

From day one of this campaign I've heard the concerns of the People. They are the same one's I have. There is one question I received on Friday June 12, 2009 while speaking with the people at the 9/12 Project that keeps resonating.

**Question: "The only time candidates or politicians have anything to do with us is when they want our vote. After that we never hear or see them again."**

**Answer:** At that point in time I didn't have a complete answer to his question. I thought I did. The full answer didn't come until Saturday June 20, 2009 during a question and answer session. I gave an answer to a question using a phrase from the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the President of the organization replied with "the legislators hold the keys" to the People's use of that article. For someone to think, let alone say the power over our Rights (Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts) is in the hands of the government, is especially disturbing. The Constitution is our Right to be in charge over the government and to limit the governments power over the People.

**A frequent recurrence to the fundamental principles of the constitution, and a constant adherence to those of piety (*loyalty and devotion*), justice, moderation, temperance, industry, and frugality, are absolutely necessary to preserve the advantages of liberty, and to maintain a free government. The people ought, consequently, to have a particular attention to all those principles, in the choice of their officers and representatives: and they have a right to require of their lawgivers and magistrates, an exact and constant observance of them, in the formation and execution of the laws necessary for the good administration of the commonwealth. *Article XVIII. of the Massachusetts Constitution.***

In order for any governmental reform to take place it must include an open dialogue between the People and governor. I believe the only way to accomplish this is to have frequent listening and education tours. As governor I would hold several town hall meetings throughout the state where I would listen to the unease of the People and become educated on the worries of the People. It will also inform me if the house and the senate are listening to and accomplishing the will of the People. I believe this is the only way to keep in touch with the People.

**In the government of this commonwealth, the legislative department shall never exercise the executive and judicial powers, or either of them: the executive shall never exercise the legislative and judicial powers, or either of them: the judicial shall never exercise the legislative and executive powers, or either of them: to the end it may be a government of laws and not of men. *Article XXX. of the Massachusetts Constitution.***

Suffolk University Channel 7 News released a poll Wednesday March 25, 2009 of 400 registered voters. *Poll Reflects Voter Frustration, Peril For Incumbents Thursday, March 26, 2009 State House News Service*

**The poll revealed "Seventy-two percent of the people favored adding a recall vote for removing elected officials perceived to be underperforming." *Poll Reflects Voter Frustration, Peril For Incumbents Thursday, March 26, 2009 State House News Service***

As your governor I will support a bill that will make this a reality. It will be implemented with my administration. If your government is not doing the will of the people then those individuals should take their special interests somewhere else. I believe a recall vote for removing elected officials

would be a wakeup call that should ring loudly throughout the executive, legislative and judiciary branches of government.

The people in government have become sullied and have forgotten how to:

- Respect people and use things... Not love things and use people.
- They "hope" to make change versus "knowing" how to make change happen
- They say "together we can" verses "together we will" and this is how to make it happen
- They have forgotten what prospers you will prosper them
- What prospers your family will prosper their family
- What prospers your business will prosper their business

**When *the people were* asked whether they believe Massachusetts will again become "Taxachusetts," 71 percent said yes. *Poll Reflects Voter Frustration, Peril For Incumbents***

