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Mission/Vision

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The American government was designed to serve the people, but over time, the systems of accountability and representation have eroded. The reforms proposed here are essential to restoring a government that works for all Americans. These changes will ensure that elections are fair, that every citizen’s voice is heard, and that those in power are held accountable for their actions.

The time for reform is now. We call on all Americans, particularly those who feel their voices have been silenced by concentrated wealth and power, to join us in demanding these critical reforms. Together, we can restore the promise of the American Dream.

The American Dream Convention

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- **Theme:**

“Reclaiming the American Dream: A Call for Government Reform”

- **Date & Location:**

(To be determined based on logistical considerations. Potential locations could be in a central, accessible city with strong labor representation like Detroit or Pittsburgh)

2. Key Objectives

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Advisory Council

Composed of influential labor leaders, policy experts, and key stakeholders who provide strategic guidance.

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Comprehensive Organization, Strategy, and Policy Proposal for the American Dream Project

Our immediate focus should be three goals:

- 1) Create cohesive mission, name, branding, website and contact. (this season)
- 2) Finalize our organization's political infrastructure (this year)
- 3) Organize a labor centric political convention to produce a petition to the government (by Nov 2027 if we can)

That will lead into the long term goal of **passing the petition**.

- 1) Recruit like-minded organizations to support the petition. (2027-2028)
- 2) Relentlessly pitch the petition to elected officials. (2028-2030)
- 3) Use both party machines to primary any candidate that resists the petition (2030 being a mid-term year, which is slightly easier to upset either party).

Branding:

The American Dream Project

Mission: We stand for the reform of the American government to more readily respond the Commercial Republic, so that the American Dream can be guaranteed to be in reach for all future generations of Americans. We will accomplish this by hosting a political convention for our communities of commerce to draft a petition to government, and then by organizing support for candidates from both parties to enact that petition.

I also think we can keep the branding for the New Deal Party on Reddit and on the Discord. I think that there is room for those to be our “unofficial recruiting spaces”. Basically, we can hold those places open for anyone that wants pro-labor, pro-movement organization in the next two years, while we recruit for the convention as the American Dream Project. Then when we have the petition from the convention, we can have a soft “relaunch” introducing all our spaces to the model that will challenge the parties. I am not a marketing expert, and I can't analyze the pros and cons of mixing brands like that, but my political brain can see advantages to recruiting in one place and acting in another.

Organizational Infrastructure:

We should be a Political Action Committee, as that would position us to challenge both parties better. There are advantages to taking over the DNC, but there also are

disadvantages, namely that the machine will fight you and that to present any ideas from the Democrats automatically generates opposition from the RNC.

This also allows us to take a more decentralized structure, since our goal as a central organization would be to host a convention, pitch the petition, and coordinate resources. Any candidates we support will be candidates that are recruited and vetted by either party, even if they come from us, and they will be aiming to take party resources. In that way, the central organization doesn't have to dictate candidates or local efforts *at all*, unlike similar organizations. As long as a candidate is pushing for the petition, we don't care what else they do.

That's not to say we wouldn't specifically recruit leadership in every state, but their goals should be "our petition+local party politics for the side they are challenging as long as it doesn't interfere with the petition", and in that way, we don't need to micromanage every jurisdiction like the Democrats or the Republicans need to.

So I would keep the structure very simple:

Central Committees:

Convention Committee

Marketing and Recruitment Committee

Organizing Committee

Then have one committee for each state that all report to the Organizing Committee (perhaps committees for DNC/RNC coordination as well?). The Convention Committee is solely dedicated towards the platform/petition and the Marketing and Recruitment Committee is trying to grow us at large and recruit for other positions (which can happen as they invite people).

The Convention

There are many ways to start a movement. However, the best way to sustain a movement is to give them an actionable petition to the government that they can continue to protest for if candidates fail in a given election cycle.

We should be mobilizing people towards a movement now, that's not a question. Anyone that is upset with the status quo is welcome to join us, and in those masses, I know there will be people that can act as multipliers to our skills and influences.

But I believe that to keep those people united in a movement towards change, we need to refine a platform with the weight of our Commercial Republic. To that end, I would

propose that we host a political convention among our communities of commerce debating reforms toward guaranteeing the American Dream.

I would start by reaching out to the leaders of organized labor. If we get even one union on board, it will bolster our influence and credibility. If we get several on board, then we have a solid start to the delegations that would be recruited to such a convention.

Then we reach out to unorganized labor, first by approaching professional organizations, and then by approaching other influencers in various industries that don't have delegations yet.

Lastly, once we have a critical mass of delegations from labor, we invite the states and the parties, making it clear that the convention rules favor the delegations from labor.

The Reform Proposal

I personally think that anything short of reform will be ineffective towards our stated goals, especially in the long term. To that end, I would propose that the policy discussed at the convention be that of government reform. I would propose this as the simplest effective platform of constitutional reform:

- 1) Stop wealth expression from drowning out political expression by addressing the *Citizens' United* decision
- 2) Make our Congress more responsive to the Commercial Republic by increasing representation
- 3) Mitigate the harms of unilateral decisions by adding accountability to the federal executive

However, this strategy wouldn't be any less effective if the platform/petition proposed was geared towards labor policy in our system (like guaranteed healthcare, wages, etc.) vs. reform. The scope of the proposal would be up to our organization to decide, the weight will be given to it as a petition by the process of the convention, regardless of what it is (though of course it'd have to be something that the convention delegates can agree on).