

Press Release

April 5 Statewide Protests to Defend Democracy

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Olympia, Washington – On April 5th, Evergreen Resistance, a Washington chapter of the 50501 Movement, will partner with statewide protests as part of the national "Hands Off" and "Remove, Reverse, Reclaim" actions. These demonstrations are grounded in non-violent resistance and driven by grassroots coalitions, including Indivisible chapters and women's organizations from across the state. In Washington and nationwide, people are rising up to defend democracy against illegal and unconstitutional actions that threaten the core values of our nation.

These protests call for an end to the authoritarian agenda of the Trump Administration, which continues to erode the authority of the U.S. Constitution and the rights of the people. Our actions are a clear exercise of our 1st Amendment rights and duty to protect democracy.

This wave of protests is part of a broader movement of over 1,000+ events nationwide, advocating for the removal of corrupt officials, the reversal of harmful policies, and the reclamation of our democracy.

We urge Governor Bob Ferguson, state leaders, and federal representatives to immediately address the grave injustices committed by the Trump administration. We demand that our elected officials stand for justice, human rights, and democratic values.

Protests are scheduled across Washington State – more protests and information can be found at www.evergreenresistance.org:

- **Olympia:** 2-4 PM | Washington State Capitol
- **Seattle:** Noon-3 PM | Seattle Center
- **Spokane:** 3-5 PM | BA Clark Park
- **Bellingham:** Noon | Bellingham City Hall 210 Lottie
- **Everett:** Noon-3pm | Everett Courthouse
- **Port Angeles:** Noon-2PM | Conrad Dyar Memorial Fountain
- **Port Orchard:** Noon-2PM | Intersection of Bethel and Lund
- **Yakima:** Noon-3pm | 40th and Summitview
- **Vancouver:** Noon-3 PM | Esther Short Park

What Evergreen Resistance Stands For:

- Upholding the U.S. Constitution and the rule of law.
- Ensuring checks and balances to prevent the consolidation of power in any one individual.
- Supporting local, state, and federal workers for the vital services they provide.
- Defending the inalienable rights of all people, including immigrants, LGBTQ+ individuals, and political opponents.
- Protecting the freedom of speech and the right to protest.

Evergreen Resistance Demands:

- For Governor Ferguson to immediately release a public statement committing to due process under the law for all humans in the state of Washington.
- The immediate release of Alfredo “Lelo” Juarez, a Washington activist, and the release political prisoners nationwide, including Mahmoud Khalil, Leqaa Kordia, and Rumeysa Ozturk, who are imprisoned for exercising their 1st Amendment right to freedom of speech.
- The return to the U.S. of the people detained in El Salvador so their guilt or innocence may be determined by due process under the law.
- The removal of unconfirmed and unelected Elon Musk from his position in the Executive Branch, for Musk to be held accountable for his illegal actions, and for the reversal of illegal and harmful DOGE policies.
- Structural reforms to our political system to reclaim democracy for the American people.



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