The 2020 American Food and Housing Stability Programs and Supporting a National Lock Down to Stop Covid-19

Living in America After the Covid-19 Corona Virus Assault on Our Way of Life

This Time Our People and Families – Will Come First !!!

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Taking the Prudent and Practical Approach

My original Reform proposals regarding the basic family necessities of Food and Housing were designed to work within the "regular" flow of our consumer-spending based Economy. You know normal times in our economy.

Then, along came the Covid-19 Corona Virus from China and in mere weeks just about everything is changed. The resulting horrific economic disruption here, actually makes my proposed Reforms to those two (2) critical Industries surprisingly important to recovering from our Economic crisis. Some Good News!

My initial proposals on these industries were aimed at prudent and practical Industry Reforms to insure access to and affordable Food, as well as, guaranteed citizen access to price-controlled, stable Housing – basically a "fixed address" for ALL Americans. What a concept!!

My campaign brings with it the citizen-oriented, problem-solving Campaign Platform of The Independent Party of America (TIPA). It is comprised of 39+ practical solution proposals that will actually make things better. Frankly, I will be urging Voters to elect me their President. Also to embrace my problem-solving Platform, to Vote <u>against</u> All Republican Congressional candidates, and to Vote for any Democrat or Independent running for office in November. Once We have accomplished that true patriotic challenge on November 3, 2020 – we will have a Democrat and Independent controlled US House and Senate. We will then be free to implement solutions to our Common Problems based upon the Common Good of our Citizens, our communities, the Nation, and the ailing Climate! We have the Votes to do this today!!

Of course, no one expected the Chinese New Year Gift to the World – Covid-19. And already it is a certified Global Pandemic.

I would submit that China's President Xi Jinping could consider apologizing to the World by immediately starting to construct Nuclear Power Plants (NPP). To stop building Coal Power Plants (CPP) and work to severely reduce coal use in future years.

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Two (2) Critical Reform that Meet the People's Basic and Urgent Needs

I will first present the Pre-Virus details on these proposals. Then, we will review the reasonable adjustments made to those Reforms due to the Covid-19 Virus' economic impacts. With Covid-19, the Food and Housing Programs become urgent Reforms to be implemented "immediately" for the Common Good of the Public. These Reforms can quite possibly help to maintain peace in our streets. That's not a joke, folks!!

More than "stabilizing the Markets" – our elected leaders must act to stabilize our citizens. This allows them to do just that .

Consider, that when our people are certain that they will always have an adequate Food supply <u>and</u> the security of a "fixed address" – then all Americans will feel more secure and our Society will take a big step forward. Then. Americans could then be pleased with our elected leadership.

The Food and Housing Programs are key Economic Reforms that will help to stabilize the day-to-day economy. They will help us to rebuild our Service-based economy.

The DOW Jones Industrials Average closed Friday March 13th in the 23,000 range after a most horrific week of mostly Down trading. It closed today, March 18th at 19,898.92. While we all Hope and Pray the economy stabilizes very quickly, that does not look likely to me. Thus, Prudence says to prepare for the worst, hope for the best, but be ready for whatever happens.

All 325,000,000 of our citizens enter this economically disruptive national challenge with a sincere "All for One, and One for All" attitude. We can and we will pull together and get thru this human ordeal, with as little personal and economic pain, as possible. And, yes there will certainly be widespread income pain due to the sudden lack thereof! However, we will confront and will conquer this disruptive economic challenge.

The citizen-oriented bottom line is that the Wealthy, Big Industries, the US Congress, and State governments will be required to join together and to guarantee available and affordable Food supplies, as well as, decent, stable and affordable Housing. Those basic needs are guaranteed to every American Citizen, with no exceptions.

That is the People's Expectation & Demand starting in 2020, as in NOW!

There is no time to wait. There is no time to waste...

REALITY is that some number of Americans could not pay their March rent. In April, that number will skyrocket and in May it will explode. We had best be ready!

We will protect these two (2) Basic Life needs of each American – adequate Food and decent Shelter.

The Food and Housing Programs will absolutely make a real difference in our National 2020 Economic Recovery.

Relevant Background

After the Great Stock Market Crash of Tuesday October 29,1929 – the People's daily routine rapidly disintegrated. Businesses of all types failed and too many people were suddenly without jobs.

And sadly, some people working on Wall Street actually did jump from high buildings to their death. They saw that their personal finances were crushed upon repair. They had nothing left and some simply jumped!

