

## **WeDemandCoalition wins Modern Day Sam Adams Award!**

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The WeDemand Coalition, comprised of WeDemandAVote.com and WeDemandABetterPlan.com has won the prestigious "Modern Day Sam Adams Award." This award is a part of the inaugural "Sammies" awards that are presented to groups working to defend liberty, hold the government accountable, and protect the rights of taxpayers starting at the state and local level.

In winning the top award, the Modern Day Sam Adams Award, of \$10,000 the WeDemandCoalition most closely met the criteria of leading a local political effort and achieving a victory for liberty. The Award will be presented on Thursday night at the Berghoff Restaurant in Chicago.

According to Daniel P. Regenold, Chairman of WeDemandAVote.com, "We are thrilled about receiving this award. The right of individuals to petition their Government is fundamental. This right becomes more and more important as Governments become desperate to collect an every increasing amount of the citizen's money. We were able to create one of the first ever internet dependent websites that allowed citizens to get actively involved in the process and reverse the direction of its government. When the Government doesn't listen, people must be able to act. It was only because of the incredible coalition of groups that we put together that allowed us to move forward to defeat the tax (groups listed below)."

Jason Gloyd, Chairman of WeDemandABetterPlan.com added the following: "From the beginning, we could tell that this was something that voters in Hamilton County would not accept. It was the first sales tax ever in Hamilton County that had not been voted on by the people. The arrogance of the majority commission, of trying to impose a massive tax increase on the electorate, really galvanized us. The people are wise and need to be listened to."

Hamilton County Commissioner Pat DeWine was a key link in the groups efforts to reverse the \$800 million tax increase. Dewine said, "I am honored that that the grassroots WeDemand coalition has received this recognition. Already, the coalition's efforts in defeating the super size tax increase are causing real budgetary and criminal justice reform here in Hamilton County."