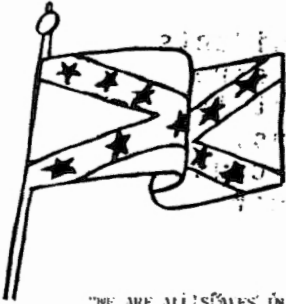


The Young Patriots is an Uptown area youth group involved in organizing the working class in their area. They are allied with the Black Panthers and Young Lords.

# YOUNG PATRIOTS

## 11 POINT PROGRAM OF THE YOUNG PATRIOTS ORGANIZATION



"WE ARE ALL SLAVES IN THE EYES OF THE MAN"

### 1. CLASS

We see that the key to truly understanding and improving our situation is to truly understand the nature of class society. We see that in America and in the world, that those who have money control those who do not. **WEALTH-POWER!** We feel that the wealth of the world should be shared equally among all people. The workers who are the masses of people produce the wealth and they should control it. We see that our allies are those who have nothing and our enemies are those who have too much.

### 2. WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE

We believe that all people are entitled to adequate food, clothing, shelter and medical care. We believe that businessmen should not make a profit on the things that we need to survive. We demand decent and adequate housing at a low cost for poor people. We demand safe, clean day care centers for mothers who work. We demand that mothers who want to raise their children in their own home be paid for this vital work.

### 3. PIGS AND PIG POWER STRUCTURE

We demand the end to pigs murdering and brutalizing our people. The pigs are the tool of the rich man. The pigs are in our community to protect the property of the robber-baron landlords and avaricious businessmen and not the lives or the interests of the people who live in the community. We call the police pigs because they oppress the people. The world belongs to the people not the pigs. Oppressed people in all communities must have absolute and final control of the police. All police must come from the community in which they serve.

### 4. SCHOOLS-EDUCATION

We understand that the main purpose of the educational system as it now stands is to make people fit smoothly into the capitalistic class society. We understand that the children of poor people are trained to be poor people - the children of factory workers are trained to work in factories - the children of rich people are trained to take their parents places. The schools are run like prisons because this society is a prison. We demand that all people know their true history. We demand that all people have the opportunity to develop their abilities.

### 5. DRAFT

We oppose the draft because it means poor and working class men fight rich mens wars. We oppose imperialistic wars of aggression such as the war in Viet Nam. We believe that all patriotic men and women should serve only in the army of liberation. Rich people can buy their way out of the draft, but poor and working class people have no choice. We demand that the old rich men who create the wars should fight them and that the young men should stay home and construct a new society.

### 6. UNIONS

The idea of unions was a good thing. But we still know that the majority of Americans work long hours under bad conditions for poor wages and never have nothing to show for it. We demand an end to discrimination on the job and in the union. Men and women of all races should get equal wages and better working conditions. Unions claim to represent their members, but actually they represent the union officials and sell their members down the river. Sell-out unions must be destroyed, therefore we support the right of workers to organize outside the union. We realize that the real change in this country will not happen until the people control their factories. When the workers control their factories they have no need for union representatives to bargain with the company.

### 7. EXPLOITATION OF THE COMMUNITY

We understand that the businessmen in the community make their living off of us. We understand that we make the products that they sell back to us. We demand that if businessmen intend to stay in the community, those profits be invested in the community in the form of goods and services.

### 8. RACISM

Racism is a tool of capitalism to make people fight among themselves, instead of fighting together for their freedom. Divisions of race and sex serve the interests of the rich, ruling class and not of the people.

### 9. RELEASE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS

We demand the release of all political prisoners. We understand that the majority of so-called "criminals" in our concentration-camp prisons are victims of our class society. Justice is a luxury that only rich men can afford. These people should be released to build a new society rather than hidden away for society's mistakes.

### 10. CULTURAL NATIONALISM

We believe that to fight only for the interests of your close cultural brothers & sisters is not in the interest of all the people, and in fact perpetuates racism. We understand that our struggle is a class struggle. All power to the poor and working people! Cultural nationalism does not solve the political problems of the oppressed peoples, but only perpetuates exploitations. Capitalism makes millions on love-beads, afro-shirts and cowboy hats. Cultural nationalism is a tool of capitalist exploitation.

### 11. REVOLUTIONARY SOLIDARITY

Revolutionary solidarity with all oppressed peoples of this and all other countries and races defeats the divisions created by the narrow interests of cultural nationalism. We support all wars of national liberation and demand an immediate end to the war in Viet Nam. Monopoly capitalism and corrupt Russian socialism are enemies of the interests of the oppressed peoples throughout the world.



**ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE**

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