

# Declaration OF PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTIVES

**W**E accept as self-evident the truth that all men are created with equal rights to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

We hold that these rights can never be secured in full without equal economic opportunity.

We hold further that equal economic opportunity can only be established by securing to all their equal rights to the use of land and to the enjoyment of its socially-created value; for land, which comprises all natural forces, materials and opportunities, is the primary source of all production, the foundation of all employment upon which men depend for their very subsistence.

The objective of the THE AMERICAN ALLIANCE TO ADVANCE FREEDOM is to secure the natural, inalienable and equal rights of mankind through the establishment of equal economic opportunity.

**W**E hold that taxes on the products of labor, industry and trade deprive men of their natural right to the full benefit of their economic activity; that such taxes impede freedom of enterprise and contribute to the establishment of monopolies.

We hold that any restriction, or any special privilege or advantage which makes the opportunities for legitimate private enterprise unequal is an infringement of man's natural rights.

THE AMERICAN ALLIANCE TO ADVANCE FREEDOM seeks to secure the abolition of all economic privilege and to establish a society based on natural economic rights in which all will receive just rewards according to their varying degrees of ability and enterprise.

**I**T IS our conviction that liberty of person and the holding of private property is a natural right of mankind.

We hold that freedom — of person, of the press, of religion, of assembly and of economic enterprise — is an indispensable condition of progress, the basic requirement for the cure of poverty and the elimination of war.

THE AMERICAN ALLIANCE TO ADVANCE FREEDOM endorses every effort which seeks to secure, defend and advance these basic liberties.

**F**OR the accomplishment of the general purposes set forth in this DECLARATION we urge specifically; that 1) Taxes on the products of labor, industry and trade be revoked as speedily as practicable, and that they be abolished ultimately; and 2) The annual rental value of land be publicly collected in full to defray public expenses and provide social services and benefits.

We maintain that these measures will restore to all men their natural right to the bounties and opportunities of nature; that they will make available on an equitable basis the inexhaustible natural opportunities for employment, thus assuring jobs at all times for all willing workers, the prerequisite condition for a sound and secure human community; that they will provide ever-increasing incentives to produce wealth, together with a just distribution of wealth; that they will make available for use in social services a vast fund derived entirely from socially-created values, leaving intact for the enjoyment of individuals the individually created values represented by the products of labor, industry and trade.

With justice established, and with economic opportunities harmoniously and naturally adjusted to economic demands, poverty and its associated evils will disappear. In this way will be secured those conditions indispensable to permanent peace.

## The American Alliance to Advance Freedom

**BY PROMOTING THE PRINCIPLE OF NATURAL ECONOMIC RIGHTS**