*Thursday, March 26, 2009 State House News Service*

- At 11:01 p.m. Monday, April 27, the Massachusetts House approved a 25 percent hike in the state's sales tax on a veto-proof roll call vote of 108-51. *Increasing the current 5 percent sales tax to 6.25 percent. House approves 25 percent increase in state sales tax, Ehrlich votes with majority Bob Katzen Beacon Hill Roll Call April 28, 2009 The House Minority Leader Daily Press Clips*
- May 19<sup>th</sup> senate approves sales tax increase, approved by a veto-proof 29-to-10. They passed the measure by a veto-proof majority, with only five Democrats breaking ranks. *Senate OKs 25% sales tax increase Hillary Chabot Boston Herald May 20, 2009 Senate Approves Sales Tax Hike WCVB-TV May 20, 2009*
- Out of the expected \$633 million in additional sales tax collections \$275 million will be dedicated to transportation None of the money will be targeted to boost local aid. *Senate OKs 25% sales tax increase Hillary Chabot Boston Herald May 20, 2009*
- House and Senate Agreement Thursday JUNE 18, 2009 \$27.41 billion fiscal 2010 budget that raises sales, meals, hotel and alcohol taxes, combined with cuts to municipal assistance and human services. *Tax Hikes, Spending Cuts Mark Budget Accord Thursday, June 18, 2009 10:40 PM State House News Service*
- Cuts ranging from mental health services to veterans' homes to furloughs for state workers. *Tax Hikes, Spending Cuts Mark Budget Accord Thursday, June 18, 2009 10:40 PM State House News Service*
- The state would raise its sales tax by 25 percent, to 6.25 cents per dollar, with \$275 million of that guaranteed for transportation spending. The statewide meals tax would rise from 5 percent to 6.25 percent, with authorization for municipalities to impose their own 0.75 percent hike. *Tax Hikes, Spending Cuts Mark Budget Accord Thursday, June 18, 2009 10:40 PM State House News Service*
- Sales tax boost would result in \$759 million in new revenues strip property tax exemptions on telecommunications poles and wires, pegged for \$26 million more for cities and towns. *Tax Hikes, Spending Cuts Mark Budget Accord Thursday, June 18, 2009 10:40 PM State House News Service*

- House budget chair Charley Murphy said the cuts would result in “a decrease of state services across the board,” including an estimated 12 Registry of Motor Vehicle branch closings. *Tax Hikes, Spending Cuts Mark Budget Accord Thursday, June 18, 2009 10:40 PM State House News Service*
- House budget chair Charley Murphy said “There’s going to be a lot of pain, there’s going to be a lot of people who aren’t terribly happy with the result but, again, that’s what we’re up against.” *Tax Hikes, Spending Cuts Mark Budget Accord Thursday, June 18, 2009 10:40 PM State House News Service*
- Senate budget chief Steven Panagiotakos said “You can’t make these type of cuts without expecting layoffs in both the public sector and non-profit sector that depends on public subsidies and also cuts and reduction in benefits and entitlements and services.” *Tax Hikes, Spending Cuts Mark Budget Accord Thursday, June 18, 2009 10:40 PM State House News Service*
- Gov. Deval Patrick expressed general satisfaction Thursday with reform packages he has linked to his support for a 25-percent boost in the 5-cent sales tax. *Patrick Will Sign Sales Tax Increase, Transpo Overhaul Thursday, June 25, 2009 8:59 PM State House News Service*
- Mayor John Barrett of North Adams said “In 26 years as mayor, I have never seen such a lack of leadership on Beacon Hill,”. “When times are tough, we need leadership. Any fool can cut budgets” *Earmarks fill budget as tax hike mulled comparison Hillary Chabot Boston Herald April 17, 2009.*
- Five of the state’s largest employer groups endorsed a 25-cent-per-gallon gas tax increase Mass. Taxpayers Foundation, the Mass. Business Roundtable, the state chapter of the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties, A Better City, and the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce. *Biz Groups Call For 25-Cent Gas Tax Hike, Labor Withholding Support- Monday, March 02, 2009*
- The governor also wants a range of financing options, including a pilot program for taxed miles traveled, new Registry fees, and an added \$2 “carbon fee” for parking at Logan Airport. *Biz Groups Call For 25-Cent Gas Tax Hike, Labor Withholding Support- Monday, March 02, 2009*
- Gov. Deval Patrick’s fiscal proposals taxes: Hummers, Tootsie Rolls, Dr. Pepper, Motel 6 stays, Budweiser, telecommunications services, and lunch. *State House News Service Friday, February 27, 2009 Gas House Gang*
- Patrick said the state must consider how to buttress increased revenues through taxes or tolls with additional tools, including fees on vehicles’ fuel-efficiency, and mentioning that one idea calls for open-road tolling based on mileage. An extra penny on the gas tax, he said, is worth roughly \$26 million. He said, “We need to be thinking to what comes after tolling or a gas tax.” *State House News Service Wednesday, February 18, 2009 Patrick Calls Higher Tolls, Gas Tax Mutually Exclusives*
- “Unfortunately we have no easy options,” Patrick said yesterday. *House opens budget battle with \$2 billion in cuts Hillary Chabot Boston Herald April 15, 2009*

