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IT'S NOT WHO YOU'RE AGAINST. IT'S WHAT YOU'RE FOR!

The Socialist Workers Party candidates present a working-class alternative to the Democrats, Republicans, and other capitalist parties.

Workers face an unrelenting offensive by the employers, who—driven by the need to reverse the decline in their profit rates—are intensifying speedup, lengthening work hours, eroding job safety, cutting pensions and health-care, and seeking to undermine Social Security and break down class solidarity. The imperialist wars abroad by Washington and its allies, from Iraq and Afghanistan to others they are preparing, including threats against Iran and north Korea, are an extension of the war on workers and farmers at home.

The resistance today by working people to these assaults points the road forward: to rely on our collective power and solidarity and organize independently of the capitalists and their parties to advance the common interests of workers and farmers worldwide. We need to build a revolutionary movement that will lead a fight of working people and their allies to take power out of the hands of the ruling billionaire class, establish a workers and farmers government, and join the worldwide struggle for socialism.

What the SWP Stands for and fights for:

- Support workers' struggles to organize trade unions; to use and extend union power to defend themselves and other working people from the bosses' assaults. Defend the labor movement from the continuing offensive by the employers and their twin parties of capitalism—the Democrats and Republicans. Build a labor party, based on the unions, that fights in the interests of working people.
- Support the efforts of semicolonial countries to acquire and develop the energy sources necessary to expand electrification—a prerequisite for economic and social advances. Expose the drive by Washington and its allies to prevent the nations oppressed by imperialism from developing nuclear power and other sources of energy needed to bring much of humanity out of darkness.
- For the immediate, unconditional withdrawal of U.S., UN, and other imperialist armed forces from Iraq, Afghanistan, Yugoslavia, Korea, Haiti, Colombia, and Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.
- For a massive federally funded public works program to put millions to work at union scale.
- No cuts in present or future Social Security benefits, Medicaid programs, or workers compensation. Extend Social Security to cover universal, government guaranteed, lifetime health care for all.
- Fight cop brutality. Abolish the death penalty.
- Defend and extend affirmative action in employment, education, and housing.
- No national ID card. End all federal and state regulations aimed at turning a driver's license into one.
- Repeal federal and state laws mandating immigration-document checks by employers.
- Defend a woman's right to choose! Oppose restrictions on access to abortion.
- End Washington's economic war against Cuba! U.S. hands off Venezuela!
- Defend the constitutional right of GIs as citizen-soldiers to engage in political discussion, debate, and activity.
- Stop farm foreclosures! Government-funded cheap credit for working farmers and price supports to cover production costs.