

## Rise and Resist General Meeting - Zoom Edition - 9.18.2023

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**Facilitators:** Paul and Jay    **Note Taker:** Alex

### Upcoming Actions

**Thursday, Sept 21, 5PM Immigration Vigil at the Staten Island Ferry Terminal and report back on new messaging.**

We are working on our messages: to focus on NYC, not the borders. We are welcoming immigrants to NYC, and we offer them support. We are designing new posters.

**Fri Sept 22 8:45AM 60 Centre St. The People of NY vs. Trump civil case (in person lawyers only).**

Lawyers appearance for Letitia James' case. NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW banner.

**Saturday, Sept 23 1PM Pop up INVOKE THE 14TH action at Columbus Circle (Monument to the Maine)**

We will have 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment banner. We have found this to be a good location.

**Monday Oct 2, 9AM Trump Civil Trial at 60 Centre St. pending Appellate Court Ruling.**

NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW banner.

**Monday, Oct 2, 5PM Rikers Vigil at Times Square Subway Station.**

NOTE: We are returning to the area between the 1,2,3 and shuttle

RIKERS IS A DEATH SENTENCE banner and signs.

**Monday, October 9, 3-5 pm. RAPP: Inside the Staten Island Ferry Terminal.**

Parole bills for people 55 and older. Examination of who people are NOW, not who they were.

Rep. Jessica Scarcella-Spanton has voiced support but has not co-signed. We want to put pressure on her to sign.

Very good film called "The Interview" about the interview process for when people go to the Parole Board.

**RaR voted to endorse the action.**

### Report Backs

### **Climate Action week:**

#### **9/14 Actions at Citi Bank/Chase/AIG**

None of the people who participated were at the meeting because of the Village Independent Democrats event.

#### **9/17 Climate March**

Amazing turnout by RaR.

Challenges: Speech by Faith Leader at the beginning, which none of us could hear.

After over an hour, we moved down to the front of the march. And then we zig zagged across to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. We cut out before a lot of the rally.

Great accessibility: Donna got to see the youth groups, many people from other states. Donna had a front row seat.

Link to videos: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DspBYOZncEw>

Democracy Now coverage of the speeches: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_ouZUrSfGQo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ouZUrSfGQo)

Indigenous people spoke, female Rabbi from Brooklyn; V, formerly called Eve Ensler, is writing a musical. Several people from the musical sang. AOC was excellent.

Discussion of why the march was not bigger. Denial, defeatism, it is the air we breathe.

People, particularly young people were pointing the finger at Biden: You must do this now! They did not let him off the hook.

#### **9/18 CDs in Financial District**

3 contingents formed in Zuccotti Park; three contingents blocked the Federal Reserve. and two other locations. Many arrests. It was raining very heavily. The people that took the arrests were serious. Well organized action.

Livvie was one of the heroes who took an arrest.

Many police.

#### **9/19 Bank of America**

Robust crowd, well done action. Immediate police arrest threats; many arrests.

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#### **9/13 INVOKE THE 14TH action at Trump Tower**

Good crowd, people liked the message. The text of the 14<sup>th</sup> was there. Very well highlighted.

#### **Friday 9/15 Say Their Names every Friday at 5PM at 96th & Broadway**

Weather was good; there was a group of 20 people. Very important to say their names.

#### **Tuesday 9/19 Fox Truth Tuesdays every Tuesday at 12noon at 47th & 6th Ave**

Jay was an excellent chant leader. We needed to be loud and rowdy.

We worked in coalition with our RaR climate group: excellent signage.

There were bumps: Some people from CA joined us. We told them message out, we don't hold rallies. They insisted on lecturing us. They were totally self promoting.

Great turnout.

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