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“ELECTORATE LEGISLATIVE” GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT IS LAUNCHED

Trans-American Alliance for a National Consensus (TANC)

College Students, Scholars and Universities Called to Serve as Catalysts of Non-Partisan Consortium Inclusive of Key Segments of American Society

LOS ANGELES, CA (March 06, 2008) — In a grassroots effort to erase the political partisanship and divisive influences of lobbyists and special-interest groups focused on Washington, D.C., ***Trans-American Alliance for a National Consensus (TANC)*** is launching a proposed college-based “*Electorate Legislative Branch*.”

Michael A. Freeman, Executive Director and Co-Founder, announced today that ***The Alliance***, as it is also known, is looking to enlist college students as “Delegates” and scholars as “Counsels” to serve as the full-time assembly members of **TANC**, which is dedicated to bringing together all key segments of society to create, author and enact “*consensus reform legislation*.”

TANC’s mission is to act as a complementary, binding “fourth branch” arbiter between the established Legislative, Executive and Judicial branches of the U.S. government — to essentially serve as checks-and-balances, electorate-backed “*Ethical Conscience of Democracy*.”

To convene on a local, regional and national basis through a representational number of universities and colleges in the United States (and outlying territories), **TANC** is empowered to bring badly-needed consistency, accountability and transparency to policy- and law-making from the federal government. Specifically, the overarching goal is to establish ***The Alliance*** as a nonpartisan “ethical conscience of democracy,” effectively seeking to contradict and uproot the stranglehold well-funded lobbyists, special interest groups and political action committees hold on politicians throughout the corridors of power in Washington, D.C.

“Given the sheer scope and severity of the domestic socio-economic problems holding the national electorate captive this election season, the time has come to make our democracy more responsive to the long unaddressed needs of Americans from around all parts of this country,” said Mr. Freeman.

“It is going to take more than both of our major political parties [Democrats and Republicans], the President and a small circle of cabinet aides to address the litany of growing national crises,” Mr.

Freeman added. “After hearing one of our Presidential candidates speaking of how our nation needs to ‘rise to a higher calling’ and getting our nation’s youth to ‘volunteer’ in local civic programs, a greater notion came to mind: ‘Why not take it to the next level by energizing our world-leading university/college system to serve as the ultimate extension of a decentralized ‘electorate legislative democracy?’” Perhaps, more than ever in our nation’s history, we need hope – and our nation’s college students and scholars represent that hope.”

Much in the same way, our military forces look to our nation’s youth to serve our country, **TANC** is similarly looking to create life-altering opportunities for our college students and scholars to take direct, leading roles in legislative services to America.

“This is a way to truly harness the brain power of America’s world-leading university/college system as central catalysts for a largely self-sufficient, self-renewing legislative body designed to complement, not replace, our two houses of Congress and the Executive branch,” emphasized Mr. Freeman. “Imagine the positive ripple effects of students and scholars achieving ‘real-world’ socio-economic political reforms — in addition to the immensely positive halo-effect this will have on enhancing America’s workforce and our measure of ‘competitiveness’ among other industrial powers of the world. Now is the time for re-investing in America’s human capital and our nation’s infrastructure and private/public institutions.”

Initially, **TANC** is proposing that 3 to 5 percent of America’s 4,200-plus accredited universities and colleges could serve as the localized membership hubs for **The Alliance**. With the prospect of enlisting 120 to 240-plus universities throughout the 50 states (and outlying U.S. territories), **TANC** will regularly hold local/regional committee hearings and town hall-like meetings to solicit expert counsel and testimony from key public/private leaders and activists — all working together to author proposed “reform” legislative bills and enact them into federal law (followed by subsequent votes of passage by Congress and the President).

If either of the houses of Congress vote down a **TANC**-authored bill, or the President vetoes it outright, **The Alliance** will then have the option to call a “*National Electorate Referendum*” vote, which can attach the bill to regularly scheduled primary and general election calendars around the country. A majority of 51 percent or more of the popular U.S. vote in the affirmative would mean that the “consensus” **TANC** bill would automatically be enacted as federal legislation — where the federal government ultimately “accedes to the will of the people.”

To accomplish this, **TANC** will shortly begin drafting and proposing the “*National Alliance Reform Act*” (**NARA**), which **The Alliance** would present to the Congress and the President of the United States to expeditiously enact as part of a new 28th Amendment attached to the U.S. Constitution.

For more detailed information, including a downloadable proposal and slide-deck presentation, you are invited to visit www.transamericanalliance.org on how to start a grassroots movement in your area.

“In order to give **NARA** critical mass and importance in front of Washington’s law-makers, it is going to take non-partisan support from citizens and influential ‘thought-leaders’ of our society to ignite a groundswell of mainstream support for the ‘reform’ of the *our* American democracy,” Mr. Freeman said. “What we are hoping to do is to energize students, scholars, university and college deans in volunteering to become rotating members of **TANC** and lobbying their elected representatives for its establishment.” (*The NARA proposal will be released under separate cover.*)

TANC: Trans-American Alliance for a National Consensus

TANC is beginning the process of approaching philanthropic organizations and leading public/private donors, but also requests contributions from American citizens. If a citizen can contribute as little as \$10 initially, **TANC** would have enough funding to mount a state-by-state university sign-up drive and formative legislative efforts working towards authorship and potential Congressional/Presidential enactment of *NARA* for the establishment of **TANC** as permanent “fourth branch” of the U.S. government.

If you are interested in making a charitable contribution, additional information is available at <http://www.transamericanalliance.org/5.html> with a downloadable link for an easy-to-submit donation form, which can mailed to **TANC**, 2110 Artesia Blvd., #818, Redondo Beach, CA 90278 or emailed to SupportTANC@transamericanalliance.org. Donations made to **TANC**, as a non-profit, “mutual-benefit” social welfare organization under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, are not tax deductible.

Due to the pending nature of soliciting universities and colleges as participating members of **The Alliance**, we have not yet set the criteria to be established for selecting student “Delegates” and scholar “Counsels.” However, if you are interested in contributing as a **TANC** volunteer, please email us at TANCvolunteers@transamericanalliance.org.

Please check **TANC’s** Web site, www.transamericanalliance.org, and press releases for updates. If you have any inquiries, suggestions or thoughts, please share them with us at ThinkTANC@transamericanalliance.org.

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About ***Trans-American Alliance for a National Consensus (TANC)***:

Trans-American Alliance for a National Consensus (TANC), a Redondo Beach, California-based nonprofit organization, is dedicated to establishing a national “Electorate Legislative Branch” as part of a nonpartisan, college-backed consortium bringing together all key segments of society to author and enact “consensus” federal legislation. The primary mission of **TANC** — supported full-time by college students and scholars — is to act as a complementary, binding “fourth branch” arbiter between the established Legislative, Executive and Judicial branches of the U.S. government. To convene on a local, regional and national basis through a representational number of universities and colleges in the United States, **TANC** is empowered to bring badly-needed consistency, accountability and transparency to policy- and law-making from the federal government. Also referred to as **The Alliance**, the overriding goal is to establish **TANC** as a nonpartisan “ethical conscience of democracy,” effectively seeking to contradict and uproot the stranglehold well-funded lobbyists, special interest groups and political action committees hold on politicians throughout the corridors of power in Washington, D.C. For more information, please visit us at www.transamericanalliance.org.
