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Eliminate the corrupting influence of money in our political system

- Public financing of campaigns.
- Constitutional amendment overruling Citizens United, establishing the right to regulate corporations and limit or prohibit campaign contributions.
- Ban gifts to legislators by lobbyists or their clients.

Protect the people of the US from Federal Reserve and private bank abuses

- Place the Federal Reserve under the Treasury Department, with a watch-dog agency that reports to Congress and the American people at the same time the Director of the Federal Reserve reports to Congress.
- **Restore the Glass-Steagall Act** and prohibit co-ownership of commercial banks, investment banks, and insurance companies.
- Tax financial transactions to pay off Wall Street bailouts and pay down federal debt.
- Break up banks that are considered "too big to fail."

Provide essential health care for all

 Adopt the best features of successful health care plans in other developed nations, which do not rely on for-profit insurance companies for essential health care, and which are far less expensive; provide coverage for every man, woman and child; and have better medical outcomes.





Equal justice under the law

- Prohibit indefinite detention of people, including US citizens, unconstitutionally codified by Congress and approved by President Obama.
- Restore the Constitutional power of the courts to prevent abuses of Executive Branch power by restricting the use of the "state secrets" doctrine.
- Ban torture permanently and enforce prosecution for illegal acts, pursuant to the War Crimes Act, the anti-torture statute, the Convention

Against Torture, and the Geneva Conventions.

- **End impunity for felonious warrantless wiretapping** of Americans' communications, in violation of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act.
- Comply with the Due Process Clause and end assassination of US citizens.
- **End the "state of emergency"** declared by Obama and disband **NORTHCOM**, the military unit assigned to the United States.
- **Disclose the Continuity of Government** plan to Congress and the American people, including any contingency for the suspension of the Constitution.
- **Prosecute** the perpetrators of **Wall Street financial fraud** who contributed to the economic meltdown from which millions are still suffering.
- Repeal the extreme and unconstitutional invasions of privacy and civil rights contained in the PATRIOT Act.

End US empire-building through wars of aggression and overseas military bases

Put Americans back to work

- **Retrofit all federal buildings over 30 years** old to meet LEED certified standards (at least at the Gold level), employing hundreds of thousands of people in good jobs.
- **Implement a federal jobs program**, similar to the WPA and CCC programs, putting millions of people to work and vastly improving our nation's infrastructure.
- Restore US jobs by renegotiating trade agreements so they provide for FAIR trade, including provisions for workers' rights and environmental protections, to put employers of people in the US on a more equal footing with those who hire employees in other nations.

Eliminate sources of the federal debt and deficit

- Break the stranglehold of the military-industrial complex on the federal government.
- End the expensive, tragic wars that are making our nation less safe.
- Increase federal revenues through fair taxation, including an end to the budget-busting Bush tax cuts for the ultra-wealthy.



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