

**PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY SAYS:**

## **REBELLION IS RIGHT! SMASH RACISM WITH COMMUNIST REVOLUTION!**

The racist fascist murders of George Floyd and Breonna Taylor by killer cops and the murderous attacks by the capitalist state against protesters show once again that nothing short of communist revolution will change society. 400 years of bondage, Jim Crow, mass incarceration, all enforced by cops, show that capitalism with its racist core cannot be reformed. Reforms end up shifting misery around because capitalists are driven by competition to always maximize their profits off our labor. Any gains that are made are due to militant multiracial struggle, not voting or begging the bosses. The police protect the private property of the billionaires, corporations, and banks—the capitalists. The police intimidate, terrorize, and murder workers, especially Black workers, to divide the working class. They super exploit black workers paying them less while making it harder for the working class to unify. The bosses want to keep us down so they can continue to exploit us to make trillions of profits from our labor. But revolutionary unity can overthrow these bosses, share all the wealth we create (and that the capitalists have stolen) with the entire working class, overcome all divisions, and create a new world with collectivity and equality!

Racism is in the DNA of capitalism, and not just with regard to police brutality. Health officials tell us to do everything we can to stay out of harm's way with the pandemic, but the capitalists are forcing "essential workers" and now many more to go to work so these bosses can make profits. These workers are disproportionately Black and Latin, who also have more underlying health conditions because of the racist conditions in which they have been forced to live. So greater exposure and more vulnerability means that they face high infection and death rates -- all due to capitalism.

### **Rebellion is right, but we need to build for revolution.**

The working class needs a revolutionary communist party, the Progressive Labor Party (PLP), to bring together all of its parts into a fighting force against capitalism and racism and to smash the capitalist state and create a workers' government. Without such a party, spontaneous uprisings die out and capitalism remains intact. We don't want to just threaten the ruling class, we want to overthrow them so the working class can take power itself. Transit workers and other key industrial workers that make the system function must join this fight, and provide leadership to the millions of other workers, students, soldiers, and other allies who thirst for a better world. Join the PLP! We have a world to win!

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