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**\*\*Washington, D.C.\*\***

### **Open letter to President Donald J. Trump: The Citizens of Washington, DC Utter Disapproval of Harmful Tactics and Militarization Against Civilians.**

Dear Mr. Trump,

We write to express our profound dismay and condemnation regarding your recent unbecoming actions of a true leader in our dear city of Washington, DC that have employed harmful tactics and sensationalized political rhetoric to justify the deployment of military forces against troubled, as well as innocent civilians in our town. Such measures not only undermine the fundamental rights and safety of our city but also erode the values of democracy, dialogue, and respect that we hold dear.

The use of militarized force as a tool to suppress dissent or intimidate citizens is deeply troubling and sets a dangerous precedent. When elected leaders resort to tactics that threaten our inherent rights as Americans and prioritize federal coercion over peaceful resolution, it damages the trust and integrity essential to our democratic fabric.

We've watched as you have attempted to erode the respect of our diverse citizenry, and generations of Washingtonians whose ancestral history will never be erased or marred by your futile attempts to shame us around the world. The wellness of all of our citizens here in Washington, DC and across the nation has been compromised by your selfish choices and inability to demonstrate a level of decency that should be becoming of an American leader and certainly a President.

Mr. Trump you touted yourself as a "peacemaker" of several wars yet you have weaponized America's military resources against civilians and troubled youth. Instead of demonstrating true leadership you have chosen to cowardly use our city leaders' failures to constitute an unacceptable abuse of power. This approach fosters division, inflames tensions, and challenges the social cohesion necessary for a healthy society.

How can you justify ignoring the violent crime in states that represent your political party? What makes you qualified to “call out” the criminal acts of our youth above the many criminal acts that you yourself have not shown accountability for, while using your money and influence to evade the very laws that you have made a mockery of and claim to hold our troubled and lost youths here in Washington, DC accountable to? How can you consider yourself a man of faith and watch as our young children, seniors, and vulnerable citizens, many of them veterans that have served this country, fall prey to your soulless actions?

We call upon moral and responsible Congressional leadership to join us in the rejection of your unamerican, opportunistic behavior. We reject your actions here in Washington, DC and are seeking true patriotic and intellectual solutions. We the citizens of DC will never concede to your illegal efforts to take our city. We request Presidential leadership that engages in worthy, transparent, dialogue that does not continue to allow the citizens of Washington, DC to be held hostage to your invasion of our democracy. Our city and our country deserves a leader who prioritizes peace, understanding, and the protection of civil liberties over greed, and entitled behavior.

No government or Presidential leader should weaponize force against its own people, much less those that have been left to live with egregiously fraudulent and power hungry elected officials who have continually ignored the health and well-being of their constituents.

Shame on you and Ms. Muriel Bowser for playing leaders while our less fortunate citizens remain pawns in your unqualified displays of leadership.

Leave our city affairs to the citizens of Washington, DC. Our rights as citizens are not yours to toy with nor disregard. We, as proud Washingtonians and DC citizens are galvanizing to legally and civilly remove your unhealthy showing of unintelligent power and rhetoric from harming the futures of our children. You have disappointed us in your failure to act as an honorable President for all. Shame on you, and shame on all who support your disgraceful threats to humanity.

Repent and search your soul for the decency and dignity that men of faith should always represent. Mental health always matters and your “theater of politics” must end. We are DC.

Submitted on behalf of the DC Citizens Project Take Back Our City.

Respectfully,  
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