

# **VOTING IN THE AGE OF CHAOS**

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**ESPECIALLY THE CALIFORNIA CITIZENS IN DISTRICT CA 32**

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## I. The Age of Chaos

Regardless to which political party you belong, we can all agree that these are strange times.

Voters have grown fatigued, frustrated, confused, angry, belligerent, and even scared. Every single day some new shocking event seems to happen. In this Presidential Election, America is careening toward a major inflection point in its political direction.

To those who believe the choice of directions is either liberal left or conservative right, underestimate the dangers and oversimplify the solutions. No political party caused all the chaos, and no political party has all the answers. You are on your own.

And to survive you must embrace change and uncertainty.

Without our coming to our senses immediately, I predict we are one Presidential Election away from a Civil War.

While some pundits are already suggesting that we are in a cold Civil War now, my prediction goes way beyond that. I foresee an all-out breakdown in communication between the political parties with a call to action for party members to take the disagreements to the streets with a mob mentality.

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The losers of the election will start the war, the winners will ultimately end it as they will control the military might of the United State Government. This war will not be North versus South. It will basically be Blue versus Red. Democrats versus Republicans.

Louis Navellier, in his *The Last Republican President?*, claims “Trust in our political institutions are at an all-time low; high inflation is ravaging retirees savings; the globe is teetering on the brink of World War; the national debt is over \$33 trillion and we are adding a trillion on top every few months now; high interest rates are making it harder to get credit and pay for housing;

hundreds of thousands of workers are striking across the country; and unemployment is starting to rise for the first time in years.”

United Nations Secretary General Antonio Guterres warned on February 7, 2024, “the world has entered an age of chaos that is causing a multitude of suffering and thwarting of progress – and it must be reversed. There is so much anger and hate and noise in our world today,” the Secretary-General told member states as he laid out his priorities for 2024, “that every day and at every turn, it seems – it’s war.”

Food prices, gas prices, housing prices, unemployment, high taxes, open border crisis, fentanyl, indoctrination of children, loss of parental rights, uncertain reproductive rights, rampant crime, racism, the homeless, political uncertainty, devaluation of the dollar, plus Russia, China, Iran, and Anti-Semitism on the move has everyone frozen with fear.

To those in the chaos epicenter, California District CA 32, who plan to continue to simply vote along party lines - Brad Sherman, Democrat left or Larry Thompson, Republican right - should reconsider their plans, realize the world has changed forever, and recognize we are now living in the Age of Chaos and all traditional voting bets are off.

Millennials and Gen Z voters, who soon together will outnumber the baby boomers, learned about the Age of Chaos from the many graphic novels, World of Warcraft, and video games. And, even though they are interesting and fun to read or play, I am talking about our real, present day, chaotic reality.

According to Navellier, “we’re staring down one of the most frightening, most volatile and most opportunity-filled decades in U.S. history. In this decade, three colossal “megatrends” are clashing in an epic confluence that has changed the world forever. The early stage of this historic confluence has been responsible for many of the developments cited above, and they have triggered astonishing levels of anxiety.

“Technological disruption is creating a gigantic shift in the way our lives work and how we build wealth. The destruction of seemingly strong and dominant business by innovative tech upstarts is a story we are seeing over and over and over in America. In many cases, these businesses are family owned...and are cornerstones of retirement accounts. Meanwhile, technological disruption is enriching those who own and invest in these innovative technologies at a pace never seen before in human history.

“Even more troubling, thanks to the confluence of the three giant long-term trends, Navellier believes the next decade “will be a period of extreme change and social strife. It will be an era that will seem like madness to billions of people. We will exit this decade a different society than the one that entered it. We’ll see historic transfers of wealth. People who are rich now will be penniless when the decade is over. People who are penniless now will possess huge fortunes. Industries and economies will boom and bust at rates that will make people’s heads spin. Stock and bond prices will soar and crash at light speed.

“These three ‘megatrends’ are: Exponential technological progress, Mass debasement of the dollar, and Deglobalization.

“Any one of these trends is a huge change agent by itself. But together, they will bring total chaos to markets, politics, and society. People will feel deeply unsettled, confused, and worried.”

All across America, hardworking citizens who learned their crafts during the 1990s and 2000s feel like they have entered a bizarre, nonsensical Franz Kafka labyrinth of exploded social movements and technology: AI, iPhones, YouTube, and Bitcoin. While we are trying to be inclusive, they are concerned they are going to be left out.

So, you see, the winner of the 2024 election will inherit many social and economic issues and to solve one he (or she) could exacerbate another and possibly trigger an economic and fiscal crisis the likes of which we have never seen before.

Per Navellier, “If you believe Joe Biden’s big spending has America headed for financial ruin, you have seen nothing yet, because the next president could quickly tip inflation back up to 9% and even into the double digits...We could see a recession upending our economy...Stimulus checks could become the norm as Universal Basic Income is rolled out...Trillions could be added to the national debt as more student loan debt is canceled nationwide...Taxes could spike to rates not seen in our lifetimes...The stock market could crash by 20% or more...