- Rep. Vincent A. Pedone, D-Worcester said he switched partly because of the argument that raising one tax was better than the numerous smaller tax hikes the governor has proposed. "It was a realization that we could not get core services delivered to the people of the commonwealth without this tax increase." *Veto-proof support fragile for sales tax hike John J. Monahan TELEGRAM & GAZETTE STAFF April 29, 2009*
- Senate Ways and Means Chairman Steve Panagiotakos said "I think there's more of an appetite to do the sales tax than the multiple taxes Patrick has proposed." "It's less regressive than the gas tax." *Politicians put squeeze on Deval Patrick's tax plan Hillary Chabot Boston Herald April 29, 2009*
- "Members joked about the electoral risks in backing higher taxes. Endorsing the tax hike in his maiden speech, Rep. Jonathan Hecht (D-Watertown) said he had been elected last September without facing a Republican opponent. 'Perhaps that will change after this vote,' Hecht said, drawing laughs from colleagues." They're laughing at you! There laughing at our families! There laughing as Massachusetts burns! *Our view: Valley reps abandon sales tax opposition Eagle Tribune Editorial April 29, 2009*
- Voters are too worried about their jobs and futures, and too furious about the ceaseless evidence of self-dealing on Beacon Hill, to willingly pay more taxes if they think it is just going to fund the same old corrupt game. *Save government from hackery Boston Globe Editorial April 29, 2009*
- Melrose Mayor Rob Dolan, who is a Democrat said Legislative Democrats are "owned by Big Labor and a lack of reform." *Beep-Beep, Cha-Ching, Snip-Snip Weekly Roundup State House News Service Friday, April 17, 2009 4:12 PM*
- Beacon Hill Institute update for 25% increase in state sales tax. It would destroy approximately 12,000 jobs and discourage nearly \$51 million in business investment in the Commonwealth. The average person would lose approximately \$457 per year in wages. The sales tax would continue to be regressive with the increase falling disproportionately on low income earners. The increase in the sales tax would not result in expected revenues. The actual increase, given the dynamic effects would be \$649 million not \$900 million. *BHI FaxSheet Information and Updates on Current Issues May 2009 (<http://www.beaconhill.org/FaxSheets/2009/MA-SalesTaxHikeRev0625.pdf>)*
- **FINALLY, words of wisdom from a sane individual!** Jane Folkman a Medfield resident said "I'm not for any more taxes. I've just about had it, I have a better idea. I think we should reduce the amount of representatives we have in state government." *Earmarks fill budget as tax hike mulled comparison Hillary Chabot Boston Herald April 17, 2009.*

***Fifty one percent of the people said the state is on the wrong track. Poll Reflects Voter Frustration, Peril For Incumbents Thursday, March 26, 2009 State House News Service***

- \$27.4 billion state pork budget with dozens of pork-barrel amendments totaling millions of dollars despite a crippling economy. *Earmarks fill budget as tax hike mulled comparison Hillary Chabot Boston Herald April 17, 2009.*

- Nearly three dozen House Democrats met behind closed doors yesterday to hammer out budget amendments. *Earmarks fill budget as tax hike mulled comparison Hillary Chabot Boston Herald April 17, 2009.*
- Rep. Matt Patrick (D-Falmouth) requested \$150,000 request to study the winter moth. *Earmarks fill budget as tax hike mulled comparison Hillary Chabot Boston Herald April 17, 2009.*
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**59 percent of the people are not confident that state government will resolve the financial crisis.** *Poll Reflects Voter Frustration, Peril For Incumbents Thursday, March 26, 2009 State House News Service*

