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The Free Mumia Five Point Plan If Not Now, When? By U-Savior BlackCommentator.com Guest Commentator

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Instead of bailing Out Mega Corporations that have sucked the life blood from the community, endorsed slavery, raided pensions, decimated savings, created the perfect environment for scams and put home owners, renters and their families out on the street - FREE MUMIA!

The Supreme Court, the highest court in the land, handed George W. Bush the election despite the democratic popular vote to the contrary and as a direct result of that court's decision we witnessed the erosion of civil liberties, scandals, torture and illegal wars that have killed hundreds of thousands. The world suffered greatly. Today this same court will not hear the case of Mumia Abu Jamal, an innocent man who has served over 25 years in prison on death row- in effect letting his conviction stand. This is not surprising! But this IS outrageous! This is disrespectful not only to Justice everywhere but to the Black Community in particular. What are we going to do about it? Um...here's a thought:

The Free Mumia Five Point Plan:

- 1. Tell Your Mama AND Obama: To all the supporters of the Obama Administration: make this a central issue. If he's unwilling FORCE him to use every ounce of his reach and influence from presidential pardons to civil and human rights investigations to demand justice. Challenge his position and prepare to expose to the world where the real power is.
- 2. Shame Weak Leadership: Those in "leadership" in the Black community who do not step up to fight, speak, write, divest, protest, ignite, bite, spit and curse, throw stares and misbehave on behalf of our brother should be shown the door. Forever!

- 3. The Symbol: To my friends and family connected to street tribes: Let Mumia be your flag and symbol for a real political, social and positive movement that turns necessary attention back to Mumia's plight.
- 4. One Hour Pledge: If every justice-loving, peace-seeking, freedom-fighting, consciousness-bringing individual pledges and dedicates at least one hour every day to fight, speak, write, divest, protest, ignite, bite, spit and curse, throw stares and misbehave, we can shake up this world and shake Mumia free from those cold white walls, steel doors and shackles.
- 5. Promise to never Say "I've done enough": It's not enough that in every Ghetto Chronicles episode that I direct that I place a promo about the Mumia coalition.

It's not enough that every year I put his name on my Birthday cake because we share the same birthday.

It's not enough that after every film I place a FREE MUMIA TAG!

It's not enough that I wrote this article.

It's not enough to say I wrote, visited or listen to Mumia on Prison Radio.

Never say we've done enough or we've done all we could until our true symbol of hope, change and justice is where we want him to be. Home, with us!

Let's not forget that Mumia Abu Jamal has done more work from death row than many "inactivists", movement folk and "webolutionaries" to bringing attention and clarity to our struggle than those outside of prison. Mumia was an activist, photographer and writer dedicated to real justice before being arrested and charged with the murder of a Philadelphia policeman. Mumia Abu Jamal like so many other political prisoners deserves our commitment. If we don't take care of the best of us right here and right now it will send the wrong signal to activist all over the world. The fight for Mumia's Justice and Freedom is a fight for our very own and a Fight we must win. IF NOT NOW, WHEN?

Revolution, then peace!

On The Move!

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