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To: Governor Nikki Haley

Dear Governor Haley,

STAND WITH THE BUNDY FAMILY  
SUPPORT OATH KEEPERS & CONSTITUTIONAL SHERIFFS  
STATES, CONGRESS MUST FIGHT FED LAND GRABS

On July 13, 1787 the Continental Congress enacted An Ordinance for the Government of the Territory of the United States northwest of the Ohio River, known forever as The Northwest Ordinance. It laid out criteria on territorial governance and eventual statehood in the Union.

Sections 1, 7, & 12 called for temporary Federal governance over the territory as public land. When a State was made from this territory, it was to be on equal terms.

"Whenever any of the said States shall have sixty thousand free inhabitants therein, such State shall be admitted, by its delegates, into the Congress of the United States, on an equal footing with the original States in all respects whatever..." (Article 5)

While the Northwest Ordinance predates the U.S. Constitution, it was smartly grandfathered in with the Debts and Engagements clause providing that, "all debts contracted and engagements entered into, before the adoption of this Constitution, shall be as valid against the United States under this Constitution, as under the Confederation" (US Const., art. VI § 1).

AND the Feds' disposing of land ownership to STATES is a power specifically given to CONGRESS to see through -- not left up to the Executive OR Judicial Branch to do whatever it wants.

"[T]he Congress shall have the power to dispose of and make all needful rules and regulations respecting the territory of other property belonging to the United States" (U.S. Const. art. IV § 3.2)

The trouble all started when CONGRESS passed the Forest Reserve Act of 1891 which IGNORED THE CONSTITUTION and handed the U.S. president vast powers to "set apart and reserve, in any state or territory having public land bearing forest...as public reservations."

The National Forest system expanded under Republican progressive Theodore Roosevelt to 33 MILLION ACRES in 1905. It allotted itself another 30 MILLION the following year.

The Transfer Act of 1905 charged the Feds with "managing" the national forests. BUT MANAGEMENT IS NOT OWNERSHIP! The Bureau of Land Management laying siege to Bundy Ranch cattle is a mutant of the Taylor Grazing Act of 1934, which gave the Feds MORE CONTROL. However unconstitutional, the Federal government didn't officially declare its refusal to cede land control to our States until the 1970's with the Federal Land Policy & Management Act of 1976. It states, "the Congress declares that it is the policy of the United States that the public lands be retained in Federal ownership" (Sec. 102(a) 1)

The Supreme Court case *Bolln v. Nebraska* (1900) states, "upon the admission of a state it becomes entitled to and possess all the rights of dominion and sovereignty which belonged to the original states" (173 U.S. 83). With the Federal Land Policy & Management Act as presently interpreted, this will NEVER happen in the West.

BLM has abused Bundy family members and other citizens...

BLM has unjustly confiscated and killed Bundy's cattle.

It all boils down to this:

The Federal government MUST abide by the Constitution and properly dispose of their "public" land holdings to the States AS REQUIRED by our Founding Fathers -- and Congress and the States MUST no longer aid and abet their unconstitutional Federal abuse with Act after Act of illicit statutory law.

Unless We the People, Our States and OUR CONGRESS stand up to BLM's out-of-control Federal government tyranny over our rights and property -- the sovereign citizen in America will have become the servant of government, and liberty will be imperiled.

Do your duty, stand with the Constitution!

Sincerely,

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