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OUR MOMENT

My fellow Americans,

I implore you to step-up now. Recent events have revealed how our American justice system too often leans toward power, control, socialism and a desire of some to transform us into a police state. This is not the America I was raised to believe in and defend. Not the America I spent 2½-years in combat zones to support our way of life.

Do not miss the opportunity that the momentum of this moment has created! Every American citizen should get involved (peacefully of course) to vote, write letters and protest.

Not your problem? Groups like ISIS and Al-Qaida are actively recruiting disenfranchised, suffering American citizens to repeat attacks on U.S. soil similar to the Boston Marathon bombing. That was one attack. In Iraq, 2004 we were experiencing 100 to 300 attacks every day!

Our over aggressive use of prisons, courts and parole system is stealing the hope of thousands, maybe millions, of people to ever become stable, secure, law-abiding citizens. Over 2-million people are in prison today. Over 8-million are floundering, scarred and caught-up in parole, probation or ongoing court procedures. "Marked for life" and struggling to be fairly treated in the job and housing market. Then there is the ripple effect on children, family and communities...

Only together, as a nation, can we face this

corruption and repair the damage done by a few greedy politicians and officials. Prisons should never be a "money making" or state employment opportunity that only succeeds by exploiting a defenseless population.

I beg all the honorable, patriotic law-enforcement and correctional officers, prosecutors and judges to please look beyond your own financial situation and peer pressure toward a more secure future for all Americans. Do what is right before God Almighty and your good conscience. Do not allow a few corrupt, selfish people or organizations (like Unions) to intimidate you into silence. It's time to correct this unjust power grab so destructive to the fabric of America. Shouldn't the U.S. be a model of a great and successful justice system? An example of how a society has a "declining" prison population, (ours is increasing) where citizens regain their lives, make proper reparations and can gladly become law-abiding citizens without being bounded every time they walk down the street?

When I used to think, "anyone in prison is scum!" how wrong I was to hold that view. "They deserve to die or be kicked out of my country!", I believed. I've seen the truth. There are very few, truly evil, hard core criminals in prison. But a system eager to generate arrests, prosecutions and lengthy prison terms. Many of my family, friends, fellow patriots, Marines, Sailors and Soldier buddies as well as church friends have similar views as I once did. Police and prisons are needed and very important to our free-democratic-republic,

but it has become so unbalanced. So internally self-protective to cross the line into criminal and moral corruption. What happened to us?

It always makes me sad when I remember that the only time I've ever had to rely on my P.O.W. training (Prisoner of War) was during the 3-years I was in County jail awaiting trial. Continuous and daily, low-level forms of harassment, intimidation, fear, violence, sleep deprivation... use of privileges, food, water, safety, showers and medication to "control"... a borderline "slave" labor environment... all designed to "break a persons will" so they will more easily submit to a sentence, plea-bargain or cop-out. The regular use of monitoring mail, phone and visits to give prosecutors information and leverage in court proceedings.

I feel great hope in seeing Americans of all colors standing up for justice. Let there be no mistake about this critical juncture of American history. Stand now for a better America or sit back and watch as our enemies gain ground, then we really become a police state (e.g. Germany-1939, Rome-100 B.C.).

Sending this letter is a great personal risk for me. It could lead to severe harassment and years of suffering for me. Revealing corrupt practices or standing-up for justice within the prison system often results in threats, job loss, eventually violence, new criminal charges and even death. Death is usually illness without care or other inmates you're forced to house with. So, what are you willing to do today to restore America into the proud and just nation our forefathers intended? 