- Casino gambling is no longer an if, but a when and - most importantly - a how. Those are very big issues indeed. *Ka-ching's the thing By Boston Herald editorial staff April 17, 2009*
- Murray smiled and said, "My staff is going to hate me for doing this, but - cha-ching!" *Senate President On Mass. Gambling 'Cha-Ching!' Wednesday, April 15, 2009 By Kyle Cheney State House News Service*
- Murray pretended to pull the lever of a slot machine even added an exclamatory "Ka-ching!" *Senate president pushes casinos Matt Viser Boston Globe April 15, 2009*
- "There was an appetite last time," Murray told reporters after the speech, adding, "but there's a bigger appetite this time." *Senate president pushes casinos Matt Viser Boston Globe April 15, 2009*
- DeLeo said "I want to make sure we get it right," "I want to make sure that we maximize revenue capacity. And that will require debate." *Ka-ching's the thing By Boston Herald editorial staff April 17, 2009*
- Murray said, "To see that over \$900 million leaves the commonwealth every year and goes to Connecticut and Rhode Island for gaming, I think that even if we could pick up \$700 million of that we would all take that." *Senate president pushes casinos Matt Viser Boston Globe April 15, 2009*
- Mohegan tribal reservation on February 1, 2009 most took a 4 percent pay cut. Midlevel managers' salaries declined 7.5 percent, and top executives lost one-tenth of their compensation packages. A \$734 million expansion project has been halted, and the casino has whittled away 600 jobs by attrition since the summer. *Slots slip, chips are down, and casino workers suffer in Recession 02-11-2009 Gregory B. Hladky Boston Globe*
- Foxwoods Resort Casino on the Mashantucket Pequot reservation, has laid off about 800 employees. "It's eliminating millions and millions of dollars of income that equates to purchasing power in other industries," Gioia said. Restaurants, construction companies, gas stations, grocery stores, and other service businesses have been affected said Peter Gioia of the

Connecticut Business and Industry Association. Casino employees nearly 20,000 people. *Slots slip, chips are down, and casino workers suffer in Recession 02-11-2009 Gregory B. Hladky Boston Globe*

- Atlantic City and Las Vegas, casinos have laid off or reduced the hours of thousands of employees. *Slots slip, chips are down, and casino workers suffer in Recession 02-11-2009 Gregory B. Hladky Boston Globe*

**74 percent of the people do not expect real reform on Beacon Hill this year.** *Poll Reflects Voter Frustration, Peril For Incumbents Thursday, March 26, 2009 State House News Service*

- During Senate floor debate on the ethics bill Thursday, Sen. Scott Brown (R-Wrentham) urged his colleagues to take credit publicly for the bill and predicted Patrick would. "He's going to have a press conference saying how he's done all this wonderful work," Brown said, referring to Gov. Patrick. "It wasn't him. It's us." Brown said Murray had exhibited leadership during a "cloudy time," "not the guy across the hall," an apparent reference to Patrick. *Patrick Will Sign Sales Tax Increase, Transpo Overhaul Thursday, June 25, 2009 8:59 PM State House News Service*
- When the Secretary of Transportation James Aloisi was asked about governmental reform he stated "People are going to make it difficult because people don't like their cozy little worlds disturbed." Aloisi also said with "real reform . . . cozy, little worlds don't exist anymore." *Logan Parking Costs May Soar Governor proposes adding \$2 'carbon fee' to lot, garage rates Noah Bierman Boston Globe March 2, 2009*
- Jim Aloisi, who famously and arrogantly dismissed the idea of "reform before revenue" as "a meaningless slogan." *Reform Transportation charades By Boston Herald Editorial staff April 15, 2009*
- Patrick is pushed for \$26,000 raises for sheriffs. Turnpike slipped two \$100,000 staffers onto its payroll, engineered a \$175,000 state agency job for Sen. Marian Walsh, an early campaign supporter, clearing the pathway for a senator to get a \$100,000 (sic) raise. *Deval Patrick slams 'trivial' pursuits Hillary Chabot Boston Herald Press Clips 03-20-2009*
- Senate President Therese Murray asked all members to move to the Senate Reading Room for a private discussion. Staff was forbidden from attending the meeting and no explanation was given. After a 30-minute recess. *Senate Bans Certain Pension Fund Bonuses In Wake Of 2008 Payouts By Kyle Cheney and Michael Norton Tuesday, March 31, 2009 STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE*
- Senate budget chief Steven Panagiotakos said that the proposals in the *pension* bill are "the ones that I think all of us can agree to without having to go through the formalities of a public hearing process." bill goes to the floor under a Senate rule that allows the Ways and Means Committee to advance legislation that has not been up for a public review. *Hoping To Save Dollars And Image, Senate Gets Behind Pension Overhaul Monday, March 30, 2009 State House News Service.*
- Nearly three dozen House Democrats met behind closed doors yesterday to hammer out budget amendments, with consensus beginning to develop around pushing a sales tax hike and new local-option taxes. *Sides Dig In On Sales Tax Hike Matt Viser Boston Globe April 17, 2009.*

