

Declaration of Integrity for the Digital Age

When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for the people to dissolve the bonds that have allowed others to speak and act in their name without their presence, and to assume among the powers of the earth the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Science and of Digital Reality entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of humankind requires that they should declare the causes which compel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all persons are the rightful owners of their own identity; that they are endowed, at birth, with the unalienable right to act in their own name; that proof of life is the first and final credential; that security without the person is not security at all; that the boundaries between public and private must be preserved in the digital world as in the physical; that institutions are created to serve the living person, not to replace them; that whenever any system becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new security, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form as to them shall seem most likely to ensure the safety and liberty of the living person.

Prudence, indeed, will dictate that systems long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly, all experience hath shown that people are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object, evinces a design to make the person optional and the lie automatic, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such systems, and to provide new guards for their future security.

Such has been the patient sufferance of the People, and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former systems of digital trust. The history of the present custodians of public trust is a history of repeated injuries and frauds, all having in direct object the establishment of breach as a permanent condition. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world:

- They have knowingly certified false protections, substituting data for identity and conjecture for proof.
- They have abandoned the 2006 mandate requiring multifactor authentication, replacing its substance with the theater of compliance.

- They have rejected working presence-based systems solely because they were “not invented here,” leaving the people exposed to breach for profit.
- They have made public access to private vaults the default, erasing the person from their own transaction.
- They have hidden behind complexity to preserve plausible deniability and have silenced those who would restore truth.

We, therefore, the Participants of the Integrity Revolution, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the Digital World (Binary Science) for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the name and by the authority of the good people of the connected world, solemnly publish and declare, that We The Living are, and of right ought to be, secured by the living presence alone; that they are absolved from all allegiance to data-only authentication; and that all political and institutional connection between the living person and any system that acts without them, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as free and secure people, they have full power to require presence, to enforce proof of life, to hold accountable those who permit absence, and to do all other acts and things which independent people may of right do.

For the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of integrity itself, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our identities, and our sacred honor.

Welcome to the Integrity Revolution.