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Hey, this Cato Institute is *doing* something!

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Are you as frustrated as I am about the constant deluge of bad news, revelations of corruption and negligence and overreaching in government, the growing impression that we're on an out-of-control course, like Ozzy Osbourne's "Crazy Train"?

Are you deeply concerned that an ultra-liberal, even leftist or socialist cabal in and around the White House is binding America with unpayable debt, unreasonable entitlements and unacceptable alterations in everything from <u>education</u> to <u>health care</u> to defense to energy supply? That the sacred Constitution is being shoved aside and misinterpreted by activist judges, from the bottom of the judicial system all the way up to the Supreme Court?

With the presidency and both houses of Congress under the thrall of people who proudly want to "fundamentally transform the <u>United States of America</u>," isn't it increasingly bothersome to you that you seem to have precious little to say about all this?

When up to 80 percent of polled <u>Americans</u> say they want to keep health care the way it has been – and our elected representatives, our "public servants," conspire openly to cram the unwanted policy into law and down our throats – doesn't that leave you wondering, as I have been, whatever happened to "We The People"?

Aside from the valiant media soldiers at Fox News, some talk-radio broadcasters and informative websites like this one, is there *anybody* doing *anything* to sound the alarms and apply the brakes on this runaway train?

Yes! Yes, there are some bodies, organizations, fellowships and activist think tanks confronting the engineer of this out-of-control administration train and alerting the passengers to get up and reassert control. This train called America is *our* train, *we* own and run it, and the engineer is our *employee* – it's not the other way around!

The ultimate expose on the radical nature of our 44th president: "The Manchurian President: Barack Obama's Tigs to Communists Socialists and other Anti American Extremists"

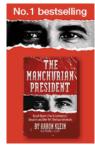
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If we're going to change this destructive, ominous direction, we must be an aroused, informed, determined, organized ... and even a sacrificing citizenry. Just being upset, and grousing and complaining, won't change anything.

In the late 1700s, aroused and persuasive patriots like Thomas Paine called effectively to our forefathers, spurring them to heroic action, which resulted in the formation of our republic. Samuel Adams led like-minded men to oppose oppression and even revolt against the armed oppressors, at great cost but greater victory. And you know, hopefully, about George Washington, Ben Franklin, John Adams and James Monroe.

After the dust settled and a new and vibrant nation was born, Thomas Jefferson warned, "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

I want to shine a spotlight on one of the several patriotic groups that are performing today like these forefathers of ours did – <u>the Cato Institute</u>.

George Will said of the <u>organization</u>, "The Cato Institute is the foremost upholder of the idea of liberty in the nation."

Thankfully, there are other think tanks that might lay claim to that accolade, but Cato is at or near the top of the list. The <u>University</u> of Pennsylvania's index of "Global Go-To Think Tanks" ranks Cato fifth in the world. And a 2009 survey commissioned by Foreign Policy magazine of nearly 1,800 think tanks in America listed Cato among the top 10 overall and *No. 1* in the category for "Top Think Tanks for Innovative Ideas."

Cato is a public-policy research organization, guided by the principles that animated the founders of this great nation. The distinguished University of Pennsylvania historian, Alan Kors, sees think tanks as a "market response to the intellectual conformity and stagnation in most American universities." In too, too many cases, our colleges are turning out mental robots, not truly educated, openminded and enquiring learners. But when confronted with incontrovertible facts and logical thought – many of these intelligent and potentially influential men and women can see the light.

The light of truth.

An alarm went off, loud and clear, when Barack Obama's chief of staff let slip the strategy behind the health-care power grab when he declared you should "never let a serious crisis go to waste. *It's an opportunity to do things that you think you could not do before*." Since then, in a shocking display of arrogance and cunning, this administration has created an unfathomable level of "crisis"-related spending that will create at least \$1 trillion of deficits per year, for the next decade.

As Cato has revealed, "The total potential federal government support could reach up to \$23.7 trillion," according to Neil Barofsky the special inspector general for the TARP program. Do you think the liberal media are going to report this to us? How can a citizenry protect itself when it doesn't have the real facts?

Bloomberg News, an objective media source, stated last December, "The few remaining limitedgovernment types are hunkered down at Washington's Cato Institute."

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And it's true: the Cato Institute is leading the fight against the explosion of government growth. Further, its president, Edward Crane, says "we're hardly 'hunkered down' – or alone. In fact, I have never seen our side more energized and clear-eyed in its commitment to reclaim our liberties and our government from the statists and redistributionists who infest our nation's capital."

"Our side" refers to the still-large majority of Americans who revere the Constitution and abhor big, intrusive an oppressive government. Cato literally exists to further the kind of awakening exemplified in the tea-party rallies and marches – and in raucous town-hall meetings politicians increasingly fear to



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hold. Our citizens by the millions are demonstrating a growing grass-roots resistance to regimentation and governance by coercion and connivance, and this is terribly upsetting to Rahm Emanuel. Hallelujah!

Cato's scholars, researchers, thinkers and planners are furnishing the <u>ammunition</u> for our more responsible elected leaders to fire at the marauders who are determined to subvert our republic and "transform" it into a European socialist distortion of the free, independent and self-sufficient country we were.

As in any conflict, those on the front lines must depend on support from the rear, the heartland. That's you and me, fellow American. That's we, the people.

Please go to <u>www.cato.org</u>, the impressive website that's attracting *50,000 individual visits* each <u>business</u> day, and find out yourself who and what Cato is, will you? They need and have earned our help; somebody is actually doing something about this tailspin we're in – and we owe it to them and ourselves to pitch in.

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