“Big Tech will censor millions of dissenting Americans after the election is called...Migration and crime rates will spread out from major cities, into suburban areas, making even safe neighborhoods look like the streets of San Francisco or downtown Los Angeles: Homelessness could spread to

manicured streets in areas that were once idyllic - with many of the homeless being elderly. Wokeism could become the dominant culture in America, instead of just a loud fringe group. Foreign aggressors could likely take over more of the globe, without the U.S. doing a thing about it...And the war on fossil fuels could be accelerated as the economy goes fully green and the cost of living soars...

“On the one hand, America is a place of extraordinary wealth... a place where billionaires travel in private jets and buy \$10 million condominiums with a month’s pay. The system is working great for these people. On the other hand, America is a land of extreme poverty and miserable, desperate, angry people. To these folks, the system is a disaster. America is the land of “Haves” and “Have Nots.” Some have absurd abundance. Some have nothing. And the rate at which things change in favor of the rich versus the poor is only speeding up, not slowing down.

“This rift between the rich and poor is already large... and it is only going to get larger. Mind-blowing changes are coming over the next 10 years, we will see the world change more rapidly than any generation in history. The way we work, travel, bank, receive healthcare, and entertain ourselves will look completely different than they do now. Large new industries will be created at a pace we have never seen before. They will demolish old industries even faster. And it is all because of exponential progress.

“This incredible exponential force explains why some companies are growing so quickly, gobbling up market share, and making more money faster than ever before... and why others are getting utterly demolished at the same incredible rate. I would like to say this strange new era will end soon... but I believe it is just getting started.”

The debasement of the U.S. Dollar has reached a dangerous level. The Biden administration will soon issue a mandatory U.S. Dollar Recall, replacing it with a regulated, traceable, privacy-invading, and government surveillance CBDC (Central Bank Digital Currency). This will further frighten citizens, and it will also allow our government to become Big Brother.

Deglobalization is a movement towards a less connected world, characterized by powerful nation states, local solutions, and border controls rather than global institutions, treaties, and free movement. Some consider the world to have entered a period of deglobalization, citing recent events such as Brexit, Trumpism, the

Ukraine war, problems with supply chains, the global energy crisis and the past decade's decline in foreign direct investment (whereby residents of one country invest long-term in another country's economy). Not staying connected to countries that ally with our nation puts further strain on us to be self-sufficient in all matters ranging from economic to military.

These "megatrends" are changing the face of the world.

One of the central themes in *Voting In The Age of Chaos* is the notion that traditional voting habits are no longer sufficient in the face of rapid change and uncertainty. Voters must adopt a flexible and dynamic approach, continuously reassessing their positions, candidates, and even political parties and seeking out opportunities that emerge from disruption.

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But sadly, I am here to warn you that you have not seen anything yet. Because I am expecting a massive surprise in the presidential election as early as August 19th.

## **II. This 2024 Presidential Election will be one of the most dangerous, exciting, chaotic, and challenge-filled periods in the history of the United States**

Well, the good news is we know who each party's Presidential candidate is going to be...right? Joe Biden and Donald J. Trump...right? But...There seems to be various alternative scenarios afoot.

Many believe the Democrats are nervous about Biden's age and family problems, so they are giving tacit approval for Gavin Newsom to run a shadow presidential campaign to be ready to be drafted at the Democratic Convention, August 19, in Chicago. He has already debated Ron DeSantis, traveled to China to meet with Xi Jinping, and has fund-hungry political pacts raising money for him. Once the Democrat elite politely thank and elegantly dismiss Biden, they will call Newsom in from the bullpen. Kamala Harris and her word salads will not likely be a factor.

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**Even though Biden has won the nomination, I believe the party will replace him with Gavin Newsom.**

Independent, Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. has no chance to win no matter what pro quarterback he chooses as a vice president running mate. I actually prefer Tom Brady. However, he could be a spoiler. Breaking News. RFK Jr. just announced that his Vice President choice is Nicole Shanahan. I do not know her. What team does she play for?

The Republicans love, fear, and hate Donald Trump. Anything could happen here. Exoneration(s)? Conviction(s)? Incarceration? Coronation? If anything goes wrong with his nomination, he may just start the Civil War BEFORE the election.

### **III. Republican Fear of: The Californication of America**

California, the state Gavin Newsom governs right now, is essentially like a country of its own. It has been good to me. I love the place. I love the entertainment business here. I love the people.

But if you want a glimpse into the Republican nightmare...

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**The Republicans fear the Californication of America.**”

Per Louis Navellier, “all you need to do is look at how fast the Golden State was destroyed by Newsom and the left. And if you agree with the evidence, I am about to show you in a second -- when Newsom’s hand goes on top of the bible to be sworn

in on January 20, 2025...The Californication of America will accelerate. And your life will never be the same.

“Just think about it...California is the fifth largest economy *in the world*.

