

Democracy

Voting rights for all

Freedom of speech

Freedom to protest

Laws apply equally to all

Balance of power between
President/Congress/Courts

“Due process” is followed

Opposing opinions allowed

Freedom of the press

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Autocracy

Voting restricted & elections influenced by \$\$ or corruption

Punishment for criticizing the government

Protesters arrested, jailed, tear-gassed, shot

Those in power break the laws with no consequences

President is like a king

Arresting & detaining people without trial or legal process

Citizens who disagree are called the enemy and threatened

Silencing all press/media that the President doesn't like

We're losing our democracy. Our country is now being run by billionaires (Oligarchy). There are more signs of autocracy every day. If we want the rights of democracy, we all have to show up and fight for it! What can you do? See reverse side →

Saving our Democracy – What You Can Do

- **Show up to protests in your community**
- **Call or email your Senators and Congresspeople, 202-224-3121**
- **Talk to your friends and family members to get them involved**
- **Stay informed with unbiased or alternative news sources**
- **Autocrats often will lie – don't believe them**
- **Be brave - it takes courage to speak up and not stay silent**
- **Know that your voice matters – when we all take action, it works**