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### Hey U.S Government, The Supreme Court Says “Get A Warrant!”

On this day the SUMAC Initiative stands with the Supreme Court of The United States in telling the Government to ‘Get A Warrant.’ Chief Justice Roberts delivered the opinion on the Carpenter V. United States Case stating:

The Fourth Amendment protects “[t]he right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures.” The ‘basic purpose of this Amendment,’ our cases have recognized, ‘is to safeguard the privacy and security of individuals against arbitrary invasions by governmental officials.’

This was a beautifully crafted opinion and is fully supported by the values and beliefs of the SUMAC Initiative. The Carpenter case looked for the Justices to answer one question. ‘Whether the warrantless seizure and search of historical cell phone records revealing the location and movements of a cell phone user over the course of 127 days is permitted by the Fourth Amendment?’ The Justice went on to state:

We have kept this attention to Founding-era understandings in mind when applying the Fourth Amendment to innovations in surveillance tools. As technology has enhanced the Government’s capacity to encroach upon areas normally guarded from inquisitive eyes, this Court has sought to ‘assure[] preservation of that degree of privacy against government that existed when the Fourth Amendment was adopted.’

To celebrate the upholding of all citizens privacy rights the SUMAC Initiative is inviting everyone to join us in a great big cheer saying ‘Get A Warrant!’

In Solidarity,

SUMAC Initiative