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Real Estate Is A Commodity

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With all the financial uncertainty associated with inflation, government spending and recession possibilities it pays to understand that Commodities are enduring, valuable, a hedge against inflation and an essential part of your investment plans.

Commodities are physical assets like gold, oil, copper, wheat, coffee, hogs, soybeans - and never forget – Real Estate.

Inflation is not just increasing the cost of your groceries and consumer needs but it is also eroding the value of any cash you have tucked away in CD's, Savings, Retirement and some unwise stock purchases.

Add to this that the nations of the world are on a track to de-dollarize. For decades the U.S. Dollar has been the global reserve currency (i.e. the measure of all things international) but other sovereign governments (e.g. China, India, Russia, Saudi Arabia to mention just a few)

are resentful of the control that this has given the United States. The recent U.S. Sanctions on the world's 'bad actors' have highlighted this and now there is an inexorable move to establish value in something other than the U.S. dollar.

Inevitably, the USD will lose international value in the next few years, some of this to crypto currencies.

The number one commodity with which sovereign governments hedge against financial uncertainty is Gold and at least 10% of your investment portfolio should be in that commodity. China, for example, increased its national holdings by 8 tons in April 2023 alone, taking its reserves to over 2000 tons. It is buying less U.S. Treasury Notes. Gold is also a treasured personal investment in many Asian and European countries. The easiest way to buy gold is on the stock-market via the **Exchange Traded Fund** "GLD".

Other commodities, all necessary to future production

(and waning in supply) will become more expensive when measured in U.S. dollars – rare earths, copper (tomorrow's oil), platinum, palladium and uranium to mention a few. Miners that produce them are also an attractive investment.

Lastly, your piece of planet earth – your personal home on land you own is a commodity that every single person should strive for – with zero debt tacked onto it.

This is why I have spent the last 30 years assisting people at all levels to acquire a home first, and other real estate assets in addition. Think of real estate as a commodity to secure and protect your future.

