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42 YEARS; IT SEEMS LIKE A LONG TIME, BUT IN THE SCHEME OF ALL THINGS AMERICANA, IS REALY IS NOT; US

OLD TIMES KNOW IN ORDER TO SEE Government PROGRAMS GET UP, STARTED, ORGANIZED AND OPERATATIONAL, IS TIME CONSUMMING.

YES, CONGRESS CREATED THE MANDATE; THE DETAILS MUST GO THROUGH A VERY TEDIOUS PROCESS;

HOW CLOSE ARE WE TO ACHIEVEING THE HPA GOALS?

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED, WE ARE CRESTING THE LONG, STEEP MOUNTAIN OF EVENTUALITY.

IN THE BEGINNING OUR GOVERNMENT DID NOT WISH TO BE UNREASONABLE OR HEAVY-HANDED; IN ITS MANDATE TO ENFORCE THE HPA, ATTEMTPED SEVERAL TIMES OVER SEVERAL YEARS TO FACILITATE INDUSTRY WIDE SELF-REGUALTION.

POINT OF FACT; IT WAS CONGRESS WHO REVISTED THE ORGINAL 1970 HPA TO GUAGE HOW WELL THE INDUSTRY HAD COME INTO COMPLIANCE, AND DECIDED TO AMEND THE HPA AND INCLUDE THE SCAR RULE CIRCA 1975- 1976.

INDEPENDENT SELF-REGUALTION IS NOT ATTAINABLE AFTER ALL THESE YEARS. GUIDED REGULATION IS NECESSARY, IF THE HPA GOAL IS TO BE REACHED.

EVERY HIO IS UP, RUNNING AND DOING BUSINESS BECAUSE THAT GROUP WANTS TO REALIZE SELF DESTINY.

HOWEVER, IT IS THE DUTY OF THESE HIOS TO NOT ONLY ENCOURAGE, FACILITATE EDUCATION AND UNCOMPROMISING COMPLIANCE TO ITS MEMBERS,

BUT ALSO IMPROVE THE IMAGE OF THE HORSE AND HORSE SHOWS.

IF WE ARE TO BE TRANSPARENET IN OUR RESOLVE WE MUST BE HONEST AND ABOVE BOARD IN OUR DUTIES.

WE WANT TO COMPETE OUR HORSES? DO THE RIGHT THING

WE NEED THE GOVERNMENT WHEN THERE IS A WAR, WE NEED THE GOVERNMENT TO HOLD OUR COUNTRY STRONG AND A SUPER POWER,

WE DO NOT NEED THE GOVERNMENT FOR THINGS OUR STATE AND SELVES CAN DO FOR OURSELVES,

DOES EACH STATE DEMAND MANIFEST DESTINY? YES,

DOES EACH OF OUR HIOS DEMAND AUTONOMY? YES,

THEN WE MUST DO FOR OURSELVES WHAT IS OURS TO DO.

SHOULD WE CONTINUE TO SAY TO THE GOVERNMENT "WE CAN'T DO IT, IT'S TOO HARD TO DO WHAT CONGRESS SAID WE MUST, DO"

then THAT IS OUR REQUEST FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO LEAD THE WAY AND GUIDE ~~YOU~~ *US* INTO COMPLIANCE.

FOR YEARS I HAVE HEARD PEOPLE SAY "TAKE EVERYTHING! PADS, ~~CHAINS!~~ TAKE IT ALL!"
CHAINS!

I WAS ONE OF THE LOUDEST VOICES ON THAT SUBJECT, BUT I HAVE BEFRIENDED MANY PADDED, EX-PADDED HORSE TRAINERS, EXHIBITORS, AND SPECTATORS, THEY ARE WONDERFUL PEOPLE

THEY HAVE TOLD ME OF THE "HIGH" THEY GOT WHEN THEY SEE THAT BIG LICK, REACHING FOR THE SKY

The Good People
~~BUT EVERYONE~~ NOT SUPPORTING THAT ANYMORE TO A PERSON SAID "NOT AT THE COST OF WHAT I NOW KNOW MAKES THEM KICK TOWARDS THE SKY"

NOW I ADVOCATE, LET'S JUST TAKE IT DOWN A NOTCH, ALIGN OURSELVES WITH THE REST OF THE EQUINE COMMUNITY AND ALLOW ONLY 2 FLATS AND A WEDGE NO ACTION DEVICE!

IF THE PADDED HORSE INDUSTRY WAS A HUMAN BODY; THE ACTION DEVICE WOULD BE AN ^{MA}AMALIGNANT CANCEROUS TUMOR. IT IS THE SOLE CAUSE OF EVERYTHING ILLEGAL ABOUT THE PADDED HORSE

AND MORE THAN THAT, UNDIAGNOSED DISEASES TO THE HUMAN HANDLING THAT POISON,

ILLEGAL FOREIGN SUBSTANCES, SCARS, SHORTENED LONGEVITY AND LIKE SECOND HAND SMOKE, SPREAD TO THOSE CLOSEST TO THEM.

THE CURRENT PADS, STACKS, PACKAGES ARE A THING OF THE PAST, LIKE UNLEADED GASOLINE, ABESTOS USED IN BUILDINGS, WE HAVE COME TO SCIENTIFICALLY FIND THEY CAUSE ILLNESSES AND DEATH.

HOW STILL WOULD YOU SIT KNOWING YOUR CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN MUST, INDURE, WITHOUT YOUR SAY, RITUALISTIC HAZING, BOOT CAMP INDOCRINATION OR ACCEPTABLE BULLYING?

AND REMEMBER; YOU HAVE NO SAY IN THE MATTER, JOUST HOW LONG COULD YOU REMANIN SILENT?

THEN WHAT IN THE NAME OF SWEET JESUS ARE WE DOING TO OUR BABY HORSES, PUTTING PADS ON THEM, THEIR KNESS ARE STILL OPEN, MUSCLES UNDEVELOPED; IF IT WAS FOR SOME THERAPUTIC OR PRACTICAL TREATMENT, OKAY;

BUT FOR THE SOLE PRUPOSE OF ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT; THIS IS NOT ROME AND THE COLISEUM WHERE WATCHING SUFFERING IS THE HIGH FOR THE DAY

SHAME ON ALL OF US; THE ONES THAT COMIMIT THESE ILLEGAL ACTS OF SORING BOTH CHEMICALLY OR MECHANICALLY BUT ALSO THE MODERATE WHO ALLOWS IT TO BE DONE, WHICH THEIR SILENCE MAKES ENCOURAGES OTHERS TO BREAK THE LAW.

BUT THROUGH AALL OF THIS

GOD STILL LOVES US, HE DOES NOT WANT TO SEE YOU OR YOUR
FAMILY DESTROYED, HE SIMPLY WANTS US TO STOP IT!

IT AIN'T RIGHT

A GREAT MAN ONCE SAID

BUT FOR THE BIBLE WE WOULD NOT KNOW RIGHT FOR WRONG

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

And remember you have not= say in the matter, just how quiet could you remain
and for how long?