Egypt is Wisconsin is...

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Tariq in Cairo is Miguel in Brooklyn. Ahura in Mansoura is Rachel in Columbus.

Salim in Suez is Lamont in Madison. Naa in Beni Suef is Beverly in Trenton.

Tahrir Square is Times Square, is Wisconsin's State Capitol, is Ohio State House.

Our Mubarak is Mayor Mike,

Our Mubarak is Scott Walker,

Our Mubarak is Chris Christie,

Our Mubarak is Shannon Jones.

Secret Police is countless NYPD "accidental" shooting deaths.

Rampant corruption is WALL STREET, THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK.

Conspiracy is G8, GOLDMAN SACHS, WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION.

Bail Out.

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Terror is a suddenly quiet president in a suddenly white HOUSE.

Regime is elected officials ignoring constituents, ignoring protestors, ignoring history

America is no democracy it's a republic with democratic leanings, no democracy.

Our Mubarak is CNN,

Our Mubarak is FOX NEWS,

Our Mubarak is Rush Limbaugh,

Our Mubarak is THE TEA PARTY.

Revolution is not shooting your neighbor for the six bucks in his wallet.

Suffering is not living without cable T.V. or having to do your math homework.

"Change" is not a campaign slogan to be cannibalized by political copycats.

Dissent is dangerous.

Dissent is bloody.

Dissent is violent.

Dissent is inevitable.