

## LITANY OF RESIGNATION

LITURGIST: Please join me in the Litany of Resignation. Your Response is "*Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*"

LITURGIST: We have observed, studied, and protested the behavior of corporate America in recent months. Only now do we realize that corporate America is too big to fail. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our slowness of learning.

*Response: Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*

LITURGIST: Only in standing in awe of the sheer size of corporate America have we realized that we are too small to make a difference. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our lack of humility and forgetting our place in corporate America

*Response: Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*

LITURGIST: Only now have we overcome our skepticism about corporate personhood. We now realize that corporate personhood is superior to human personhood in every way. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our arrogance in thinking that flawed human persons should rule over corporations, rather than corporations rule over us. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our misguided thinking.

*Response: Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*

LITURGIST: We now recognize the superiority of corporate personhood having no arms and hands, unlike flawed human persons. Our arms tire and our hands become crippled with carpal tunnel syndrome and arthritis after years of repetitive work. Whereas, corporate arms reach effortlessly across international boundaries and encircle the globe with its bounteous and all-wise invisible hand. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our weakness and small reach.

*Response: Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*

LITURGIST: We now recognize the superiority of corporate personhood having no legs and feet, unlike flawed human persons. We are slow to travel and take up space. Fortunately, by relying on your great provision for us, we may have get around easier with cars or airplanes, or God forbid, public transportation. We are thankful for any hovel we earn, and remain ever hopeful to acquire a nice hovel in the suburbs if we are deemed economically viable enough. Whereas, corporate persons are both nowhere and everywhere at the same time, dropping franchises and strip malls any where you choose, and granting penthouses with golden parachutes to those who you deem as the fittest to survive. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our mere existence in time and space.

*Response: Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*

LITURGIST: We now recognize the superiority of corporate personhood having no eyes or ears, unlike flawed human persons. We are burdened by the onslaught of advertisements that we need to see and hear in order to discern your gracious will for us. Whereas, corporate persons rise above this din and clatter, seeing no evil and hearing no evil. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our dim senses.

*Response: Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*

LITURGIST: We now recognize the superiority of corporate personhood having no mouths, no noses, nor tongues, unlike flawed human persons. We are drawn willy nilly about by tastes and smells, unable to control our ravenous appetites and gluttonous ways. We speak openly and often, when we should be quietly learning from your sublime ways. Whereas, corporate persons have no tongue to speak evil, and corporate persons are the only ones who can truly be neither too rich nor too thin. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our libertine and selfish ways.

*Response: Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*

LITURGIST: We now recognize the superiority of corporate personhood having no lungs, no digestive tract, no liver, unlike flawed human persons. We need clean air, clean water, and wholesome food to be healthy enough to do whatever blessed work you bestow upon us. We cannot survive in toxic environments like you. We stand in awe of your only need and purpose: ever-growing profits. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our many needs that get in the way of your ever-growing profits.

*Response: Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*

LITURGIST: We now recognize the superiority of corporate personhood having no need to spend many unproductive years as children, and no need to retire when old, unlike flawed human persons. We spend way too much of our lives in these pitiful, uneconomically viable stages of life. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our lack of productivity and inefficiency by being human.

*Response: Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*

LITURGIST: We now recognize the superiority of corporate personhood having no blood, unlike flawed human persons. We shed our blood and die in your holy wars, with only one regret: that we have but only one life to give. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our mortality, and please forgive how inconvenient of a fuss that we make about it.

*Response: Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*

LITURGIST: We now recognize the superiority of corporate personhood having no life force to be crushed or simply fade away because of age, unlike flawed human persons. We envy your gateway to immortality. Through the almighty inflow of profits you can live forever. Oh Corporate Overlords, please forgive our deaths, and let us resign our own lives to your higher and more eternal purposes.

*Response: Oh Corporate Overlords, please hear our plea.*