

# Re: Justice For Pluto

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fishfry wrote:

In article <1156563817.606603.198780@xx>, JusticeForPluto@xxxxxxx wrote:

Planetary status has been stripped from Pluto.

This is a disrespectful way to treat our friend in distant space. Earth and Pluto have long coexisted in peace and harmony, and to declare our fellow solar body a "Dwarf Planet" is unacceptable and undignified.

Tell the International Astronomical Union (IAU) that you demand Justice For Pluto.

<http://www.cafepress.com/JusticeForPluto>

Good point. What if the Plutonians declared Earth a mutant planet infested with dumb humans. Would we stand for it? Would the Bush administration invade?

Well, if there's oil on Pluto, then yes.

Or would we just nuke them? If we don't deal with the Plutonians on Pluto, next week they could be in Duluth.

Nuke \_Pluto\_nians with \_Pluto\_nium-based weapons? That deserves a few points on the irony meter.

But the real issue is: What exactly is a planet?

To make this thread vaguely relevant to math, I propose that the

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definition of a planet is a fuzzy one. Objects can be planets to some extent, but there's no sharp dividing line.

--- Christopher Heckman

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