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Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness: are unalienable rights given to all humans by their Creator and which governments are created to protect. Nearly 250 years after the founding fathers recognized the need to declare independence from tyranny, we find ourselves at the same crossroads.

The Lompoc mayor and city council actions taken in 2020 are egregious violations of the oath each took upon entering elected office. The people's representatives closed the people's house to the people, in March of 2020. Employees and elected representatives continued to have access.

A fraud was perpetrated on the people to deny their sovereignty and subjugate them to draconian dictates. Citizens were falsely told their liberty and freedoms were restricted or cancelled to protect them from deadly disease.

Elected officials knew, or should have known, that was a falsehood generated to control and cause fear. According to the Center for Disease Control less than 10,000 people have died of COVID-19 -19 across the entire nation. Covid-19 survival rate is 99.99? % depending on age group.

In Lompoc, large businesses controlled by government and allowed to remain open, require citizens to wear masks and maintain a six- foot distance from other citizens. Essential businesses post signs: where to stand, when to load groceries on the belt for the cashier, and my personal favorite, "For your safety, restrooms are closed".

Citizens are forbidden to share a meal or coffee with friends in a restaurant or coffee shop. Restaurants are not even allowed to serve patrons outside, though restaurants are allowed to offer water bowls for dogs.

Small businesses are the very essence of freedom and liberty as well as the backbone of our economy. They are more difficult for government to control. COVID-19 restrictions are forcing mom and pop businesses out of existence.

Citizens are now under house arrest from 10pm to 5am each day.

As outlined in the Constitution of the United States of America; Amendment 14 Section 1, (No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person <u>of life</u>, <u>liberty</u>, <u>or property</u>, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws).

If complicit and proven guilty of dereliction to your oath of office, charges carry felony jail time. I request you rescind the unconstitutional actions/ordinances you have undertaken under color of law.

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