

CALL TO RESIST:

CLIMATE JUBILEE ADVOCACY LENT 1 Week of March 6:

Bill McKibben, climate activist and founder of 350.org, is urging a major effective way to help Ukraine, protect our planet, lessen the grip of world tyrants and oligarchs, and thus promote peace. Each of us at Covenant can join this effort. Here's how:

It is critically important that we urge President Biden to immediately invoke the Defense Production Act (DPA) to get American manufacturers to start producing electric heat pumps in quantity, so we can ship them to Europe where they can be installed in time to dramatically lessen Putin's power. Russia's power, nuclear weapons aside, is based almost entirely on its production of gas and oil. 60% of its export earnings are hydrocarbons. Europeans currently are dependent on this fuel to heat their homes--but this can change by providing modern electric heat pumps on a mass scale. The DPA ("Expansion of Productive Capacity and Supply") allows the President to act, without convincing obstructionists in Congress. It is a non-military response that reduces European dependence on Russian gas and weakens the Putin regime, while helping with the climate crisis and promotion of world peace.

Action items:

- [Write to President Biden](#) with this message: Invoke the Defense Production Act to get American manufacturers to start producing electric heat pumps in quantity, and ship them to Europe where they can be installed to reduce reliance on Russian fuels and lessen Putin's power.
- For those in MA: [Write to Senator Elizabeth Warren](#) and ask her to urge the President, as above. [Write to Senator Ed Markey](#), as above.
- For those outside of MA: <https://www.senate.gov/senators/senators-contact.htm>
- [Sign this MoveOn.org Petition](#) calling for President Biden to invoke the Defense Production Act.
- **Read [McKibben's full explanation](#) of this campaign.**
- Support World Central Kitchen's aid to Ukraine: (<https://wck.org>)