“Throughout the second half of the 20th century, everyone wanted to move to California. It has many of the country's most prestigious universities...All sorts of natural splendors...Resources...Amazing weather...Booming entertainment and technology sectors...Nearly 40 million citizens.

“It is nearly impossible to screw up a state like California.

“Yet, it was all squandered in a matter of years thanks to the radical left policies of Gavin Newsom and people like him.



“Take a look at the streets of California today...Despite spending over \$10 billion dollars on homelessness, California is seeing tent cities pop up all over the state...And just this week Newsom squeezed by Proposition 1, which will raise another \$6.38 billion bond for him, while possibly well intended, to misuse and squander.

“Getting ahead as a California citizen is becoming nearly impossible.

“California’s unfunded pension liabilities are a major concern for California retirees... And simple tools of life like cars and appliances are being systematically targeted to be banned.

“California has historically had a thriving car culture, but now, its radical green energy scams have banned gas cars sales by 2035.

‘And want to cook a meal with a common gas stove? Well, good luck with that. Newsom is pushing to ban all natural gas appliances. No worries, you might think, I will just go eat out...Well, Newsom is screwing that up, too, with the prices of even cheap fast food going up due to higher employee wages.

“And maybe you would even be able to pay those prices...

“If only California would stop increasing its taxes on you and taking your money...

“California’s public education system for kids has become a total joke, too, focusing more on woke nonsense instead of math, science and reading...”

The Telegraph put it bluntly, writing, “Gavin Newsom's woke policies are hurting children's education. Is it any wonder their parents are leaving [the state]?”

Just imagine what Newsom could accomplish if he had an entire country to work on?

California is a microcosm of what I believe America will become once Gavin Newsom takes over for Biden heading into 2024 or 2028.

And the end result is clear...

Take a look at these headlines:

**California Has Lost Its Superpower - *Slate***

**The California Dream Is Dying – *The Atlantic***

**40% of Californians said They're Considering Leaving the State. Most Say They're Being Priced Out – *LAist* (NPR)**

Replace “California” in those headlines with “America”...and you have tomorrow's headlines, today.

Now, you might be thinking people would not vote for Newsom over, say, Trump. And, if this was any other election, you might be right.

A President like Biden presiding over these trends would get kicked to the curb fast...

And as long as Biden's political opponent promises change and sensible solutions to the problem, he will win.

But this is not a normal election...

Besides Trump potentially being behind bars...

And third-party candidates like RFK Jr. siphoning votes away...

There are two forces in America right now that make this election different than any in U.S. history.

They could catapult Newsom to the White House, despite the clear evidence that his socialist policies are a sure-fire way to destroy the country...

If you want to see America's destiny, you only have to look at its demographics.

And there are two demographic forces that could make this election the most dangerous ever...

And not only keep Donald Trump from reclaiming the White House...

But keep a republican from EVER becoming president again.

The first demographic force are millennials, and the second force is Gen Z.

Together, these two generations make up the largest voting group outside of the Baby Boomers.

Which is why Brookings says “Younger voters are poised to upend American politics...”

But it is not just that there are so many millennials and Gen Z’ers...

It is that they are saddled with too much student debt... too little income... and too few assets to get ahead.

They will be the first generations in America who have a worse life than their parents.

That, combined with woke ideologies, are creating a new political force in America we have not seen at the ballot box.

We can expect promises of student loan forgiveness...Free healthcare...Free universal childcare...To lure more and more Millennials to vote for Democrats.

The trend used to be that voters got more conservative in America as they have gotten older, but that has not held true for Millennials because of the financial pressures they are facing.

The Financial Times says, “Millennials are shattering the oldest rule in politics and conservatives are at risk from generations of voters who are no longer moving to the right as they age...”

Gen Z seems even more radical, with ABC News reporting that a recent poll found that a third of US adults now embrace Marxist views...

By 2028, these generations are scheduled to be the largest voting bloc in the U.S. Once they take the majority... you can bet your bottom dollar that anyone promising less government, less handouts, and less benefits will never see the White House again.

These voters will prefer Gavin Newsom’s socialist policies...They will want everything that costs money for free...Anything-goes social policies...

Many Gen Z voters still considers socialism an appealing economic system. Consider, for example, that Bernie Sanders—an avowed supporter of a socialist United States—is one of America’s most popular politicians—and that as many millennials favor socialism as capitalism.

And today, enough of the older voting generations will not vote for Trump – especially if he is convicted.

The 2024 election is being steered to an outcome the Democrats want right now:

Their political supporters are becoming the majority of the electorate...And, by replacing Biden at the last minute with Gavin Newsom, their party will be re-energized by someone who can complete the Obama-Biden agenda...

And run for re-election again in 2028.

The time to get prepared is right now...Because the question you should be asking yourself right now is...With everyone leaving California to get away from Newsom and his policies...Where will Americans run to if he gets into the White house and America becomes California?”

Well, you can now understand why the Republicans are not sleeping well.

