

26th April 1984

Mrs Barbara Sobrielo
Secretary
International Union for Land - Value Taxation & Free Trade
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Dear Barbara

I hereby give formal notice to amend the Declaration of Human Rights Based on Equal Freedom, as follows:-

The last paragraph on the front page be amended by adding the words "land dues as", after the words "payment of" and deleting the word "tax" on the second line, and substituting the word "fee" in lieu thereof, and on the fourth line deleting the word "taxation" and substituting the words "charges" in lieu there off.

The amended paragraph would then read - "That the equal right to land be secured by requiring of all land holders the payment of land dues as an annual fee on the value of the land held whether it is used or not and excluding the value of improvements thereon: and that such charges, national and municipal, be based on a valuation showing the true value of land, this valuation being made public and being kept up-to date by periodic revision.

Moved by S.G. Hart

Seconded by W.H. Pitt

This resolution was moved independently at the Utrecht Conference by Jan Pot and Graham Hart, without reference to each other.

It was narrowly defeated because no advance notice was given.

Numerous people stated afterwards, that they favoured the amendments, but voted against the resolution because of lack of time for due consideration. The motion becomes, in effect, a consequential amendment following from the proposal to change the wording of the Objects, as stated in the Constitution.

The same arguments apply and do not require restatement.

Sincerely

Graham Hart _____

Bill Pitt _____