TAKE A STAND ON...

As we strive for peace on all fronts of our daily lives, our very language is filled with war and violence. There is the War on Drugs, War on Crime, War on Violence, War on Abuse, War on Terrorism, War in and between Countries, Fight against Cancer, and other illnesses. These words alone instigate, perpetuate and keep us struggling with the very issues we are looking to resolve.

Our energies are directed and focused on war, fighting and struggle, so that is what we have in our lives. These issues exist and will always exist and Yes, all these issues need to be addressed and dealt with.

However, it is time for new perspectives to work with the forces that are here, different words to describe the actions needed to bring resolve or some semblance of order.

When you are against something, there is someone who is for it and then you are in a confrontational situation of who is right or wrong. We need to stop fighting against an issue and **TAKE A STAND ON** what we want to have happen.

Taking a TAKE A STAND ON an issue is not for or against, it is **ABOUT** the issue, creating a foundation and direction to go in. Using terminology such as "I Take a Stand On...." begins to illicit different emotional responses and sets in motion a new direction focusing on the issue.

For example: Take a Stand On... Safe streets, healthy children, educational facilities that encourage education, options for healthcare and illnesses. **Take a Stand On** spreading compassion, love, and peace in your everyday lives. What begins to happen when you think along these lines? What images and ideas begin to form in your mind and heart?

Darkness is part of our world. It is time to make peace with it, and know it will always be there. We have the answers for peace within each of us. It's time to activate that peaceful state within yourself, bring it forth into your daily life and join with others in the same way. Shine a Brighter illumination to overshadow and lessen the darkness so we can co-exist as Planetary Citizens in a Global Community that we create. Each one of us is "A Global Voice of Peace". Let the sound and action of peace bellow forth from each one of you as an Electric Powerhouse lighting up the world.

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