#### **IV. Democrat Fear of: A Republican Dictatorship**

All you have to say is “Donald Trump,” and the Democrats start to steam with hatred. Notwithstanding whatever good policies he may have implemented as President of our country, they loathe everything he stands for and fear he is a total mad man ready to destroy our democracy and appoint himself Dictator, King, Emperor, or anything else he may want. There is no rational conversation for a Republican to have with a Democrat beyond the name Donald J. Trump.

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**The Democrats fear a  
Republican Dictatorship,  
Donald J. Trump.**

Democrats fear that he would further: stack the Supreme Court, prevent any checks on his executive power, promote the “Big Lie” about the 2020 election, place himself above the law, incite racial hatred, speak in misogynistic terms, deny climate change,

alienate our allies, giving up on NATO, cede Ukraine to Russia, admire and embrace autocratic leaders abroad...

But unbelievably, there may be something more dangerous than Donald Trump that the Democrats should concern themselves with.

Who is John Galt?

In Ayn Rand's 1957 controversial, recognized masterpiece *Atlas Shrugged*, between the surreal descriptions of a world fading into socialism to the incredible character development of larger than life entrepreneurs, philosophers, and artists, this book is a monument to reason and has arguably never been more relevant than today.



Rand sets out to provide a moral defense of capitalism and demonstrate through the novel's action what happens when governments follow socialist ideas. She argues that when men are compelled, through collectivism's forced moral code, to place the needs of their neighbors above their own rational self-interest, the result is chaos and evil. Incentive is destroyed, and corruption becomes inevitable. For Rand, any economic or political plan based on sacrifice of the individual for the group leads to chaos and destruction.

John Galt represents the main theme of the novel and of Rand's Objectivism philosophy: the idea that the mind is the only means by which man can achieve prosperity. The mind is the motive power that drives civilization, just as the motor Galt develops in the novel can drive industry. Galt embodies the mind, and the question "Who is John Galt?" is not only a literal question about the mysterious man who has disappeared, but a figurative question as well. The question asks *what is the mind?* and *what happens when the mind disappears?* Galt knows that without his mind and the minds of the world's great thinkers, the motive power of the world will be lost, and the motor of the world will stop.

So, if you saw Atlas with his buckling arms trembling but still trying to hold up the world on his shoulders, what would you advise him to do? Galt would advise him to simply shrug...And Atlas Shrugged.

Prometheus was a figure from Greek mythology. He was a titan who stole fire from the gods and brought it to men to improve their lives. In return, he was chained to a rock and tortured. Vultures ate his liver each day, only to have it grow

back at night to be eaten again. Prometheus (personified by Galt) represents the great industrialists who have provided men with prosperity and improved their lives with their inventions and products but have received only condemnation and government interference in return. These men, led by Galt, have disappeared, and taken their prosperity-generating minds (the “fire” they had provided) with them. They will no longer allow themselves to receive torture as payment for their talents and gifts, and they will only return their talents to the world when they are no longer punished for bringing them.

John Galt is Prometheus who changed his mind. After centuries of being torn by vultures in payment for having brought to men the fire of the gods, he broke his chains—and he withdrew his fire—until the day when men withdraw their vultures.

In the strike that Galt conceives, organizes, and conducts is the book’s central, defining event. But his identity remains a mystery until two-thirds of the way through the novel, lending him a mythical stature. In Galt, Rand has set out to present man in his most ideal form. She describes him as physically beautiful, profoundly brilliant, and enormously accomplished. Not only has he been able to develop a revolutionary motor, but he has also created a philosophy of reason and become a statesman capable of leading the world’s most talented men and women. Most importantly, Galt is unwaveringly rational and deals directly with the objective facts he encounters. In him, rationality and emotion are fully integrated. Though ruled by reason, he is able to express and experience his emotions as well.

In the novel, the government proclaims that “for the common good” all copyrights, patents, and trademarks will be transferred to the federal government. All wages and further sources of income for the individual are hereby frozen. This is ordered “to protect the security of our fellow citizens.”

The “strike of the mind” led by John Galt demonstrates this central theme of the novel. When the best creative minds are systematically removed from the world, their importance is laid bare. Without the great thinkers, society spirals quickly downward. The economy collapses, and irrational looters seize power. Rand’s belief in the central importance of the mind opposes the prevailing wisdom that labor is responsible for prosperity. As the events of the novel show, the mind enables creation and innovation and powers the engine of the world. Labor alone cannot achieve productivity and prosperity without the guidance of the great minds.

Imagine instead of Rand's main character, John Galt, and his fellow titans of industry, Dagny Taggart, Francisco d'Anconia, Ellis Wyatt, and Hank Rearden disappearing from the world one at a time and going on strike leading the revolution of the mind, it was Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos, Larry Ellison, Taylor Swift, and Bill Gates.

Suppose Donald Trump lost his properties and wealth due to prosecutions and excessive bonds and decided not to subject himself to this punishment, but in fact to withdraw himself from society and convincing his fellow modern titans of industry to join him to go on strike.