The Masses of Americans were without savings and quickly found themselves struggling not only for Food, but for the ability to pay their rent or mortgage. Those not keeping up with their mortgage or rent were often evicted into the streets with no pity or consideration of their plight. Many of our recent ancestors were homeless while at the same time so many homes sat empty. But the regular way of doing things had to be served. The Banks had to be served, so they threw helpless citizens into the streets. Even in the human tragedy of the Great Crash – profits still meant more than Human suffering.

Great numbers of Americans lost the security of Food and stable housing for many <u>years</u>. Our nation and all the World painfully re-grouped from Great Crash.

Even in the early 1940's, nations were still very slowly rebuilding their ruined economy's. Then, along came World War II and daily life became even worse.

I, Declare that in 2020 our Citizens will not be allowed to suffer such needless hardships. Thus, the Wealthy and Big Industries will be required to work with *We the People* to implement these Food and Housing Reforms that effectively serve the Common Good.

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Before the Virus Came to America

In my early March posting, "Trump is a Lame Duck" campaign Declaration, I briefly detailed ten (10) of the 39+ proposals. The first just happened to be about decent Food for All citizens and the second about decent Housing for All citizens. After all, Food and Shelter are everyone's "minimum daily requirement." Correct !?!

Food Industry Reform—We Will Keep ALL Our People Fed

Basic Food Industry Involuntary Reform Proposal

The public's reasonable Expectation is that All citizens will have a decent and affordable food supply.

- 1. This process will initiate the complete Reform and Restructuring of the entire American Food Industry, from Farms and Fisheries to the Grocery store shelves.
- 2. In recent years, Food prices have gone out-of-control, with no relief in sight. That will soon be stopped.
- 3. The current prices of all products in our nation's grocery stores will be immediately capped and remain capped until further notice.
- 4. Any Food related products that are controlled via the Commodities Market trading will also be capped and/or removed from Commodity trading altogether.
- 5. Any "traditional" but truly unnecessary Fees and Markups throughout the entire Food System will be publicly critiqued and probably phased out.
- 6. Grocery store workers and those in the entire Food Industry, including Union involved jobs will be protected.
- 7. Grocery store operations will begin an operational transition and will become Community Commissaries. Grocery Stores will soon become considered a Public Utility, but remain a business.
- 8. If this Food Reform is not started beforehand, as of 2-1-21, this will all be done then.
- 9. In time, All American citizens will Expect a decent food supply and local access there to.
- 10. Food will be designated as a "National Infrastructure Industry". One (1) that Americans obviously cannot live without!

Housing Reform Proposal – We Will Insure Decent Housing for All of Our Citizens

Bluntly put, the People bailed out the Banks in 2008/2009, so now in 2020/2021 the Banks will bail out the People!!

Going forward from today, the public's reasonable Expectation is that All citizens will have a decent and affordable Housing – that is, a "fixed address". The American Dream of Homeownership is again becoming more and more just a dream. Today, personal Wealth and political Power are grossly out-of-balance in America. That harmful economic imbalance will be confronted starting with our patriotic commitment to insuring Food and Housing availability and affordability for all our People.

Our Basic Citizen Housing Proposal

Certain Involuntary financial considerations will be required to keep Americans in their current housing in the event that they become unable to make their monthly mortgage or rent payments.

1. This is just plain *common sense*. All American citizens will <u>attain</u> a "fixed address". Consider that once we attain an "everyone is housed" national condition, many other related

- problems in society will be reduced in magnitude and expense to the taxpayers. Overall quality-of-life will be improved!
- 2. The government as of late, likes to estimate that some 500,000 Americans are now homeless. Those folks will be getting a fixed address. I just heard on MSNBC, that there are 114,000 homeless children in New York! That terrible number will only multiply in future weeks and months if the Covid-19 Virus is "permitted" to spread.
- 3. To efficiently manage rental Housing, we will implement the National Rent Control (NRC) Program.
 - a. Rents will become affordable and not priced to the maximum just because people have no other choices.
 - b. Under the NRC, <u>All</u> residential Rental properties in the US will be categorized based upon characteristics such as living space, location, hygiene, and overall property living condition.
 - i. Landlords will provide well-maintained properties or will be immediately fined
 - ii. Hard case Landlords will be required to spend one (1) or two (2) nights in Jail to make the urgency of the matter crystal clear for them! No criminal record, just an overnight getaway!!
 - iii. Their lawyer cannot stop the Jail requirement or the required immediate payment of fine(s).
 - c. Such pricing controls and reductions could/would be applied to all types of public Housing, including Mobile and Modular Home Parks and any Lot Fees.
 - d. Commercial Lease costs could/would also be included in this overall program to help businesses deal with excessive rate hikes.
- 4. And of course, <u>responsible</u> Landlords will be supported with special bank re-financing options, including their skipping payment(s) on a rental house loan.

