74 million tears and 74 million fears

Today, in a little more than a 15 minutes, America's 46th President will be inaugurated. The road to this point has been a rocky one. At 12:01 today, 74 million people will see their worst nightmare come true. They will see Joseph R. Biden, a mediocre professional Washington politician take the oath of office to become the President at a time when America is hemorrhaging faith in its institutions. There will be a period of mourning by Conservatives for what our nation has lost and a period of jubilation on the part of millions of Trump/Republican haters across the country.

Finally, the Left has succeeded in destroying the *orange man*, the *evil one*, the *pretend President*, the *dictator*. Choose whatever appellation that you're comfortable with; he's been called them all...and more. For those who wish to ignore the FACTS and only concentrate on their own small-mindedness and insular madness, they can point to his human failings and castigate him for being a *disrupter* and untraditional President. They can criticize him for being a *sore loser*, but what they CANNOT do is deny the successes he has achieved through the sheer force of his determination and hard-nosed personality these past four years.

The list is a long one, and most of you know it by heart, but it is a list that celebrates the rights of the individual and eschews the attempts by the Left to collectivize us - all according to an orthodoxy that has more to do with Don Quixote than Donald Trump. We who defend the power and sanctity of the individual and the freedoms accorded us by the Bill of Rights and the Constitution have much to thank Donald Trump for...and we have much to fear from Joe Biden and the incoming Administration that he has assembled.

They, like him, are retreads from the Obama years - years which saw our nation pulled farther and farther apart by policies that were either out of touch with America's values or were a direct assault on our liberties. During those years, we were lied to by Mr. Obama, his Secretary of State, his National Security Adviser and countless other Administration officials including the new President (then Vice-President), and by bringing back the 'old gang' of political hacks, Mr. Biden shows us his true colors and how he intends to govern going forward.

Seventy-four million plus red-blooded American citizens voted for Donald Trump while 80 million cast their ballots for Joe Biden, and that five million plus margin represents the combined population of two American cities: Los Angeles and Dallas. That, my friends is hardly a 'mandate' as the Biden team will undoubtedly try to shove down our throats as they spoon-feed us a 'unify now' retread message of 'hope and change.' It won't work for the simple reason that they don't mean it and have shown us their duplicity as they have worked to destroy the President on his way out and his supporters who have stuck by his side these last two months. They will tell us that the Republican Party is in disarray; that all of us 74 million voters were misled or hoodwinked by a con man who repeatedly lied to us about everything from the size of crowds on inauguration day to election-rigging. It's not going to stick.

Why? Because we've seen the Left's tactics in action over the years. Lies, big lies and even bigger lies about them having our best interests at heart just won't wash. We see what they're up to, trying to undermine our self-confidence and plant seeds of discord among those who are frightened about the possibility of being doxed or dropped from social media or attacked for simply expressing a contrary point of view, one that conflicts with the Left's 'approved' prevailing propaganda. Simply because we who disagree with Democrat orthodoxy or don't wish to *buy in to Biden* should not have our patriotism questioned. We believe in America and we will fight to preserve our freedoms whenever or wherever or whoever tries to take them from us. This does not make us insurrectionists or infidels or anything in between. It makes us patriots. Donald Trump reminded us of what we could lose if we stood down and looked the other way, and we will continue on our quest to make America great again, strong again, just again, prosperous again and proud again. Today, January 20th and every day thereafter.

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