## October 2025

What's your plan for No Kings Day this Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>? Indivisible and others are rallying at Seattle Center at noon, and Capitol Hill Pride's rallying at Seattle Central College at 10 am. Southend Indivisible is rallying at Southcenter at 2 pm, and there are many other rallies around the state and the region. Wherever you choose, please consider showing what matters with your signs, shirts, flyers and conversations - including ways to keep climate & GND action on the front burner!

Then, **what's next?** Clearly, we face the challenge of our lifetime: to protect our constitutional rights, our social safety net, our democratic institutions, alongside our planet and all people's health and welfare. We must keep our momentum growing between these big, national rally events.

**Our key question now is**: what can we do now or soon to contribute to this growing movement and to protect & promote GND funding and policies, while we resist authoritarian destruction. Following the lead of Sunrise's call, if we want the GND, we need to protect and reclaim democracy.

As Bill McKibben notes in *Here Comes The Sun*, we need to speed the transition to solar power, and we have opportunities as well to influence our state's actions, such as through Divest Washington's Coal Act Coalition (SB 5439) and refocusing efforts on Olympia.

Some of our Coalition partners, such as the **350 Seattle Policy Action Team** (fka Federal) ask us to advise and join them in choosing to focus on a few, key state legislative bills. For example, at our last meeting, we agreed to support the resolution of **Third Act of Washington's Power Up Team**. They're working with the Washington Clean Energy Coalition, to advocate to prevent harms from AI-driven expansion of data centers and other utilities. See PSARA's Sept. <u>Advocate</u>, Anne Shield's article for details.