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Then the Covid-19 Arrived and Met Our President's Incompetent Response

Today is March 18th. Way back in early February (2020), I was not thinking those two (2) proposals and a few others in my Platform could have any chance of being implemented prior to the outcome of the Election.

However, this year's unexpected hard turn on local economics significantly increases the human necessity for such public-friendly Reforms to be implemented. Thus, such Reforms need to become operational starting next month in April or May at the very latest.

Food Industry Considerations

This citizen-oriented Food Reform Program must now reach its full potential:

- 1. The entire Food Industry Reformation will continue and with a far greater public interest therein.
- 2. Regular chain Grocery Stores across the nation, not to include stores like Whole Foods, will transition into a Community Commissary Operations.
- 3. The Food Industry will remain private businesses and will not become government run operations. Not to be taken over and/or run by civil servants.
- 4. The Food Industry's new corporate goals will be:
 - a. Even product distribution across the nation.
 - b. No more Food deserts.
 - c. On-going Price stability and minimalization.
 - d. We will grow more and better distribute vegetables!!
 - e. Related stock held corporations will have their stockholders bought out over a practical number of years.
 - f. They will be <u>involuntarily</u> corporately reorganized into what is called an Operational Profit model. As opposed to the standard For-Profit or Non-Profit corporate structures.
 - g. Executive salaries and overall Compensation will be critiqued and sensibly adjusted.
- 5. Farmers and Corporate Farms will participate in planning for the inevitable future impacts of Sea Level Rise on farmable lands.

Housing Industry Considerations

This citizen-oriented Housing Reform Program must now reach its full public-serving potential. Again these Industry Reforms are <u>involuntary</u>:

- 1. Hopefully then starting as soon as in April, there will be No evictions for the duration of this Crisis. Including, missed monthly mortgage, rent and/or lease, etc., payment.
- 2. Our citizens must and will have stable, decent, and safe residences through this Crisis and on-going.
- 3. Insuring that fixed-address, will directly contribute to keeping the public peace and keeping crime down in our communities as the Virus washes across our nation.

Homeowner Protections

- 1. Again, if it is not started beforehand, as of 2-1-21, these Housing related programs will then be started. Financially strapped persons and families with mortgages they suddenly cannot pay will be allowed to stay in their current residences.
- 2. There will be a standard Mortgage Continuance Registration to be submitted to the respective State and/or the involved Lending institution in each situation. The Lenders will simply keep track the missed payments without all the Late Notices!! Related statistics will be provided directly to the proper State and Federal agencies and reported monthly to the public.
- 3. Lenders will be required to support this program and without financial bailouts from the taxpayers. I believe this approach may make things easier for the Banks.

4. This proposal also includes owner occupied Modular and Mobile home loans and Lot Fees!

Renter Protections

- 1. The residential Rental scenarios will be somewhat more difficult to implement and control due to the wide variety on residential housing types, but it will happen! From multi-family units, to house or condo, and shared residences the NRC program will become a standard and viable part of life in America.
- 2. The practical guidelines of the NRC will be enforced and with no mercy shown to any low-life Landlords or Park Owners that do not properly participate in this critical public program.
- 3. Renters that are missing their monthly rental payments will be allowed to stay in their residences while they seek new employment.
- 4. Of course, responsible Landlords will also be granted the same financing options with any related loans on their rental property. Landlords could also skip monthly payments on a given property.
- 5. Lenders will also be required to support this program and without financial bailouts from the taxpayers.
- 6. This proposal also includes owner occupied Modular and Mobile home loans and Lot Fees!

Utilities

This is a stickie problem area! The Nation's Utility Industry will need to step up very big in this moment of national crisis. "The lights must remain on." The government may need to support Utilities in this situation. Utilities could be helped financially, but <u>not</u> just to provide shareholders with profits.

Most everyone is going to take some hit in this Economic Recession. A Recession that could well turn into an ugly Depression if we do not act with urgency, as in NOW!! Those that prospered and benefited from the imbalanced Economic and political Power over the last few decades will now be required to make their \$acrifice for the Common Good.

Remember that while the Stock Market is an important factor in the American Economy it is not a sure thing for investors. It is corporate-oriented gambling!

