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**INTERNATIONAL DAY IN SOLIDARITY
NW REGIONAL MARCH AND RALLY FOR
CLEMENCY FOR LEONARD PELTIER
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY, 4, 2012, TACOMA, WA.**

12:00 NOON: MARCH FOR JUSTICE Portland Ave. Park (on Portland Ave. between E. 35th & E. Fairbanks. Take Portland Ave. exit off I-5 and head east)

1:00 PM: RALLY FOR JUSTICE U.S. Federal Court House, 1717-Pacific Ave.

"I have no doubt whatsoever that the real motivation behind both Wounded Knee II and the Oglala firefright, and much of the turmoil throughout Indian Country since the early 1970s, was—and is—the mining companies' desire to muffle AIM and all traditional Indian people, who sought—and still seek—to protect the land, water, and air from their thefts and depredations. In this sad and tragic age we live in, to come to the defense of Mother Earth is to be branded a criminal." --Leonard Peltier, Prison Writings –



Leonard Peltier (of the Anishinabe, Dakota, and Lakota Nations), long time Native Activist and member of the American Indian Movement. Leonard Peltier, an innocent man who was convicted for the 1975 shooting deaths of two agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. U.S. prosecutors have repeatedly admitted that they did not and cannot prove Peltier's guilt, and the appellate courts have cited numerous instances of investigative and prosecutorial misconduct in this case. As late as November 2003, the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals acknowledged that "...Much of the government's behavior at the Pine Ridge Reservation and its prosecution of Mr. Peltier is to be condemned. The government withheld evidence. It intimidated witnesses. These facts are not disputed." The trial of the first two AIM members in this case were found not guilty for reason of self-defense.

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This march is answering the call by LPDOC for marches and rallies on Feb. 4, 2012 Internationally in support of clemency for Leonard Peltier. Of all the regional marches in Tacoma, 16 since 1992, this is the most important one yet. The New Leonard Peltier Clemency Campaign is building and we need to show public support. If you are a regular supporter, please join us again. If you are a new supporter, who has thought about supporting Leonard, now is the time to do it. We need all of you.

SPEAKERS:

Co-MCs

Matilaja: Yu'Pik Eskimo from Mountain Village Alaska. Member of N.W. AIM since 1973, Friend of Leonard Peltier for 38 odd years and member of Tacoma Chapter LPDOC

Steve Hapy: Long time Leonard Peltier and Native struggles activist, Tacoma Chapter LPDOC

Drum:

Albert Combs and Coastal Hand Drum Singers

Welcoming:

Deeahop Conway, Puyallup Tribal member, Tacoma Chapter LPDOC

Leonard's case and up-date;

Arthur J. Miller: Northwest Regional Organizer LPDOC, Tacoma Chapter LPDOC, long time union member and human rights activist

Keynote Speaker:

Ramona Bennett: Puyallup Tribal Elder, Life long friend of Leonard Peltier, Grand Mother, Great Grand Mother

Chester Earl: Puyallup Tribal member

Zoltan Grossman: Evergreen State College faculty in Geography and Native Studies, in Olympia. former board member of Midwest Treaty Network in Wisconsin.

Closing words:

David Duenas: Puyallup Tribal Member

_ CAR POOLS: OLYMPIA: There will be a carpool leaving from the parking lot at Harrison and Division at 10:15 am. PORTLAND, meet up outside of KBOO Radio Station (20 SE 8th, Portland, OR 97124) before embarking to Tacoma between 9:00-9:30am. SEATTLE CAR POOL: Meet at the Red Apple parking lot at 23rd and Jackson by the bus stop. Will be leaving at 10:30 am

We need new banners and signs. We need video of this event to use for support work. We need supporters to copy and share this flier to get out to as many people possible. We need people to forward our e-mail statements. We need people to share on facebook information on the march. Our marches are not about one group but rather they are the work of all Peltier supporters in our region.

RESOLUTIONS FOR CLEMENCY: Leonard needs resolutions for clemency from Tribes, Unions, Human Rights Organizations and others. See a sample resolution at:

<http://www.whoisleonardpeltier.info/resolution.htm>

For donations: Please make checks payable to the Leonard Peltier Defense/Offense Committee (mark them for NW March) and send them to: Tacoma Chapter LPODC, P.O. Box 5464, Tacoma, WA 98415.

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