*Atlas Shrugged* furthers the theme of individualism that Ayn Rand developed in *The Fountainhead*. In *The Fountainhead*, she shows by means of its hero, the innovative architect Howard Roark, that the independent mind is responsible for all human progress and prosperity. In *Atlas Shrugged*, she shows that without the independent mind, our society would collapse into primitive savagery. *Atlas Shrugged* is an impassioned defense of the freedom of man's mind. But to understand the author's sense of urgency, we must have an idea of the context in which the book was written. This includes both the post-World War II Cold War and the broader trends of modern intellectual culture.

Twentieth-century culture spawned the most oppressive dictatorships in human history. The Fascists in Italy, the National Socialists (Nazis) in Germany, and the Communists — first in Russia and later in China and elsewhere — seriously threatened individual freedom throughout the world. Ayn Rand lived through the heart of this terrifying historical period. In fact, when she started writing *Atlas Shrugged* in 1946, the West had just achieved victory over the Nazis. For years, the specter of national socialism had haunted the world, exterminating millions of innocent people, enslaving millions more, and threatening the freedom of the entire globe. The triumph of the free countries of the West over Naziism was achieved at an enormous cost in human life. However, it left the threat of communism unabated.

In 1956 when Ayn Rand was writing *Atlas Shrugged*, many Americans strongly believed that the government should have the power to coercively redistribute income and to regulate private industry. The capitalist system of political and economic freedom was consistently attacked by socialists and welfare statistes. The belief that an individual has a right to live his own life was replaced, to a significant extent, by the collectivist idea that individuals must work and live in

service to other people. Individual rights and political freedom were threatened in American politics, education, and culture.

Can you believe this? I read today on my iPhone notifications that 28% of the housing in France today is government ordered to eventually make room available for everyone. Are we watching the movie *Dr. Zhivago* play out here?

Rand further argues in *Atlas Shrugged* that the freedom of American society is responsible for its greatest achievements. For example, in the nineteenth century, inventors and entrepreneurs created an outpouring of innovations that raised the standard of living to unprecedented heights and changed forever the way people live. Rand, who thoroughly researched the history of capitalism, was well aware of the progress made during this period of economic freedom. Samuel Morse invented the telegraph — a device later improved by Thomas Edison, who went on to invent the phonograph, the electric light, and the motion picture projector. John Roebling perfected the suspension bridge and, just before his death, designed his masterpiece, the Brooklyn Bridge. Henry Ford revolutionized the transportation industry by mass-producing automobiles, a revolution that the Wright Brothers carried to the next level with their invention of the airplane. Railroad builders like Cornelius Vanderbilt and James J. Hill established inexpensive modes of transportation and opened up the Pacific Northwest to economic development.

Likewise, Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone during this era, Cyrus McCormick the reaper, and Elias Howe the sewing machine. Charles Goodyear discovered the vulcanization process that made rubber useful, and George Eastman revolutionized photography with the invention of a new type of camera — the Kodak. George Washington Carver, among myriad agricultural accomplishments, developed peanuts and sweet potatoes into leading crops. Architects like Louis Sullivan and William LeBaron Jenney created the skyscraper, and George Westinghouse, the inventor of train airbrakes, developed a power system able to transmit electricity over great distances. The penniless Scottish immigrant Andrew Carnegie built a vast company manufacturing steel, and John D. Rockefeller did the same in the oil industry.

These are but a few examples from an exhaustive list of advances in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Ayn Rand argues that economic freedom liberated these great creative thinkers, permitting them to put into practice new ideas and methods. But what would happen if economic freedom were lost?



*Atlas Shrugged* provides Ayn Rand's answer to this question. In the story, she projects the culmination of America's twentieth-century socialist trend. The U.S. government portrayed in the story has significant control over the domestic economy. The rest of the world has been swallowed up by communist "Peoples' States" and subsists in abject poverty. A limited degree of economic freedom still exists in America, but it is steadily declining, as is American prosperity.

The successful are heavily taxed to support the poor, and the American poor are similarly levied to finance the even poorer people in foreign Peoples' States. The government subsidizes inefficient businesses at the expense of the more efficient.

With the state controlling large portions of the economy, the result is the rise of corrupt businessmen who seek profit by manipulating crooked politicians rather than by doing productive work. The government forces inventors to give up their patents so that all manufacturers may benefit equally from new products. Similarly, the government breaks up productive companies, compelling them to share the market with weaker (less efficient) competitors. In short, the fictionalized universe of *Atlas Shrugged* presents a future in which the U.S. trend toward socialism has been accelerated. Twentieth-century realities such as heavy taxation, massive social welfare programs, tight governmental regulation of industry, and antitrust action against successful companies are heightened in the universe of this story.

The government annuls the rights of American citizens, and freedom is steadily eroded. The United States of the novel — the last bastion of liberty on earth — rapidly becomes a communist dictatorship.

The result, in Rand's fictional universe, is a collapse of American prosperity. Great minds are shackled by government policies, and their innovations are either rejected or expropriated by the state. Thinkers lack the freedom necessary to create new products, to start their own companies, to compete openly, and to earn wealth. Under the increasing yoke of tyranny, the most independent minds in American society choose to defend their liberty in the most effective manner possible: They withdraw from society.

