

**Freedom of Speech:**

I fully support freedom of speech, and oppose all government censorship, regulation, or control of communications. This is fully protected by the highest law of the land, the constitution, and must be defended. Even speech we don't like, even so-called hate speech, which is best countered with better speech rather than censorship. Note that any direct calls for violence are already illegal, but we must have free speech & open public debate to have free thought and progress.

In the words of Benjamin Franklin, "Whoever would overthrow the liberty of a nation must begin by subduing the freeness of speech."

