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A household of four can live on a single full-time income. Residents of our nation should reasonably expect clean/safe air, water, land, space, food, housing, education, medical care, medications, public transportation options, working conditions and more. Our legislators shall govern and regulate services and benefits that address inequities to provide at least a minimum standard of living for all above the poverty level while providing supports for a future that improves standards of living for our descendants.

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We need to retain and gain control of as many elected positions as possible, at every level of government, to have the greatest impact to correct the damage as quickly as possible.

In order to amend the Constitution, we need 38 state legislatures to ratify each proposed Amendment. In addition, we need a 2/3 majority in the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Priority for whom to support should be candidates that hold a similar vision on where we need to go as a nation so that changes to benefit the average American can take place sooner, rather than later. We need to fix the damage done and make the changes as complete and comprehensive as possible right away to minimize suffering for all of our citizens and residents.

## **Constitutional Amendments**

Add comments, suggested revisions, etc.

## Person

#### Amendment (person) -

"Person" is defined as a living, sentient being existing outside a womb.

All persons have the right to competent, affordable medical care. All persons reaching majority have the right to choose medical procedures for and to their own bodies in consultation with their chosen licensed medical providers. No branch of the government may impose medical restrictions on a class of persons unless it is to improve or safeguard public health and those restrictions are supported by peer-reviewed and peer-accepted scientific studies. Said restrictions may include quarantine or vaccinations.

All persons have the right to self-identify their own gender. Regardless of gender, consenting adults may marry and enjoy the same liberties, benefits and rights of any other persons.

Human embryos for womb implantation shall not be genetically manipulated for the purposes of ensuring or attempting to ensure gender, physical characteristics such as color of eyes, skin or hair, personality traits, sexual orientation, or for any reason other than addressing scientifically known and proven genetic diseases or susceptibility to such genetic diseases such as Huntington's Disease or cerebral palsy, and only at the specific request of the womb-carrying parent.

Decisions about human fetuses belong solely to the womb-carrying person in consultation with their chosen medical provider(s) or if necessary, next of kin. Human fetuses shall not be genetically manipulated for the purposes of ensuring or attempting to ensure gender, physical characteristics such as color of eyes, skin color, personality traits, or sexual orientation.

Businesses, both domestic and foreign, and religious entities are not entitled to the same rights as persons and shall be significantly restricted by laws limiting their ability to influence politics and the will of the people in elections and governance.

## Congress

### **Amendment (Congress) –**

No member of Congress may serve in the House of Representatives and/or the Senate for more than thirty (30) years combined or past age seventy (70), whichever is earlier.

In the event that Congress fails in its duty to pass laws in a timely fashion to maintain continuous, uninterrupted operations and funding of the federal government and services to its citizens, no member of Congress shall be entitled to compensation for their duties until such time as said laws are passed. Rescission of Congressionally-approved funds requires a three-fourths vote of both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

No member of Congress shall engage in trading of individual stocks or digital currency during their term and for a period of three (3) years after their terms expire.

Members of Congress are prohibited from accepting a paid lobbyist or paid consultant position in any branch of government for five (5) years after their terms expire.

## **Executive Branch**

### **Amendment (Executive Branch) –**

The President, Vice President and all Agency heads shall not engage in trading of individual stocks or digital currency during their terms and for a period of three (3) years after their terms expire. They are also prohibited from accepting a paid lobbyist or paid consultant position in any branch of government for ten (10) years after their terms expire.

### Arms

#### Amendment (arms) -

The right to bear arms of the citizenry does not include weapons of mass destruction or accessories that restrict the ability of law enforcement or armed forces to track the location of the use of weapons. Excluded items include, but are not limited to, silencers, short-barrel rifles, assault weapons, missile launchers, explosives and bioweapons.

Congress shall make laws to authorize the ownership or use of said items that, at a minimum, involve age requirements, background/security/mental health checks, tracking of ownership/transfers, type of use authorized (e.g. medical research) and conditions for revocation of said privileges (e.g. unauthorized use or danger to self and others).

## Judiciary

### Amendment (judiciary) -

Federal judiciary - judges shall serve no longer than the last day of the month of their seventy-fifth birthday.

There shall be one (1) justice on the nation's highest court for every twenty-five million residents as determined by the prior decennial census for a maximum of seventeen (17) justices. Supreme Court justices shall serve no longer than sixteen (16) years or age seventy (70), whichever is reached first, and have the option to return to an open position in a lower court after their term on the highest court is completed or earlier, if the justice so desires.

All decisions made by the highest court must be accompanied with the basis for those decisions in writing and signed so that the lower courts may understand and abide by the highest court's intent.

## Expansion of House of Representatives

#### **Amendment (House of Representatives) –**

Within six months of the passage of this amendment, Congress shall take steps to increase the members of the House of Representatives, including determining space requirements and construction of a suitable building and access for the increased legislative body. A minimum of fifty seats shall be added prior to the next Presidential election cycle, apportioned as directed by Congress. At a minimum, Congress shall ensure one representative for every 500,000 adult persons in the nation as per the most recent decennial census. Congress shall revisit the number of members of the House of Representatives every decade and may determine a maximum number of members solely based on space available after the initial apportionment. Nothing in this amendment precludes Congress from finding additional space to continue to increase the House of Representatives in the future.

## Religion

### Amendment (religion) -

No branch of the government may mandate, encourage, or expect any person or institution to subscribe, follow, or teach tenets of any single religion. There shall be no national religion.

# Gerrymandering

### Amendment (gerrymandering) -

Each state shall establish an independent redistricting commission in each calendar year ending in the number zero for the purpose of a transparent and open process enabling public consideration and comment on the drawing of district lines for local/city, county, state, and federal elections. States shall provide clear guidelines for the operation of the commission, including commission member term beginnings, endings, eligibility requirements, quorum requirements, procedures, guidelines, and considerations in order of priority for a fair representative redistricting, number of potential maps and reports to be submitted, deadlines for submittal of final maps and reports in years ending in one, procedures if the commission fails to fulfill its duties prior to established deadlines, procedures for voter referendum, and procedures for lack of voter approval.

At a minimum, states shall ensure the composition of the commission is comprised of equal numbers of at least three (3) registered voters from the two (2) largest political parties in the state and at least three (3) members not registered with either of the two (2) largest political parties in the respective state. Commission members shall not hold elective public office at the city, county, state, or federal level for a period of not less than eight (8) years and shall not hold an appointed position, paid lobbyist or paid consultant position at any level of government for a period that is equal to at least half that of the restriction on elective public office.

A state shall not establish a districting plan that has the purpose or will have the effect of unduly favoring or disfavoring any political party. A state shall not initiate a mid-decade redistricting plan unless mandated by a 3-judge court order arising from a filed complaint by an eligible,

registered voter of the state for violations of federal or state districting criteria or violations of unduly favoring or disfavoring any political party.