In this scenario we would not have today the minds we do have and their creations... Elon Musk – The Tesla electric car, and Space X. Jeff Bezos – Amazon. Bill Gates – Microsoft. Mark Zuckerberg – Facebook/Meta. And yes, even Taylor Swift and her music and performances.

*Atlas Shrugged in essence* is a novel about a strike. Ayn Rand sets out to show the fate that befalls the world when the thinkers and creators go on strike. The author

raises an intriguing question: What would happen if the scientists, medical researchers, inventors, industrialists, writers, artists, and so on withheld their minds and their achievements from the world?

Rand argues that all human progress and prosperity depend on rational thinking. For example, human beings have cured such diseases as malaria, polio, dysentery, cholera, diphtheria, and tuberculosis. Man has learned to fly, erect cities and skyscrapers, grow an abundant food supply, and create computers. Humans have been to the moon and back and have invented the telephone, radio, television, and a thousand other life-promoting technologies. All of these achievements result from the human application of a rational mind to practical questions of survival. If the intellectuals responsible for such advances abandon the world, regression to the primitive conditions of the Dark Ages would result. But what would motivate intellectuals to such an extreme act as going on strike? We are used to hearing about strikes, that protest conditions considered oppressive or intolerable by workers. The thinkers go on strike in *Atlas Shrugged* to protest the oppression of their intellect and creativity.

The thinkers in *Atlas Shrugged* strike on behalf of individual rights and political freedom. They strike against an enforced moral code of self-sacrifice — the creed that human life must be devoted to serving the needs of others. Above all, the thinkers strike to prove that reason is the only means by which man can understand reality and make proper decisions; emotions should not guide human behavior. In short, the creative minds are on strike in support of a person's right to think and live independently.

Withdrawal of the great thinkers causes the collapse of the American economy and the end of dictatorship. The strike proves the role that the rational mind plays in the attainment of progress and prosperity.

The emphasis on reason is the hallmark of Ayn Rand's fiction. All of her novels, in one form or another, glorify the life-giving power of the human mind.

For example, in *The Fountainhead*, Ayn Rand emphasizes the independent nature of the mind's functioning — that rational individuals neither conform to society nor obey authority but trust their own judgment. In her early novelette *Anthem*, Ayn Rand shows that under a collectivist dictatorship, the mind is stifled and society regresses to a condition of primitive ignorance. *Anthem* focuses on the mind's need for political freedom. The focus of *Atlas Shrugged* is the role that the human mind plays in human existence. *Atlas Shrugged* shows that rational thinking is mankind's

survival instrument, just as the ability to fly is the survival tool for birds. In all of her major novels, Ayn Rand presents heroes and heroines who are brilliant thinkers opposed to either society's pressure to conform or a dictatorial government's commands to obey. The common denominator in all of her books is the life-and-death importance, for both the individual and society, of remaining true to the mind.

In *Atlas Shrugged*, Ayn Rand presents, for the first time and in a dramatized form, her original philosophy of Objectivism. She exemplifies this philosophy in the lives of the heroes and in the action of the story. *Objectivism* holds that reason — not faith or emotionalism — is man's sole means of gaining knowledge. Her theory states that an individual has a right to his or her own life and to the pursuit of his or her own happiness, which is counter to the view that man should sacrifice himself to society.

Objectivism is individualistic, holding that the purpose of government is to protect the sovereign rights of an individual. This philosophy opposes the collectivist notion that society as a whole is superior to the individual, who must subordinate himself to its requirements. In the political/economic realm, Objectivism upholds full laissez-faire capitalism — a system of free markets that legally prevent the government from restricting man's productive activities — as the only philosophical system that protects the freedom of man's mind, the rights of the individual, and the prosperity of man's life on earth.

Because of Ayn Rand's uncompromising defense of the mind, of the individual, and of capitalism, *Atlas Shrugged* created great controversy on its publication in 1957. Denounced by critics and intellectuals, the book nevertheless reached a wide audience. The book has sold millions of copies and influenced the lives of countless readers. Since 1957, Ayn Rand's philosophy of Objectivism has gradually taken hold in American society.

In the novel, just as the head of state prepares to give a speech on the economic situation, John Galt takes over the airwaves and delivers a lengthy address to the country, laying out the terms of the strike he has organized. In desperation, the government seeks Galt to make him their economic dictator. Dagny inadvertently leads them to him, and they take him prisoner. But Galt refuses to help them, even after he is tortured. Finally, Dagny and the strikers rescue him in an armed confrontation with guards. They return to the valley, where Dagny finally joins the strike. Soon, the country's collapse is complete, and the strikers prepare to return.

