



# Declaration of Formation

“For God and for Texas”

On this day of 4 July A.D. 2012 the anniversary of the 236<sup>th</sup> year of our Independence I hereby declare that in order to further safeguard those inalienable rights that come from our Creator and that the institutions created for such protections first in the Bible then reflected in the laws of the land, even centuries before our Independence, have fallen into a nonfunctioning state and even into disrepute and therefore such institutions required by law for the safeguards of the Texas people need be returned to their required functional state and place of high status in the society.

The grace given by God to those in Texas to choose their own government brings with it the weight of responsibility to ensure that a government of laws and not of men is created in order that the safeguards for life, liberty and property of the people in Texas might be most effectively and justly implemented.

When those entrusted with the operation of the governments of Texas abandon the most basic principles of government that in exchange for the peoples loyalty and support government is to protect the life, liberty and property of the people thus governed, according to time honored traditions, government has thus broken this most fundamental of covenants with its creators thereby freeing the people from any allegiance and responsibility to the existing governments and simultaneously requiring the people to provide for themselves new governments for their future security and prosperity.

In the time honored traditions and laws of centuries and even millennia all able bodied males of suitable age are thereby required to keep and bear arms and train in the military skills suitable for their position. That there are many within Texas who abandoned their civic responsibilities as freemen in regards to militia duty does not alter the relevant laws nor cause them to become void or null. That the current governments in Texas have abandoned their responsibilities to the people and the Constitution of 1791 in regards to the militia does not diminish or cancel their duties to the people nor does such abandonment diminish or eliminate the people's inalienable rights.

It is therefore with great hope that our Creator will in His divine justice grant all those desirous of returning to the rule of law in Texas the means, opportunity and provision to assemble together in arms, to obtain the goal of nothing less than the rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of property such as is befitting freemen, and hereby unite to form the Texas Constitutional militia known as the Texas Defense Force to that end.

By my hand,

Stephen Charles Tassio Texas Defense Force Commanding