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PLATFORM: FOR OUR CHILDREN
2028 ELECTION

I support a president who will acknowledge and work to fulfill Martin Luther King's dream of equal treatment--and the stewardship example of Native Americans. I support a president who works for de-militarization around the globe—with democracy and self-determination as policy cornerstones.

I support a president who will re-start the task of fulfilling the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty in the world arena. This president would confer and collaborate with other nations to revise the United Nations Charter, with the goal of eliminating the Security Council and positioning the General Assembly to determine peace-making and peace-keeping initiatives—in a democratic and timely manner.

I support a president who will dedicate to strengthening the public school system and work for affordable health care for all age groups—as well as affordable housing for all citizens. This president will work to balance the budget through efficiency, consolidation of government programs and negotiating trade, tariff and peace treaties.

This president will lead the country and world in fighting Global Warming. Renewable energy efforts will be multiplied by this president--including research, consumer rebates and tax incentives to bring all business sectors to zero-carbon. Distributed generation of electricity will be favored. Trade schools and renewable energy programs in high school and junior college will be supported. Science will be supported and invited.

I support a president who will focus on clean air and water and hazard-free communities for all citizens. Streams will be protected, with their biodiversity--and wildlife, wetlands, open space and trees for cities will be supported.

I support a president who will work for an amendment to the U. S. Constitution that will eliminate the Electoral College, and super-delegates--and require one-person, one-vote for all elections & primaries: party, union, local, state, national. I support a president who will work to minimize the influence of money in elections & lobbying. Now is the time: for our children.

STATEMENT FOR SAN GORGONIO WILDERNESS CONGRESSIONAL HEARING
National Orange Show Grounds Auditorium, San Bernardino, CA Submitted 1963 (edited):

Mount San Gorgonio teaches young people what parents, schools and all the world of man cannot. San Gorgonio is not just a block of granite. From the wildness of such a mountain lessons can be learned. The youth who spend part of their summer in the San Gorgonio Wilderness Area learn to live with nature, and their fellows—and perhaps to form a personal connection to the created world.

We today are choosing the environment that our children will inhabit. The boy or girl Scout, or camper, of tomorrow will have no choice but to accept what society ravages or preserves for them. The Wilderness is now, today, open to skiers, hikers, campers alike.

We ask simply for the continued integrity of one of Southern California's few remaining wild areas. Future generations would be the losers forever, if a ski development paved Slushy Meadows—the heart of the wilderness and headwaters of the Santa Ana River. We argue for ourselves, and for the youth of Southern California of today and the future. We urge the continued use of this Wilderness Area in its present natural state, by any and all, and the permanent protection of the Area as part of the proposed Wilderness Act. --Chuck and Ron Simmons Yucaipa, CA

For Our Children from: **A Life Hiking Southwest Mountains**

Can we provide and preserve
refuge for the wild animal,
blue skies for city-dwellers
(with havens of trees),
clean water, with ample
for the endangered trout--
for homeless and refugee,
space, as if for you?

Can we arc our future
toward self-determination,
nationhood for kindred souls,
one-person one-vote,
including yours--
replacing with majority vote,
Security Council
and College of Electors?

Can we steward human rights,
and the NNPT, put an end to enmity,
and choose leaders and ambassadors
who work to make amends--
who forge sister and brotherhood
where “them” and supremacy stood?

Can we stem rising seas,
and re-purpose GDP
for beauty on earth,
zero-carbon energy,
and our children's future's integrity?

Can we stop the machines of war,
the Guernica of bombs and drones,
the killing of humans without trial?

PLATFORM FOR OUR CHILDREN AND COUNTRY

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*** Expand Medicare to all: Congress and Federal workers, too *** Raise Federal Minimum Wage
*** Apprentice Jobs Training for Homeless in Homebuilding and Renewable Energy Sectors
*** Restructure Home & Auto Loan Amortization Schedules to Build Earlier Consumer Equity
*** Use Embassies, Free Trade, Arms Reduction Treaties, Self-Determination—to Foster Peace
*** 1-Person=1 Vote Amend.**Expand Social Security Payroll Tax to All Income for System Solvency
*** Restore Dept. of Education; Support Public Schools; Increase Teacher Salaries & Mentoring
*** Support Amendments to Balance Budget and Replace Electoral College with Popular Vote
*** Reduce Vehicle Fuel Costs by Rapid Transition to Renewable Energy and Electric Cars
*** Protect the Environment: Adopt Uniform Air & Water Quality Standards for All 50 States
*** Reduce Wildfires by Distributed (on-site) Electric Generation * Protect Wetlands & Streams
*** Allow DACA Citizenship & Expedite Court & Vetting Path to Citizenship for Undocumented
*** Seek International Treaties for Reducing Nuclear, Conventional & Drone Weapons*Support NATO
*** Rejoin the Paris Climate Accords and the World Health Organization *** Support Science
*** Support Academic Freedom, AmeriCorps, PeaceCorps, and Cultural and Student Exchange
*** End Gerry-mandering, using a math grid to outline Congress Districts ** Restore PBS & NPR $$
*** Support World Court & Int. Criminal Court ** Replace Security Council with Gen. Assembly Vote
*** PAC& Corporate Donations to Public Campaign Fund Only * Equal Rights: All persons, All Lands
*** Change the focus of Los Alamos National Lab to Renewable Energy Generation and Transmission