

2010 LONGHOUSE COALITION PLATFORM (SHORT VERSION)

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- 1) We eliminate Presidential Emergency Powers.
- 2) We install a recall mechanism of all federal office holders.
- 3) We remove corporate lobbyist influence from American government and abolish corporate personhood.
- 4) We hold George W. Bush and Dick Cheney legally accountable for torture, treason and other high crimes.
- 5) We rescind the Patriot, Military Commissions, and Homeland Security Acts.
- 6) We re-investigate 9-11.
- 7) We withdraw all U.S. military forces from Iraq and Afghanistan in 6 months.
- 8) Savings from ending the wars go for the following essential social/environmental programs:
 - 10% for reparations to Afghanistan, Iraq, and Pakistan.
 - 10% for veterans' health care and education.
 - 10% for international disaster relief and ending world hunger.
 - 10% for reparations to Native American tribes
for money held in trust improperly managed by the U.S. government.
 - 10% for building renewable energy generating systems,
i.e., solar, wind & tidal.
 - 10% for health care and medical infrastructure.
 - 10% for education.
 - 10% for rebuilding infrastructure, i.e., roads, bridges, and sewers.
 - 10% for additional forests and national parks (see #13).
- 9) We institute Single-Payer/Universal Healthcare, aka Medicare for All.
- 10) We freeze foreclosures for 5 years
or until the end of the present economic emergency.
- 11) We guarantee food stamps and 0% interest loans for utility bills.

- 12) We return a portion of the National Forests to Native Americans (i.e., American Indians). This excludes portions currently designated as wilderness and administered by the National Wilderness Preservation System.
- 13) To offset public land returned to the tribes, we either purchase outright or obtain conservation easements for an equal amount of land for forests and national parks.
- 14) We honor our nation's promise of "40 acres and a mule," to freed African American slaves without displacing anyone. We reverse federal farming policies to help family farmers instead of huge factory farms. Huge farms can go out of business and the land is allocated to fulfilling our promise to African Americans and the remainder is allotted to other small farmers.
- 15) We resolve the Latino Immigration Issue fairly.

Latinos carry the blood of the southern Indigenous tribes and are as much American as northern tribes such as the Sioux or the Cherokee. Old Mexico covered most of the Western states. Their land was forcibly taken from them by a mass armed robbery committed between 1846 and 1848, commonly known as the Mexican-American War.

Land can't be granted as reparations, because ownership of Western land was disputed between northern and southern tribes. The right to work can be granted.

Provided they have no pending felony trials and have committed no felonies since entering the country, every undocumented "illegal" of Latino origin currently in the U.S.A. will be offered legal residency and citizenship after five years or the option to stay as a "legal resident" who pays taxes. (Legal residents cannot vote but do receive health and education benefits.)

- 16) We guarantee equal rights regardless of gender or orientation:

- A) Any two people of minimum legal age can marry and possess all rights associated with marriage regardless of gender or orientation.
- B) Equal legal rights for all people, regardless of gender or orientation in jobs, human rights, and all other areas covered by law.
- C) We support the Equal Rights Amendment.

- 17) We support livable wages, strong unions, repeal Taft-Hartley restrictions, and increase minimum wage.

- 18) We oppose trade pacts, agreements, and institutions including NAFTA, FTAA, CAFTA, and WTO.

- 19) We return our nation's money supply to the People.
The U.S. Treasury prints United States' currency.
- 20) We tax stock market transactions and currency and commodities trading.
Proceeds fund small business loans.
- 21) We redirect farm subsidies from large corporate farms to small farmers
and design import and export trade policies to benefit small farmers, too.
- 22) We abolish patenting living things; i.e., seeds, DNA, genetics, etc.
- 23) Water Rights remain in the public domain.
- 24) We strengthen participation and minority representation through proportional
representation, instant run-off voting, monitoring and public financed elections,
and use a paper trail to assure fairness.
- 25) We conduct citizen-controlled open debates between all legal candidates for
President and other public offices. We welcome third party and independent candidates.
- 26) We oppose deregulation of telecommunications companies, and increase non-profit
use of airways and public access to telecommunications.
- 27) We regulate banking, create community investment banks to give low cost loans
to low income people and first time small businesses.
- 28) Environment/Ecology:
We promote recycling, renewable, sustainable energy and fund sustainable energy
research.
 - A) We support the Kyoto Treaty.
 - B) We clean our nation's drinking water. Eliminating arsenic, bio-chemical, hormones,
medical, industrial, and other toxic waste.
- 29) We restore the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, pressure Israel, India and
Pakistan to join, and start disarmament of nuclear nations mandated by Article 6.
- 30) We legalize all natural substances in their unrefined, un-distilled, natural form.
We control and tax them like alcohol and tobacco.
All "strikes" related to natural substances are expunged from criminal records.
- 31) We ban the Death Penalty

- 32) We create a Department of Peace with Congressional oversight and full access to daily briefings from various intelligence agencies including the DOD (Department of Defense) agencies.
- 33) We abide by the Geneva Convention and other international treaties regarding torture.
- 34) We normalize relations with Cuba.
- 35) We support the Longhouse Coalition Peace Plan for Israel/Palestine conforming to requirements of Hebrew Tribal Law, Jewish Law from the Torah and Prophets, Muslim Law from the Qur'an and hadiths, and New Testament Law.

10 Key Points of the Longhouse Coalition Peace Plan:

- 35-A) Create a new nation, "Israel" composed of Israel, West Bank, & Gaza, with two Sub-States/tribal areas called "Judah" and "Ephraim", respectively. Each tribal area will have its own civil government. "Judah" consists of what we call "Israel" today, "Ephraim" consists of the West Bank and Gaza. Boundaries are the same as pre-1967 War.
- 35-B) Jerusalem will be the undivided national capital. Jerusalem's security will be handled by an international peace force mutually agreed upon by both parties. The international peace force will remain until Israel's new "Congress" unanimously agrees on returning these duties to Israel's control.
- 35-C) Hebron's security issues will be handled the same as with Jerusalem.
- 35-D) All Palestinians and all Israelis, Jew, Arab, or otherwise, will be recognized as citizens of the new, re-united, state of Israel.
- 35-E) Right of Return. All Palestinians may return to live in the land and be citizens. Palestinians who've had land confiscated in the West Bank or Gaza will have their land returned. Palestinians who've had land confiscated in Judah's portion will receive financial compensation.
- 35-F) Israeli settlers in settlements in the West Bank and/or Gaza are to receive new homes within "Judah's" territory.
- 35-G) All citizens from either group who haven't killed civilians of the other tribe may purchase land in either tribal area, i.e., anywhere in the entire country.
- 35-H) Freedom of religion in both tribal areas.
- 35-I) A national army made up of both tribes.
- 35-J) One national government, with a democratically-elected "Congress" made up of twenty-four "elders" and a "President".