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BOSTON UNITY DAY

On Sunday, September 7, at 1:30 p.m. THE BOSTON CHAPTER OF RESTORE OUR ALIENATED RIGHTS (ROAR) WILL SPONSOR A MAMMOTH RALLY ON CITY HALL PLAZA TO PROTEST THE DEPRIVATION OF OUR BASIC AMERICAN FREEDOMS BY THE FEDERAL AND STATE JUDICIARY AND BUREAUCRACY.

EVERY CITIZEN OF BOSTON WHO FEELS ONE OR MORE OF HIS OR HER CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS HAS BEEN VIOLATED IS INVITED TO JOIN ROAR AND OUR FELLOW BOSTONIANS IN PROTESTING THE STEADY EROSION OF OUR RIGHTS AS AMERICANS AND INDIVIDUALS.

OUTGOING SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE CASPAR WEINBERGER RECENTLY WARNED THAT THIS NATION IS HEADED TOWARDS A MASSIVE TOTALITARIAN STATE. JOIN US IN PROTESTING AND, HOPEFULLY, REVERSING THAT DIRECTION.

WE MUST UNITE SO THAT EXCELLENCE, AND ONLY EXCELLENCE, IS THE MEASURE OF A MAN'S OR WOMAN'S CHARACTER AND WORTH TO THE REST OF SOCIETY.

JOIN US ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, CN CITY
HALL PLAZA AT 1:30 P.M. JOIN US AND HELP RESTORE ALL OUR ALIENATED RIGHTS.

JOIN US IN OUR MASSIVE DISPLAY OF
SOLIDARITY AGAINST THE FORCES THAT WOULD ENSLAVE US AGAINST OUR WILL.

JOIN US

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To the Citizens of Boston

Monday September 8 is getting closer. That day, as many are so painfully aware, will herald the second phase of a massive social experiment. An experiment imposed on the working people of Boston by a tyrannical judge with the support of an arrogant and insensitive social elite.

This experiment, this meddling in the lives and destinies of American citizens, is such an obvious affront to our basic freedoms and rights that it must be stopped at all costs. Thinking people realize this.

But the deck seems to be loaded against those who assert their right to maintain control over their own lives and those of their families. The invisible forces of the most powerful government on earth are hard at work oppressing the citizens it pretends to represent. It is forcing on them this cruel experiment that will tear down the fabric of family and community life and destroy the cherished traditions of proud neighborhoods.

Busing can not be allowed to work in September. Media executives and the 'experts' who commute from the suburbs to their ivory towers, can not be allowed to call busing a success.

The irony of the situation is that many of these 'experts' now recognize that busing is a failure and has not, and can not, achieve its goal of producing quality, integrated education.

In the 1971 Supreme Court decision of Swann vs. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education, the justices ordered desegregation to be implemented by busing and an immediate abandonment of the neighborhood school concept. This was the precedent on which Judge Garrity based his decision.

However, the Supreme Court based its ruling on a 1966 study known as 'The Coleman Report', which advocated integration as a means of raising educational levels. Although the report did not mention busing, Ernest Q. Campbell, co-author of the report, asserted that "busing was a reasonable use of the report's findings."

Now, nine years of chaos and confusion later, Campbell says ". . . the negative consequences of busing are larger than we thought. It turned out that it misfired, but it was worth trying."

Well, thanks a lot buddy, many have paid dearly for your mistake.

So now we have a situation where the experts acknowledge that busing doesn't work, (but don't have to suffer the consequences of their mistake due to their privileged position in society) where 72 percent of the American people, black and white, favor an anti-busing law, and the government uses its almighty power to 'enforce' the law' however unpopular that law might be. The government does not accept the idea that a law can be a mistake, and one is reminded of their futile efforts to enforce prohibition. Unjust laws that limit our basic right to decide for ourselves the way in which we want to live and the kind of life we want for our families and children must be fought.

It was once illegal for women to vote. They got that right only after a long and courageous struggle. Prohibition was repealed only after widespread non-compliance and resistance to the law. Just becuase a law is a law doesn't mean that that law is right or can't be changed. Busing is now the law, but that law will be changed after the appropriate point has been made clear to those in Washington that the people will not tolerate it.

If this absurd law is allowed to continue, it will be a signal to those who seek to sue the power of government, rather than individual initiative, to demand more intervention from Washington to "meet their needs". The government will meet more and more of these demands made upon it, the bureaucracy will grow and grow to accommodate and implement these demands. And a government that is big enough to give us all we want, is surely big enough to take all we have.

So we're left with the question, what can we do about it? The busing fiasco has now been let go so far that only a constitutional ammendment can change it. That process will take at least five years, we can't afford to wait that long. We can't afford the devastating racial polarization that continued efforts at busing is producing, and we can't afford to educate a generation of our children in high schools that have become armed camps full of hate and violence.

What is necessary is massive civil disobedience, a tactic that has been used with a high degree of success in this country and others. We can learn from the strategies of the early civil rights movement and the anti-war demonstrations. The police can't arrest a thousand people sitting in the street blocking the buses. Violence should be avoided. If used at all it should be directed towards the police if they try to deny citizens the right of free assembly. The police, we must recognize, have a job to do and are only carrying out the orders of an increasingly authoritarian government, but they rely to a great extent on their image, a show of force and intimidation to control a crowd situation. They are under orders to use as little physical coersion as possible. They must be stood up to. They are our servants, not our masters. We also pay their salaries.

The boycott is clearly a powerful weapon and one which the phase II planners fear the most. It should be supported by every concerned parent on September 8.

Finally there is the fear that the affected communities, especially South Boston, have of 'outsiders'. This is understandable in the light of outrageously biased media coverage and a massive infiltration of FBI agents, Justice Department officials and assorted other government agents into their neighborhoods. (Wasn't that only supposed to happen in Russia?)

However, there are a vast number of other citizens who sympathize with the plight of parents who must send their children into strange and hostile neighborhoods and have them exposed to a vastly different value system and an alien culture. There are also many college students, for example, who would jump at the opportunity to help teach in the new private schools that are springing up.

Unaffected parents must also realize, especially those in the suburbs, that if Phase II is allowed to be a 'success', they too are in imminent danger of losing control of their school systems and suffering the humiliation of feeling the cutting edge of a dictatorial federal government.

The busing problem then is not just Southie's or Eastie's or the North End's or Charlestown's, but everyone's problem. It is the duty of every citizen to speak up against the current reign of judicial tyranny.

We would do well to remember the words of that enlightened British statesman, Edmund Burke, who continually blasted the British government for its imperialistic rule of the American colonies:

"All that is necessary for evil to triumph, is for good men to do nothing."