

# NONE OF THE ABOVE

Let's start this document with a discussion of the percentage of eligible voters in the United States who statistically actually avail themselves of their right to vote. The statistics I have found in my online research indicate that a forty percent turnout is extraordinarily high and usually the turnout falls well under that figure.

WOW, that is a nearly two-thirds non-participation rate!! Ouch – so much for that portion of the eligible voting population who clearly feels their right to vote is a waste of their time for whatever reason. Call them the actual “Silent Majority” without much argument!!?

So exactly what would prompt an eligible voter in the United States to forego that vaulted right to vote? The right to vote is one of those “inalienable rights” and must be given away – so why would anyone actually act in a manner that inherently gives away that protected right?

As one of those eligible voters who has decided not to engage in that national frenzy, I am willing to present the reasons why I cannot indulge the fantasy that my vote actually counts.

Top of my list is the farce that was the Bush-Gore voting bullshit down in Florida where Brother Bush was the governor and the Supreme Court of the United States. The Supreme Court decision disenfranchised EVERY SINGLE VOTER IN THE UNITED STATES!!!! It was those Supreme Court justices that were appointed by Bush Senior who voted to allow Bush Junior to win the election that Gore had won with the popular vote and the electoral vote if Florida had been allowed to vote as per its popular vote.

BULLSHIT OF THE HIGHEST DEGREE POSSIBLE!!!!!! Conflicting agendas and personal preferences were the rule of the day and Equal Protection and Due Process were shown how truly disrespected those rights are in the eyes of the very same government branch whose sole purpose is to protect those rights, among many others.

AND. Nearly two thirds of the voting population – by NOT casting a vote – voted for neither Bush nor Gore!! That IS the “Silent Majority”!! And that is exactly what “None of the Above” is attempting to remedy. Allowing those voters who refuse to cast their votes for the lesser of two evils to cast a vote for none of the available candidates. It is essentially a write-in vote for I dislike them all.

When the majority of the voters cast their votes for “None of the Above “ (NOTA for short) then the election will need to be run again with a new cast of candidates. The election will need to be repeated until a majority of the voters actually cast their votes for something other than NOTA!!

There is another aspect of the voting farce that gripes my ass!!

In ANY legislature forum, before any official actions can be taken, a quorum (a certain minimum percentage over half of the total are in attendance) is necessary. When between one half and two thirds of the voting population actually refuse to cast a vote, that quorum is actually NOT IN ATTENDANCE!!! Which should invalidate any election exactly like that ratio invalidates any possible legislative process??

Because the election process as it is currently implemented is pretending to be something that it is not on many different levels, I call the election process a farce of gigantic proportions.

The most recent Presidential election in the United States is the greatest example of that farcical nature. It was definitely a race between the lesser of two evils – The Donald and The Hillary. Neither of whom is quality anything, much less leadership quality.

But The Donald clearly knew that the voters hated The Hillary more than they hated The Donald and the voters would not allow The Hillary to become the first woman President of the United States. The problem was not that Hillary was a woman, the problem is that Hillary is Hillary – the Queen Bitch of all Queen Bitches and the Epitome of Elitism and Self-Entitlements.

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But now The Donald is showing how much the voters who refused to vote for either of those fools were the only ones who actually had the foresight to recognize the disaster that would accompany either of those fools living in the White House.

Essential human rights that took decades to implement properly have been ignored. Those individual human rights do still exist, it is just the enforcement of the protection for those rights no longer exists. Which results in those rights being "abridged" without actually being in violation of any termination of those same rights.

Pretty damn clever way to accomplish the objective of removing those rights from the equation of daily interactions without having to terminate those rights and face the public outcry and possible popular revolt such termination of essential rights would trigger.

But because those essential rights do still exist, and it is only the enforcement of the protection of those essential rights has been terminated, it is still possible to force the government to either protect those rights or admit those rights have effectively been terminated. The middle ground of doing one while not doing the other needs to be resolved in one direction or the other.

The third alternative of "None of the Above" and the consequences of a majority vote for NOTA would eliminate any repeat of the lesser of two evils being the theme for any further elections at any level. If the candidates up for election lack the qualities necessary to be trusted with leadership responsibilities, then the voter's lack of confidence vote would remove the possibility that those candidates without the necessary leadership qualities would ever be in the position to terminate the enforcement of protection of civil rights much less act to cause the civil rights themselves being terminated. The protection itself is the most important element and when it has been terminated the rights themselves are not far behind.