

Subject: Petition to the Rwandan Government to Register the Democratic Green Party of Rwanda

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The San Francisco, California Green Party County Council has authorized me, Ann

Garrison, a San Francisco Green Party member, to forward this petition for recognition of the political rights of the Democratic Green Party of Rwanda:

Rwandan President Paul Kagame and the Government of Rwanda
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**PETITION TO THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT
TO REGISTER THE DEMOCRATIC GREEN PARTY OF RWANDA**

WE, the undersigned members of the San Francisco Green Party Party County Council:

HAVING LEARNED from the Founding President of the Democratic Green Party of Rwanda and the President of the African Greens Movement, Mr. Frank Habineza, that the Government authorities, were, unwilling or unable for a third time, to officiate at the inaugural Rwandan Democratic Green Party Congress, scheduled to take place on the 2nd of October 2009 in Kigali, the capitol of Rwanda, and

BEING AWARE that this is not the first time such tactics have been used to delay and or deny true and long lasting evolution of democracy in Rwanda

AND, BEING FURTHER AWARE that the legal provisions of the Rwandan law clearly provide

for formation, establishment and registration of political parties;

HAVING BEEN FULLY BRIEFED by interim Rwandan Democratic Green Party President Frank Habineza that the members of the Democratic Green Party of Rwanda [in formation] have complied with all legal requirements and will continue to do so as law abiding citizens,

DO THEREFORE HEREBY PETITION HIS EXCELLENCY PAUL KAGAME, the President of the Republic of Rwanda and all other government officials:

[a] To observe and respect all legal provisions relating to the formation and establishment of political parties;

[b] To remove all forms of obstacles, which may be legal, extra—legal, physical, political, institutional, infrastructural or otherwise so that the party is registered.

[c] To facilitate the party in formation by instructing and or advising the relevant officials concerned to do whatever they are required to do, so that the registration process is completed without undue delay;

[d] To take any other action that is politically and legally conducive to the successful registration of the party;

[e] To continue to adhere to internationally accepted democratic principles so that the culture of multiparty democracy can grow in Rwanda.

Signed by,

Christine Melia, Paul Platt, John-Marc Chandonia, Razzu Engen, Rich Stone

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