

## Lincoln's Legacy

Melody: Hallelujah by Leonard Cohen

Lyrics by Sheila Plotkin & Aviva Gellman for the Raging Grannies of Madison

Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
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You know democracy will fail  
When leaders' souls are up for sale  
When money rules, the wealthy make the choices  
When lies are told  
In-↑stead of ↑ facts  
And Senators refuse to ↑ act  
Where's democracy if ↑ they don't hear our voices?  
Lincoln said it – of the people  
By the people, For the people

We must stand strong. We must persist.  
On voting rights, we must insist.  
Suppression means too many folks rejected  
The vote belongs  
to ↑ you and ↑ me  
Without it, ↑ we cannot be ↑ free  
Without it, all we ↑ love is unprotected  
Where is government of the people  
By the people, For the people?

Maybe all will turn out well  
Or are we at the gates of hell?  
The Grannies see the challenge that's before us.  
It's one for all,  
and all for ↑ one  
De ↑ fend our rights until we've ↑ won  
All ↑ candidates will ↑ hear this thunderous chorus  
Stand for government of the people  
By the people, For the people.

Hallelujah, Lincoln knew it  
Join together, we'll get through it  
Lincoln said it, Hallelujah  
Don't forget it, Hallelujah