

President is not a king, states must make sure of it

Our nation's first president, George Washington, under the newly formed Constitution in 1789, found himself in an uncomfortable position. As the nation's first Chief Executive and Commander-in-Chief he knew the delicate ground between strength and tyranny. Fearing any comparison to the monarchical government from which America had just been liberated, Washington took care to avoid any physical or symbolic references to European monarchs. When the Senate proposed that he be called by the official title "His Highness the President of the United States of America and the Protector of Their Liberties", an abashed Washington opted for the more modest address of "Mr. President".

How far we have come in America. Since Washington's modesty there has been no implication that the president of these United States has ever been handed the unilateral authority of kings, monarchs, or dictators.

How unfortunate the present Senate, and all of Congress for that matter, has refused to stop recent presidents from self-nominations to this title.

President Obama's use of executive orders, whether it be immigration or the people's right to bear arms, have been entirely un-Constitutional, which is to say lawless – and by definition, criminal. With no cognizance of Constitutional authority or the will of the people he was elected to protect, the self-nominated monarch announced on Monday his new executive actions on gun control while a newly released Gallup Poll shows that "guns/gun control" ranked 19th out of 23 top problems facing the country last year.

Even if gun control is a concern, the federal government has

no authority to speak to this issue because of the God-given right to self defense, the preservation of life, and the law of the land stating unequivocally “The right of the people to keep and bear arms SHALL NOT be infringed”.

Many kings and monarchs of antiquity suffered from the dangerous Narcissistic Personality Disorder (NPD) in which a person is excessively preoccupied with personal adequacy, power, prestige and vanity, mentally unable to see the destructive damage they are causing to themselves and others. This is not a disorder that should be left unchecked in our leaders.

Understand, elected state leaders, your duty is to interpose between your citizens and a central government bent on tyranny. Simply put, you must stake a claim. You cannot remain silent, because silence implies consent.

George Washington believed, “When People shall have become incapable of governing themselves and fit for a master, it is of little consequence from what quarter he comes.”

The Hebrew prophet Isaiah resolved, “When God’s judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.”

Democrat or Republican, state officials and citizens alike must learn and resist tyranny in all of its forms.

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