

## Editorial

# *The Battle for Independence, 2009*

As we enter the month of July, 233 years after our republic's Declaration of Independence, there is an argument to be made that we are in more peril, as a people, today, than we were then.

The odds appeared to be solidly arrayed against us, back in July 1776. While the Continental Army under George Washington had succeeded in driving the British out of Boston, the condition of that fledgling body was alarming in the extreme. Volunteers came in and out of the Army, almost at will, and supplies were woefully inadequate. There was no central government with the power and resources to provide for the troops, and the British Crown had an intimidating Army and Navy, not to mention the ability to woo our fellow-citizens with the monies and goods at the the Crown's disposal.

We had, however, what was required to make a winning Revolution: both the inspirational ideas of a republic, and the leadership committed to mobilizing people to fight to implement those ideas, in the first true republic on Earth. Crafted under the tutelage of our nation's true founder, Benjamin Franklin, those ideas still ring today:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That, to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. . . ."

It took 13 long years, and much blood and sacrifice, for us to form the government based on those Leibnizian principles. But we succeeded, for the lasting benefit of not only our people, but humankind as a whole.

But today, Independence Day 2009, finds the American Republic in extraordinary jeopardy. We have not been defeated in battle, but the same Im-

perial enemy which we bested in 1776-1783 has not only not been destroyed; it has gained a deep hold over our minds, including that of our leading political class. Just as George Washington and Abraham Lincoln had warned, we are mortally threatened not by force of arms, but by corruption from within.

The issue of the Obama Administration's health-care "reform" provides the best example. The content of this health program, which is being pushed aggressively by leading British imperial institutions (like the London *Economist* and the *Financial Times*), is, literally, in violation of our Constitutional principles. It rests upon the oligarchical idea that all people are *not* created equal, with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; rather, the oligarchy which controls our financial system (and has demanded trillions of dollars to keep itself afloat), has determined that there are some people with lives "not worthy to be lived." Under the Obama plan, they are to be left to die.

This is an evil, Nazi plan. Yet, how many of our fellow citizens have adapted to its utilitarian argument? Who among them would agree with Prince Philip that the old and chronically ill should get out of the way, and die?

If we, as Americans, permit this plan to be implemented, we face the extinction of the very idea upon which we were founded. Physical extinction will follow soon after.

So, this July 2009, we must renew our Battle for Independence, with the maximum intensity we can muster. We must defeat the British oligarchical enemy in the arena of its Nazi health-care plan, and beyond. We must live up to the ideals of our Founding Fathers, because the future of all humanity depends upon it—just as it did in 1776.