

# For the People, By the People

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Ballots have been cast, votes counted, and winners declared. Regardless of the election results people across the country will either be happy, angry, sad, or ambivalent. As the saying goes, “You can please some of the people some of the time but you cannot please all the people all the time.”

Now that the election is over, and some degree of normalcy returns, those in elected offices need to understand that they represent the people and not any:

- individual
- special interest group
- political party or
- political ideology

Those already in office and the newly elected members are supposed to represent the **PEOPLE**. They all take an oath of office to uphold and defend the US Constitution. Their being elected **DOES NOT** give them the right to impose their will on the law or Americans.

The elected are **NOT** given the power to control, but rather the **RESPONSIBILITY** to do what is right for the nation and Americans.

Their responsibilities are essentially few and are outlined in our “Declaration of Independence,” the “US Constitution,” the “Bill of Rights,” and in the “10 Commandments” (the tenants of which are found in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam).

While there are offices within our government tasked with overseeing the duties and responsibilities of various areas of government, it is we, you and I, who are the overseers of those we elect to office.

It is our responsibility to make sure that whatever actions are taken by our elected representatives (note **NOT** officials) are in line with their oath of office, the law and our Constitution, and that such actions are not an overreach of government.

Your duty and responsibility as Americans is to assure that the morals, ethics, and law that our nation was founded on, are carried out in the present and henceforth into the future of our nation.

**DO NOT take your duty and responsibility lightly.**