

## OFFICIAL RELEASE



### **The People's Tribune Council Announces Launch to Restore Accountability** *Reviving a Historic Safeguard on the Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party*

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#### **A New Civic Watchdog for the Rights of the American People**

On the 252nd anniversary of the Boston Tea Party—the moment that ignited the American Revolution—experienced patriots and civic leaders announced the official launch of the [\*\*People's Tribune Council\*\*](#), a new, historically grounded civic body established to safeguard the natural and constitutional rights of the American People.

On December 16, 1773, ordinary citizens acted not in rebellion against law, but in defense of liberty, accountability, and consent of the governed. The People's Tribune Council is founded in that same tradition—not to govern, legislate, or prosecute, but to ensure that those who wield public power remain accountable to the People who vested them with it.

Modeled after the ancient Roman *Tribunus Plebis*—the Tribune of the People—the Council revives a time-tested civic safeguard designed to stand between citizens and the abuse of state power. In ancient Rome, the Tribune existed to speak when elites would not listen, to shield citizens from unjust prosecutions, and to restrain corruption before it hardened into tyranny.

Today, the American Republic faces a parallel crisis: the rise of lawfare, jurisdictional evasion, selective enforcement, and procedural punishment—aimed at parents, dissidents, whistleblowers, and ordinary citizens.

“The People’s Tribune Council exists because a free republic cannot survive when accountability collapses,” said organizers. “This is not a partisan project and not a substitute for existing institutions. It is a civic instrument designed to restore the People’s capacity to judge the conduct of their rulers when other safeguards fail.”

The Council will gather testimony, document patterns of abuse, expose jurisdictional manipulation, and communicate its findings publicly and, where appropriate, directly to executive authority—including the President of the United States. Its authority is moral, arising from the same self-evident Natural Rights articulated in the Declaration of Independence. It claims no power of coercion; it operates instead through transparency, evidence, and disciplined public scrutiny—the rightful instruments of a free people.

The Council does not serve donors, lobbyists, or political factions. Its authority rests on the principle that government derives its just powers from the consent of the governed. When that consent is abused or bypassed, the People retain both the right and the duty to demand correction. The People's Tribune Council draws its lawful justification from this truth—not to claim power, but to exercise supervisory judgment. It exists to fulfill the role the Founders assumed the People would never surrender: to evaluate the conduct of their rulers, identify abuses of authority, and demand a return to first principles when government departs from them.

Organizers emphasized that formal recognition of the People's Tribune Council by President Donald J. Trump would represent a historic act of constitutional restoration—giving the People a renewed seat at the table and fulfilling the promise articulated on January 20, 2017: that power would be transferred back to the American People. Such recognition, they noted, would stand as a defining legacy of a presidency committed to accountability, equal justice, and the defense of citizens targeted for lawful dissent.

The People's Tribune Council is launching alongside the publication of a forthcoming *Common Sense for the 21st Century*, a modern companion to Thomas Paine's revolutionary pamphlet, which argues that liberty is preserved not by procedure alone, but by a vigilant, morally grounded citizenry capable of judging power.

## Call to Action

The public is invited to take part in this historic restoration by [signing the People's Tribune Council letter and petition to President Donald J. Trump](#), calling for constitutional accountability and protection for citizens subjected to lawfare and procedural abuse. Even prior to its promotion, the petition already has over 30,000 signatures.

👉 Sign the letter at: <https://ThePeoplesTribuneCouncil.com>

**As Americans once acted together to reclaim their rights in 1773 and 1776, the People's Tribune Council invites citizens today to reclaim their rightful role as guardians of liberty—firmly, peacefully, lawfully, and with common sense.**



Dear Mr. President,

In response to your January 20, 2017 inaugural promise to return power to the people, we have formed a PEOPLE'S TRIBUNE COUNCIL to ensure that mandate is fulfilled. We write on behalf of Americans persecuted under a DOJ weaponized under previous administrations, urgently seeking decisive action on their behalf.

*"Today we are not merely transferring power from one Administration to another, or from one party to another—but we are transferring power from Washington, D.C. and giving it back to you, the American People. January 20th, 2017, will be remembered as the day the people became the rulers of this nation again."*

Mr. President, your mandates to restore the American People are being mishandled, and your own Executive Orders are being disregarded. It is abundantly clear that the government no longer represents the best interests of the People as enumerated in the Constitution. The sacred principle of Rule of Law has degraded into abusive rule by law, and the term “lawfare” is ubiquitous—a condition that led the people of England to compel King John to sign Magna Carta in 1215. As James Madison wrote, “The People are the only legitimate fountain of power.”

When the government was weaponized against you and your family, Mr. President, the American people stood with you. Now, citizens targeted simply for protecting their families and their country ask for you to stand with them and honor them as the heroes and patriots they are. The Council is stepping forward as ambassadors to safeguard their constitutional rights by communicating them directly to you.

Ordinary citizens were pursued and prosecuted with stunning speed, yet even under your leadership, the public knows that justice is not available for ordinary Americans—an imbalance that could have profound consequences.

You gave the power back to the People in 2017; as upstanding citizens, we are ready to exercise that power. We are ready to sit at the table with you on behalf of the American People. We sign this letter in good faith that you will keep your word to the citizens of our great nation.

Respectfully,

Kelly John Walker, FreedomTalk Founder, November 18, 2025  
Joe Hoft, JoeHoft.com November 19, 2025  
David Sumrall, StopHate.com Founder, November 19, 2025  
Alex Newman, Journalist, November 24, 2025  
Sam Sorbo, Co-Founder, PDJA November 19, 2025  
Seak Smith, Founder, Mom Army, Dad Army November 19, 2025

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-Samuel Adams

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In ancient Rome, the office of the *Tribunus Plebis*—the Tribune of the People—was created in 494 BC when ordinary Romans walked out of the city rather than live under an oppressive ruling class. Their demand was simple: **Establish an authority whose purpose was to protect citizens from the government that claimed to serve them.**

This office soon became one of the most extraordinary safeguards of liberty ever devised. Tribunes could speak for the People when the ruling class refused to listen; they could veto corrupt laws, shield citizens from unjust prosecutions, and stand as a living check on elite overreach. As ancient writers reminded us, “The Tribunes were the sacred guardians of liberty” (Livy), and “the Tribune alone stood between the citizen and the might of the state” (Plutarch).

Today, the American Republic faces a crisis with unsettling similarities. Bureaucracies have been weaponized against parents, citizens, and dissidents, producing political prosecutions, selective justice, and two-tiered systems that violate the very fabric of constitutional order. The People again require a voice that stands between them and a government that has forgotten its mandate.

In response, experienced patriots\* have formed the People's Tribune Council—an American revival of that ancient civic safeguard. Its purpose is not ceremonial; it is practical and urgent. The Council exists to defend citizens when government refuses to, echoing the courage of the Roman Tribunes and the resolve of America's Founders.

Samuel Adams warned that when corrupt men reach the highest seats of government, “our country will stand in need of its experienced patriots\* to prevent its ruin.” Madison likewise affirmed that “the People are the only legitimate source of power.”

This moment demands such a safeguard. The People are not asking permission—nor do they need to. As the Tribune Council states, “We aren’t asking permission. God already gave it.”

With the rise of the People's Tribune Council, the American People are reclaiming their rightful seat at the table—and the Republic may yet remember itself.

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