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Dear PDC;

I think it's time to ask the question: When did election crimes stop mattering? Who is responsible for enforcing election law?

We have Avrum (Alex) Tsimerman going another election season without ONE filing of campaign finance transparency paperwork. Not one filing for 2024 or 2023. Nor any fines paid. He's also right now up for a competency hearing on December 6 in King County District Court. Might want to weigh in on that one and get Alex off of the hustings.

We have Let's Go Washington literally bribing people at the gas pump to campaign for their anti-transit CCA-repeal initiative. If your staffer is correct you can't or won't enforce RCW 29A.84.250 (3), then who does? <u>Shouldn't we have ONE election law enforcement agency?</u>

The PDC also listens to staff swatting down rulemaking to make the PDC more responsive to its supporters like Conner Edwards and me. Making frienemies out of friends is a bad look, and denying any effort to get the PDC out of the slump is making those who believed in the PDC indifferent about the PDC's future.

I'm happy to welcome Assistant AG Susie Giles-Klein back from maternity leave. Some of us can now exhale, and all of us should welcome a legend of the PDC back to her post. We've done what we can here. Now it's time to do more and prepare for six months of smarts, strength, and restoring honor because the 2010s called. They want their PDC back. The one that stood up to Tim Eyman - and broke him.

I believe the Commission is composed of underpaid, underappreciated volunteers who hear from the same three middle-aged white men who should be in a lottery to have one of us *voluntold* to take the next vacancy and publish our diary of service. But <u>I also believe this state's campaign integrity is being turned into Swiss cheese.</u>

I quote Senator McCain to you,

"We live in a land made of ideals, not blood and soil. We are the custodians of those ideals at home, and their champion abroad. We have done great good in the world. That leadership has had its costs, but we have become incomparably powerful and wealthy as we did. We have a moral obligation to continue in our just cause, and we would bring more than shame on ourselves if we don't. We will not thrive in a world where our leadership and ideals are absent. We wouldn't deserve to."

To:

I agree. We live in the best nation on Earth and the best state in the Union. The problem is when we lose the resolve to defend the rule of law. To defend our democracy.

As always, I quote Zelensky to you as well,

For some, "victory" has become an uncomfortable word. Unfortunately. And in reality – we understand – victory is not easy to achieve.

But only victories bring glory to a country. And they allow us to preserve the true memory of heroes for centuries to come. And they give the country the ability to live. To live independently, to live freely, sovereignly, on its own land and by its own laws.

We need and deserve VICTORY over Tsimerman. The truly disabled Washingtonians deserve VICTORY over Let's Go Washington and the shenanigans they pull while targeting our ability to even have a future. I'll also add VICTORY in getting the State Republicans to heel before election law, sadly.

I love this state enough to make some people angry. It's time for a new PDC that works. That's going to defeat Tsimerman instead of be exposed by that anti-Semite Tsimerman. Because we all know the truth: The anti-Semites won't stop with Jews and the disability community and a few Eastside female politicians, they'll stop at ending democracy.

The PDC is supposed to be the firewall to that, not a glorified tripwire. Instead, it's become two steps better than the... United Nations. Barely effective, getting maybe 55% compliance as a speed bump, and nobody is talking about giving the PDC the weapons necessary to go toe-to-toe and win like she did against Tim Eyman.

Let's get to work building a better firewall where the PDC can enforce <u>all</u> election laws and lock up the worst scofflaws. That's a PDC worth fighting for, and I ask for your support please. Straight on until April and *Sine Die*. No brakes - and certainly no quit.

For victory. For our heroes. For our ability to live in a representative democracy, with freedom and sovereignty by our own laws.

Thank you;

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