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Ms. McCord:

A letter which you have sent to Mr. John Sharp and Mr. Robert Hiss of Bedford County has come to my attention. It was made public through WFXR on their website. I would like to respond to the false and inaccurate claims of your letter and make myself publicly available to discuss your incorrect legal positions.

First, you falsely claim that a “self-styled private militia from Bedford County has shown up at recent protests in the area...”. At no time did a self-styled private militia from Bedford County show up at recent protests. Your facts are incorrect.

I personally was at the business location of Fifth and Federal on the night of May 31<sup>st</sup> and morning of June 1<sup>st</sup>. I was not “deployed” by the Bedford County militia, the Bedford County Board of Supervisors or the Bedford County Administrator. I am not even a Bedford County resident. I was at the business as a private citizen concerned about threats made against the owner and his business. On the night of May 31<sup>st</sup>, there were 21 people inside the building at Fifth and Federal, including two customers who determined it was unsafe for them to leave the premises because of VIOLENT rioters on both the public streets and ON THE PRIVATE PROPERTY of Fifth and Federal.

No one on the premises at that time was deployed by any governmental authority or “militia” command. Many of the individuals there did not even know each other before that evening/mornings' events.

The bottom line is you are barking up the wrong tree.

I would welcome a fair inquiry into what occurred and be glad to explain to anyone what I experienced. There is a LOT the City of Lynchburg Police Department, Lynchburg City Council, and groups trying to “protest” could stand to learn from those events, IF THEY ARE ACTUALLY INTERESTED IN LEARNING. I will include my contact information for anyone who is interested in the TRUTH. The fact is that many Lynchburg Police Department officials believe that the building at Fifth and Federal would have been burned down if it were not for the presence, ON PRIVATE PROPERTY, of concerned citizens. I am certain you are aware that those concerned citizens have the Constitutionally protected right to protect themselves from mortal danger, including through the use of firearms, if necessary. It is interesting to note that the only firearm discharged that evening was by a “protester” whose rights you purport to defend. The police car he shot into was destroyed.

If you are just interested in pursuing an agenda (which seems to be the case), good luck. If you are interested in the TRUTH and defending the U.S. Constitution, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely yours,



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Sic Semper Tyrannis!

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