In the Final Analysis

They say that in many things, timing is everything. Originally, these somewhat radical, yet publicly practical Reforms to the Food and Housing Industries were merely intended to make daily life better for our fellow Americans. To help All Americans (and restaurant owners) in controlling their Food costs. And provide some 500,000 of us with stable Housing and a Fixed Address!

However, again today is March 18th and the World is struggling with the Covid-19 Corona Virus Pandemic. Chinese government's infectious gift to the World.

Grimly and ridiculously America was and is painfully slow responding to this Health Crisis. We are weeks behind where we need to be mainly due to:

- 1. The sad, but totally predictable incompetence of President Trump to respond to any of the People's real problems.
- 2. Trump has only shown his concern for the Stock Market. *For Trump it can only be "His Profits" before the People's needs*. No surprise there. This Virus has put his leadership incompetence on global display and it is pathetic. Really!
- 3. The fact is that back in 2017, Trump (or Dishonest John/DJ as I refer to him) for no practical or intelligent reason, fired the White House staff in charge of responding to such a global Health Crisis. And then fired the related staffing at the Center for Disease Control (CDC).

A few days ago Trump was asked in a Press conference about those firings and he stated he was not responsible for it. He is truly the Liar-in-Chief.

And now Trump says he is going to bail-out the airlines. There are higher priorities for the budget dollars, but selfish Trump wants the airlines to bring people to his hotels. Too real..

Tragically, but most certainly – Trump's mindless and irresponsible actions $\underline{\text{will}}$ cost some number of Americans, many of them grandparents, their lives in 2020. As if the Voters needed another bad reason to throw out – DJ and every Republican running for office this November 3^{rd} . They are all Lame Ducks.

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The Absolute Necessity for a National Shut Down of 30 to 45 Days Starting in April

In March 2020, the Covid-19 Coronavirus health crisis is *a clear and present danger* to our local and national economies and "normal Way of Life". This is Life and Death we are dealing with here.

We must immediately make the hard decision to Shut Down the American Main Street economy. To put all Americans at home except for food, medical related issues, essential employment and services. You get the idea.

Short Term Pain – Long Term Survival

Since the start and to this day, there is such an incompetent management of this National Medical Crisis by the Trump Administration.

The Virus is already in all 50 states and DC and spreading out. Thus, we are in what they call the "Mitigation Phase" which means making <u>all</u> possible efforts to stop the spread of the Covid-19 Corona Virus.

The more we can succeed in stopping the Virus' community spread, the more the Virus can complete its lifespan without additional infections. The active Virus spread must be "geographically" – encircled or contained for it to be stopped by human beings.

Otherwise, Covid-19 will simply take its natural course of controlled community spread and the unpredictable Virus will simply continue washing across America, from coast-to-coast and north-to-south until it just naturally dies out. The actual length of that "die out" time period is TOTALLY UNKNOWN.

The old saying is, "hope for the Best, but prudently plan for the Worst". There it is!

Thus, if our nation does not succeed in or even try to Mitigate the Covid-19 Virus it will simply keep spreading as Italy found out the hard way. Apparently, we are on a similar track as Italy because of the Trump Administration's fumbling management of the Covid-19 Crisis from the very start. Yes, DJ, in simple fact President Obama would have done a far superior job. That is, with one (1) hand tied behind his back and not a hair out-of-place...

In the last week, the option of a full national Shut Down has come up on financial talk shows, news programs, and even in a Trump news conference. But, as of today everybody steps away from it. Saying that it would hurt this or that group or industry, or the Stock Market.

I suggest that decisively establishing the 30 to 45 day Shut Down will provide real leadership and the expectation that our economy can be stabilized in that period of time. That should encourage investors and again work to stabilize the Markets. .

Small minds and small Picture thinking is not only inappropriate in this situation, it is deadly.

Therefore, it is critical that We in America initiate a nationwide Shut Down as absolutely soon as possible. Even before the end of March or as early in April as humanly possible. Every day of delay means more community spread. And the more of our neighbors and family will die...

The 50 State Governors Will Need to Lead in Both Cases

So, if Trump's incompetent leadership continues which it surely will, how then will these critical decisions be made and immediate actions taken to protect our fellow Americans?

Again, right now the focus is on the American Full Economic Shut Down for 30 to 45 days in order to stop the Covid-19 from spreading any further.

Not likely through the Trump – unless he is all but forced to the next few weeks. He will not order that Shut Down due to his concern for the Stock Market. I do pray that someone will get the point across to him. Miracles do happen.

The Good News is that I believe we do have a viable political alternative. The Governors of all 50 States. *The National Governors Association!!* And they could help with all three (3) topics.