The book's opening line, "Who is John Galt?", is an expression of helplessness and despair at the current state of the novel's fictionalized world. The book's protagonist, Dagny Taggart, hears a number of legends of Galt before finding him. In one legend Galt seeks the lost island of Atlantis, in another he discovers the Fountain of Youth. After eventually joining Galt's cause and falling in love with him, Taggart learns that all of the stories metaphorically speaking have an element of truth to them. Finally, when asked "Who is John Galt?", she replies "We are!"

## **V. The Epicenter - California's 32<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District**

The Epicenter of The Age of Chaos is CA 32, which includes prestigious Bel-Air, Bell Canyon, Beverly Glen, Brentwood, Canoga Park, Chatsworth, Encino, Malibu, North Hills, Northridge, Pacific Palisades, Reseda, Sherman Oaks, Studio City, Tarzana, Topanga, West Hills, Winnetka, and Woodland Hills. It is everywhere from the Ronald Reagan Freeway south to Sunset Blvd and west to up along the Pacific Coast Highway to Malibu.

Amid the wealth, perfect weather, Sunset Boulevard and Malibu, CA 32 is the idyllic example of California, but where chaos permeates the political climate. The dominance of the Democratic Party here has made it a one-party state and District and has silenced conservative voices. Few districts in the United States are more liberal than this congressional district. This is the district in which I am running for Congress. Brad Sherman is its incumbent congressman. He has been in office for 28 years (14 terms). He has accomplished nothing of major importance, and, to remain in office, he did not need to...until now...and he is not equipped for the task at hand.

In speaking with the many diverse citizens of CA 32, I have listened to firsthand concerns ranging from a single mom trying to make ends meet in an otherwise affluent district, to a Latino businessman trying to expand his business amid a stifling, bureaucratic business environment to a homeless veteran who cannot get medical attention for his drug addiction. Tricia Wong lives in fear of racial violence against her and her family. All of these people must be listened to; cared for; and have their issues addressed.

### **Sherman's Weaknesses:**

**1. Perception of Being Out of Touch:** Voters argue that Brad Sherman has been in Congress for a long time (since 1997) and has lost touch with the needs and concerns of his constituents. Constituents have detected from his Town Halls that

Sherman is more focused on national politics than on addressing local issues in the 32nd District.

**2. Partisan Reputation:** Sherman has been so caught up with, and proud of, his associations with Democratic Representatives Adam Schiff, Ted Lieu, and Maxine Waters, that he has failed to recognize there has been a substantial number of independent or conservative-leaning voters now in his district. Sherman is too partisan and out of step with the district's political composition.

**3. Limited Legislative Achievements:** Despite his long tenure in Congress, Sherman has relatively few significant legislative achievements to show for his time in office. He has failed to deliver on campaign promises or where his proposed legislation did not gain traction or achieve desired outcomes.

**4. Resistance to Change:** Most importantly, Sherman is resistant to change or innovation, particularly in areas such as technology and economic development. Sherman's long tenure in Congress has made him complacent or unwilling to embrace new ideas and approaches to address emerging challenges. 28 years ago (1996) when Sherman became a Congressman for California, he was current with world affairs but over time he has proven by his wrong minded, inflexible mind set, and indifferent reaction to change that he is ill-equipped to navigate the future.

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**Brad Sherman is resistant to change or technological innovations.**

The exponential progress in technology has passed him by.

As a perfect example, see below the January 24, 2024, AP news story that ran in California's *Canyon News*.

## Larry Thompson, U.S. Congressional Candidate, Hits the Political Bitcoin Jackpot

January 24, 2024, 21:45 GMT



Larry Thompson For U.S. Congress

***Thompson's Incumbent Opponent, Rep. Brad Sherman (D) CA 32, Has Been on the Wrong Side of History for 15 Years***

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES, January 24, 2024

[/EINPresswire.com/](https://EINPresswire.com/) -- On January 10, 2024, the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) gave official approval to 11 Financial Institutions to create a "spot bitcoin ETF" (Exchange-Traded Fund). This long-awaited and controversial government approval basically allows these 11 Financial Institutions to now offer to the public the opportunity to buy "bitcoin" easily and safely as if it were simply a stock in a mutual fund on the New York Stock Exchange, Nasdaq, or Chicago Board of Trade, instead of investors still having to figure out how to buy it on a "Crypto Exchange" (e.g. Coinbase) as a "mysterious" and "dangerous" cryptocurrency.

This approval is recognized worldwide as the biggest event in the history of Bitcoin and cryptocurrency. It finally adds legitimacy to Bitcoin as an Asset Class, and it has opened a floodgate of new investors causing the price of bitcoin (BTC) and cryptocurrencies in general to ultimately increase substantially. Bitcoin has gone mainstream.

So, how does this financial world news impact the highly-contested U.S. Congressional Race CA 32 in Los Angeles, California? Well, in addition to Californians now being able to buy bitcoin easily just like every other person in the United States, it also shines a bright light on Rep. Brad Sherman (D) of CA 32, who has been (and still is today) the biggest opponent of Bitcoin and cryptocurrencies in Washington, D.C., calling them a "Garden of Snakes for investors who are thieves, felons, drug dealers, money launderers, sex traffickers, and those attempting to evade taxes."

