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Standing Against Fascists in Canada

For the righteous Lord loves justice. The virtuous will see His face. — Psalm 11:7.

By stepping up and fearlessly leading nonviolent protests against authoritarian vaccine mandates and other cruel and arbitrary Covid-19 restrictions, activist Tamara Lich has inspired thousands of Canadians (and Americans) to stand up for their rights and liberties and to speak out against insidious government overreach.



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For her bravery, Lich has become the latest political prisoner of the accelerating fascistic policies of Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau.

After 49 days in jail, Lich was released on July 26. The mother, grandmother, and organizer of the peaceful “freedom convoy,” which saw thousands of truckers and supporters calling for an end to all Covid-related mandates descend upon the capital city of Ottawa in early 2022, faces charges of the most minor crimes in Canada’s Criminal Code. Moreover, she has been denied bail twice by judges of the country’s lower court system.

Lich was first arrested in Ottawa on February 17, 2022, on charges of committing mischief, an offense typically reserved for teenage boys caught loitering in the park late at night. “It’s not an illegal protest. It’s in our Charter of rights and freedoms,” Lich told reporters asking whether she was concerned about the threat of arrest. “Hold the line” was her calm reply. When asked if her disparate treatment and long imprisonment was a human-rights violation, Lich’s attorney, Kevin Wilson, told Fox New host Tucker Carlson, “It’s more than a human rights violation. It’s an attempt by the Trudeau government to intimidate Canadians.”

Lich has sought to separate truth from lies, light from dark, and urged her fellow free Canadians to stand up for their rights and against the tyrannical mandates. The government, in response, using Lich as an example, has declared that all who challenge the narrative will be crushed.

The convoluted timeline of Lich’s bail denials, jail releases, and arrests would continue from her first detainment in February through the end of July, as additional charges were piled on in late March that accused the activist of “counselling mischief, mischief, counselling to obstruct police, obstructing police, counselling intimidation, and intimidation by blocking and obstructing one or more highways.”

Judge Julie Bourgeois of the Ontario Court of Justice was the first to keep Lich locked up, labeling her a danger to society who could not be trusted to do the right thing. Later, Justice of the Peace Paul Harris deemed Lich’s detention as necessary to “maintain confidence in the administration of justice.”

Such harsh decisions by Harris and Bourgeois would later be thrown out by Superior Court Justices John Johnston and Kevin Phillips, restoring some public confidence in the rule of law, with Justice Phillips noting that the courts “are not a thought police.” It was late April when Phillips permitted Lich to travel to Ontario to attend a gala where she would receive the George Jonas Freedom Award.



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Patriots Pay a Heavy Price for Freedom

Yet freedom for Lich would be short-lived. She was re-arrested on June 27 after attending the gala on June 16. The revoking of Lich's bail on July 8 by Harris in an Ontario Court of Justice meant Big Brother had surely been monitoring Lich's every move. Harris argued that Lich violated the conditions of her release when she posed for a photo with fellow convoy organizer Tom Marazzo while at the awards dinner, an interaction defined as a "flagrant" breach of Lich's bail conditions.

As *The Epoch Times'* Bruce Parly writes, "On June 16, Lich attended the event where she briefly (about three seconds, the court concluded) interacted with a person her bail conditions prohibited except in the presence of counsel, who were at the dinner."

Following the gala, a nationwide warrant was issued for Lich's arrest. Authorities in Medicine Hat, Alberta, arrested and charged Lich with violating her bail conditions. They handed her over to Ottawa police, who returned her to Ottawa, where she spent several more weeks behind bars.



Legal resistance: Thousands of truckers and supporters called for an end to Covid-related mandates, descending upon the capital city of Ottawa and other places in early 2022 to protest. Hundreds were arrested during the peaceful demonstrations. Shown here are protesters in Edmonton, Alberta. (AP Images)

Denied her freedom for the crime of organizing peaceful protests that gathered families together and saw people dancing and singing in the streets, Lich has steadfastly held the line and endured a lengthy imprisonment as a true warrior for liberty. "Free Tamara" chants by Lich supporters waving Canadian flags could be heard outside the courthouse during her many bail hearings. Ultimately, the liberty-loving activist with no criminal history would step back into the sun on July 26, after 49 days in jail.

Lich has heroically challenged the hypocrisy of the Covid narrative at the highest levels of government. She has been shamed and alienated for her courage. The 49-year-old has further been censored and shackled as a political prisoner for standing for her Charter rights and liberties, and for heroically voicing truth.



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Trudeau's Dictatorial Regime

In Trudeau's Canada, evil is completely unchecked, and truth is despised and feared. Lich joins other political prisoners, such as Calgary Pastor Artur Pawlowski, facing persecution for confronting that unchecked evil and continuing to lead with a spirit of power and love.

"It's remarkable what has happened here," Lich's attorney observed. "As you know well, our prime minister has expressed admiration for two different government systems in the world. One is communist China and the other is his dear friend or perhaps more, Castro's Cuba. We're no longer the true North, strong and free."

Trudeau has outlawed freedom of speech, banned handguns, and arrested citizens such as Lich for the crime of taking a photo with a convoy organizer, with whom she was forbidden to associate. Still, many Canadians support the Freedom Convoy movement and find Trudeau's actions a travesty. But there is a price for freedom, and the people don't have to give away to the government the power that they have. Many will not stop fighting, nor will they stop defending the rights of Canadians. But as Pastor Pawlowski has reminded us, "For two years we have been trying our best to reason with the villains, but I know villains. The bully will never stop bullying.... They have big appetites, those greedy dogs."

For speaking truth and defending liberty, for encouraging Canadians not to give up in what is clearly a battle for securing their freedoms, Pawlowski, Lich, and many others have faced dramatic arrests and been treated as the most dangerous of criminals. Still, for every fiery trial these freedom lovers continue to pass through, they seem only further to transform into stronger witnesses for their faith, freedom, and their Canadian family. Americans, take note!



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