that our government doesn't want you to know those principles are because 1) those principles lay the foundation for genuine freedom; and 2) our government is now dedicated to ruling the American people as subjects rather than serving the American people as sovereigns.

Why does government hide the principles of the Declaration of Independence? Because once you really understand the simple principles on which this nation was founded, you'll understand that our government has betrayed the American dream. Once you understand that there is no lawful basis for government to abandon those principles, you will understand that our government has intentionally betrayed and denied the fundamental principles of equality, freedom and God's sovereignty on which this nation was conceived.

That betrayal is wicked in that it's not merely an abandonment of political principles--it's an abandonment of this nation's foundation spiritual principles.

And if government doesn't want you to understand those principles, any reasonable man or woman who would truly be free should agree that learning those principles is vital to their individual freedoms and restoring a once-great nation.

## First principle--Endowed by God with rights

The Declaration was written over two centuries ago. As a result, the language is a little stilted, a little archaic by today's standards. Nevertheless, the fundamental principles are not obscure, ambiguous or difficult to comprehend.

The Declaration's second sentence is the most important. It reads:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

At first reading, that sentence and first principle may seem unremarkable but is arguably the single, most radical political statement in the last twenty centuries. However, the heart and principle of the sentence is simple:

Each and every living man and woman is individually and equally endowed by God with certain rights.

## Second principle--government's primary duty to secure God-given rights

The third sentence of the Declaration declares:

"That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."

And therein we find the Declaration's second basic principle:

The primary duty of government is to secure to each man and woman their God-given, unalienable Rights.

(Incidentally, how can a government that insists on the "separation of church and state" perform the primary duty of securing to each man his God-given, unalienable Rights? I.e., how can a government that denies the political influence and sovereignty of God also secure the unalienable rights for which God is the source?)

## Third principle--man's duty to throw off government that fails to secure God-given rights

The third principle is found in the fourth and sixth sentences of the Declaration which read:

"That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. . . . But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security."

Where the fourth sentence reads,

"That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends," the words "these ends" refer to the purposes of government as declared or implied in the first two principles: 1) recognize as self-evident that all men are endowed by God with certain "unalienable Rights"; and 2) secure those God-given rights.

Thus, the third principle of the Declaration is:

It is the right and duty of the people to "throw off" any government that refuses to recognize and secure each man's God-given, unalienable rights.

And to whom do we owe that duty? To our fellow man? To our nation? Or to God, Himself?

I believe the answer is God. I believe that...  
"Resistance to tyranny is service to God."