If the Trump Administration obviously does not have the Common Good of the nation as first priority, then the State level of government needs to step forward and take the lead.

For the Common Good of our nation, I am calling on and Challenging the *National Governors* **Association (NGA)** to immediately convene or teleconference to review, discuss, and then vote to start the Shut Down as soon as possible. If the Federal government will not lead, then the States will. Trump can go play golf.

Thus far, in the absence of leadership and effective coordination by the White House, the Governors in several states have stepped-up to fill the role as much as they can.

In particular, Governor Larry Hogan of Maryland and Governor Andrew Cuomo of New York are aggressively leading their respective states.

With regard to the Shut Down approach, yesterday Mayor Bill DeBlasio of New York City stated that he is seriously considering such direct action for NYC. He would need to work that out with the New York State government.

Fortunately for America, Governor Hogan is the Chair and Governor Cuomo is the Vice Chair of the NGA!

I submit that the Governors can drive the Shut Down order. If Trump blocks or resists this life saving action, then we will call on the 25th Amendment and have him removed form office. Oh happy day that would be.

After that Shut Down decision is made, the Governors can act to put the Food and Housing programs in motion. Again, missed rent due to employment loss because of the Virus already hit some Americans in March. That number could be millions of people in April and will be by May. Action to secure Food and Housing for our citizens must start NOW.

In Closing

I thank you for getting through all these 4,500 words. I pray that this has been informative and delivered objective perspective on these hard issues for your consideration.

Yes, I am only now rolling out my Independent campaign and the TIPA problem-solving Platform.

No, it is certainly not too late for my Independent political campaign to catch on with Voters and give me a real chance to become your President this November 3rd.

I present myself to You as a professional business problem-solver. I solve problems! Please see the TIPA Platform website <u>commonsense2nd.com</u>. That problem-solving Independent Platform has 39+ proposals with practical approaches and solutions to our Common Problems. The website has much more for your review, as well.

My opinion on the 2020 Presidential race is as follows:

- First on Trump. As I detailed in another posting, *Bringing in the 2021 Post-Trump and Post-Republican Party Era in America* Trump was a Lame Duck <u>before</u> the Civid-19 Corona Virus even popped up. His pathetic and soon to be deadly lack of leadership and effective action is only making this Medical Crisis worse. And will make it last longer.
 - Thus, Trump is practically considered a 2020 Lame Duck and if I have anything to with it, every Republican seat in the US Senate and the US House will lose to their Democrat or Independent opponent. The Republican Party that blatantly serves only the Wealthy and 8 to 10 Big Industries has out-lived it usefulness to the nation. It will be voted out on 11-3-2020!!
- Then about Joe Biden. It appears after Biden's victories in the March 17th set of primaries that he is in the driver's seat when it comes to claiming the Democratic Presidential nomination. Frankly, at this point the Presidential election on November 3rd is Biden's to lose. He will beat Trump with no problem.
 - o I believe that Trump cannot begin to attract the same number of votes as he did in 2016.
 - He is in my estimation to be going into this campaign season some 10 to 12 million votes behind.
 - As I said before, the Covid-19 Crisis will finish him with the public, including many in his infamous "Trump-base".
 - o If I were not running for President, I would be supporting and voting for Joe Biden.
- Finally, my admittedly underdog candidacy is intended to give the Voters a much better choice when it comes to a real problem-solving Platform. My campaign priorities and intents are to:
 - First, to make it clear to the Voters that Trump is already a Lame Duck. And for them to accept that and begin to focus on the effectiveness of the TIPA Platform versus the Democrats Platform. Mine will prove to be more acceptable to the public because it aggressively solves out Common Problems.
 - Encourage Voters to vote out the Republican legislative roadblock in the US House and Senate.
 - o Make the 2020 campaign a open debate on practical solutions to our problems.
 - Communicate my ten (10) priority legislative proposals to the Voters. And that the
 public would benefit from those being implemented before the November Election.
 To declare that they will be implemented immediately after my election and swearing
 in.
 - o Earn the Voters confidence in my problem-solving approach and leadership style and winning the 2020 Presidential Election on November 3, 2020.

So there it is my fellow American. Practical and prudent approaches and solutions for our Food and Housing challenges. And how those proposals were enhanced to deal with the Covid-19 stresses on those basic public needs.

Please consider my Independent problem-solving Platform and how it could benefit you and yours. And please consider my Independent Presidential candidacy. I would be greatly honored to be your President and work everyday to resolve our nation's problems.

May you and your family keep safe and healthy through this National Health Crisis. Take care.