David Weinreich* (dewmath@gmail.com), 6803 Westmoreland Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912. Radical Mathematicians: A (mostly) non-partisan call to arms.

While “science” generally fares well in public opinion polls and has bipartisan political support in rhetoric, scientific results and funding for science have increasingly come under attack. This talk will provide a brief overview of issues in science policy and recent political events, including basic definitions and historical context. I will argue that mathematicians have an opportunity and responsibility to be engaged in the political process for the betterment of our field and for the improvement of our country. (Received September 21, 2011)