- Patrick administration officials repeatedly declined efforts by the News Service to discuss issues involved in the last [federal Medicaid waiver] waiver negotiation, saying the talks required confidentiality. *Senator Wants More Reporting In Next Round Of Medicaid Waiver Talks Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2009 State House News Service.*
- Lawmakers have included \$217,000 to improve the tennis courts at Wakefield High and an extra \$750,000 for visitor information centers across the state. *Monday morning briefing By Hillary Chabot Boston Herald April 27, 2009*
- Rep. John Fernandes (D-Milford) *proposed* \$250,000 to repair the Mendon Town Hall roof. *The horse-trading begins Boston Herald editorial staff April 29, 2009*
- Melrose Mayor Rob Dolan, who is a Democrat said Legislative Democrats are "owned by Big Labor and a lack of reform." *Beep-Beep, Cha-Ching, Snip-Snip Weekly Roundup State House News Service Friday, April 17, 2009 4:12 PM*

People are upset because every time there is pseudo-governmental reform it means; higher taxes, budget cuts that decrease police, firefighters, ambulance services, education, teachers and hospital services for the people. The politicians always take basic services and emergency services from the people as a means of dictating "see what happens when you want reform. We'll disrupt your cozy, little worlds by taking services away from you and your family."

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It's time we put a stop to it. Our lives, our families lives, our futures are not bargaining chip to be used by politicians in a political poker game. The House Minority Leader said ... voter disgust is sweeping the state. It sure is and we are leading the revolution!

Economists predict the fiscal crisis could last until 2012. Economists have forecasted a deficit as high as \$4.3 billion by 2010.

The economy will not grow when a non-wealth producing entity (government) is spending wealth that hasn't been generated by the wealth producers (you and I). The wealth producers can not stimulate the economy when their income is being drained by increased taxes. Increased taxes will never stimulate a failing economy. Increased taxes will never decrease unemployment. Increased taxes are a cover up for failed legislative policies, failed regulations, unaccountability and a non-responsiveness for reform.

There is a golden rule that I live by. Do unto others as you would like done unto yourself. What prospers your business will prosper mine. What prospers you, will prosper me. What prospers your family, will without a doubt prosper Massachusetts. As governor I will make sure NO special interest groups or lobbyist will ever sway legislative decisions that will hinder the prosperity of you, our families or our businesses. What affects you and your family has the same effect on me and my family.

The candidates and the incumbents are the same melancholy faces with the same delusional ideas climbing the power ladder. Each candidate is in it for themselves and the self centered special interest group that filled their campaign piggy banks. Rep. Michael Moran (D-Brighton) said "Hopefully, taxpayers and constituents will appreciate the candor of the discussions we have around the decisions we're going to have to make." As governor I'm not OKAY with any tax increases! I don't appreciate the legislators candor nor do I trust their decision making process!

Albert Einstein said "insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results." This is absolute insanity. We keep electing the same democrats and republicans with the same horrific ideas and pitiable moral values. It is time to stop the insanity!

Today you have the POWER to make a difference. Today, you have the POWER to make a choice. The 2010 elections are fast approaching and you can let that POWER be felt. You have the right to vote and a voice to stop the economic deterioration of our state. With your vote I will make sure you and our families no longer feel the sting of Beacon Hill's incompetence. I will be accountable to you and so will your government.