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BASHING TRUMP: ENOUGH SHAME TO GO AROUND!

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To hysterical Trump haters (sorry, but I'm using the "hate" reference without permission from the Southern Poverty Law Center), shame on you for hypocritical duplicity in your relentless bashing our President. This is particularly evident in the recent charges of being a white supremacist.

You correctly accused Trump of being equivocal in his statements the day of the fatal violence in Charlottesville. He made a poor political choice by not focusing exclusively on the white supremacists – at least in the initial days. But there's nothing wrong with eventually pointing out that many well-meaning persons disagree on the statutory issue.

The real hypocrisy relates to the "Chairman of Nuance and Equivocation," Barack Obama. Consider his response after five Dallas policemen were killed by a sniper. When he was pressed to condemn the supporter of Black Lives Matter who killed them, he declared the real problem to be guns.

How about Nidal Hasan's murder of 13 fellow soldiers at Fort Hood. Even though Hasan yelled "Allahu Akbar" as he was spraying bullets, Obama termed it "workplace violence," and held that position for several years.

Remember when Obama invited a rapper to the White House? The rapper was an honored guest even though he released an album that same week that showed a dead white judge on its cover. No one objected to that objectionable decision.

In 2015, a radical Islamist terrorist entered a kosher supermarket in Paris and took hostages while killing four of them. It was an obvious anti-Semitic attack, but rather than picking up on that description Obama resisted and referred to them as "a bunch of guys in a deli...a bunch of violent, vicious zealots." The administration expressly denied anti-Semitic intent of the incident until much later.

How about those who are calling for the President's assassination? That came from a Missouri state congresswoman. Where is your outrage? And when an Antifa member calling for Trump's assassination brought outrage against Antifa, you correctly stated that guilt by

association isn't fair. Yet you have accused anyone opposing removal of Confederate statues as being a NAZI and white supremacist. That's blatant "guilt by association." You are factually wrong and your hypocrisy is shamefully palpable.

Now, as for Donald Trump. Mr. President, considering the insults you so generously cast about during the campaign, you're the last person who should either be surprised, or complaining about lack of respect. Remember those nasty moments of insult and ridicule directed to individual opponents and members of the media? The nature and indignity of some of your actions do not invite respect in return. We, your supporters and all Americans, deserve better than you are giving us with your dysfunctional tantrums and reckless, unhelpful squabbles.

I supported you for President because your policy proposals were superior to the opposition. I'm hopeful for your ability to adjust. I will continue, much more impatiently however, to support the policies you seem distracted from fully pursuing.

Now, I'm going to take a deep breath. I suggest we all do.