Sherman, who serves on the House Committee on Financial Services and is the Chair of the Subcommittee on Investor Protection, Entrepreneurship, and Capital Markets, has been fighting for over 15 years to not regulate or even ban bitcoin and cryptocurrencies, but to "outlaw" them. Sherman is supported by big banks and financial institutions. (Foundation for Economic Education:

<https://fee.org/articles/exposed-congressman-trying-to-shut-down-cryptocurrency-gets-biggest-donations-from-big-banks-and-financial-institutions/>)

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**Sherman has been on the wrong side of history for over 15 years.**

Larry Thompson, veteran entertainment attorney, acclaimed talent manager and film

producer, plus long-time crypto advocate and investor is strongly challenging Sherman and has received the very valuable, unanimous endorsement of the California Republican Party.

Thompson also received this past week the additional endorsements of both Brock Pierce and Perianne Boring.

Pierce is the Chairman of The Bitcoin Foundation, the longest established Bitcoin advocacy organization in the world. He is also a Venture Philanthropist who has been credited with pioneering the market for digital currency and has raised more than \$5B for companies he has founded. "You've supported this community and industry," says Pierce to Thompson, "long before you chose to run for office. I would hope that a lot of people see you as the tip of the spear, and an agent of change to help enable the future where we can have regulatory clarity and certainty, where America can stay the capital of innovation. Thank you for stepping up in this very important race."

Perianne Boring is Founder and CEO of the Chamber of Digital Commerce, which is the world's largest trade association representing the blockchain industry. When offering from Washington her endorsement to Thompson she claimed enthusiastically, "count me in."

So, what is it about Thompson that is giving such new hope and excitement to the California GOP and the world crypto community?

Thompson believes "traditional banking institutions are flawed, and technology, cryptos, and Bitcoin, can help advance our financial futures." He advocates that "technology is amoral; it knows not right from wrong; it can be used for good or bad depending on the user. We should carefully move into the future with it and not try, as Sherman has, to put the technology genie back in the bottle.

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**I’m the Sanity Man.**

**“I am proud to announce that my campaign is one of the first to ever accept donations in bitcoin.”**

"New forward-thinking leaders with Common Sense will now bring back national pride and 'sanity.' I want everyone to stop, think, and simply use Common Sense with Common Civility to find Common Ground to solve our Common Issues. Let's start a fresh, bipartisan conversation to finally end the fighting, regain our 'sanity,' and get something done. I'm the 'Sanity Man.'"

"I am also running for Congress to awaken, organize, and lead the silenced, conservative Republican and dissatisfied Democratic voters. No longer should they feel alone, confused, defeated, and scared. I offer them an opportunity to regain their courage, stand up, rethink their long-held beliefs, and join me and those who share their values and vision of our country. This used to be Reagan Country, and I'm running to take it back for him."

Even with such lofty ideals, Thompson's election will not be easy as Sherman, his main Democratic opponent, is a 14-term incumbent. He is serving his first term in CA 32 simply because of redistricting. California's 32nd district now takes in Bel-Air, Bell Canyon, Beverly Glen, Brentwood, Canoga Park, Chatsworth, Encino, Malibu, North Hills, Northridge, Pacific Palisades, Reseda, Sherman Oaks, Studio City, Tarzana, Topanga, West Hills, Winnetka, and Woodland Hills.

When asked about his chances in the race, Thompson quips, "Oh, I will definitely beat Brad Sherman. I'm just glad Taylor Swift isn't running."

On Bidenomics, he added that he agrees with TV personality, Greg Gutfeld, that "the \$100 bill has become the new \$20 bill."

"Seriously," he added, "the polarized political positions in our nation have become dangerous in many ways, and, with all that is going on in this world today, there is much disenchantment, disappointment, frustration, and even fear with many Democratic and Republican voters. I intend to bridge this gap of uncertainty and offer a new menu of ideas to the Republican and long-standing Democratic voters.

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**"Oh, I will definitely beat Brad Sherman. I'm just glad Taylor Swift isn't running."**

"Our CA 32 citizens must deal every day with open borders, and closed minds; sky-high taxes, and low confidence in government; not to mention potholes on Ventura Boulevard and Topanga Canyon Boulevard, plus the traffic and safety issues on Pacific Coast Highway.

"I have been a 'Representative' of Hollywood Talent for over 50 years," said Thompson. "And I have spent a career as either a lawyer or a personal manager listening, caring, nurturing, planning, and negotiating, to enhance their personas and lives. I now want to be a 'Representative' of the people, especially those who live in our California 32nd District."



As a long-time, active Republican, Thompson was a Republican Eagle in 1981, '82, and '83, which required a donation to the Republican National Committee of a minimum of \$10,000 per year.

He was the recipient of the Republican Presidential Taskforce's Medal of Merit presented to him by President Ronald Reagan in 1981 and was the personal Talent Manager for President Ronald Reagan's daughter, Patti Davis from 1982 to 1986.

He co-wrote speeches and prepared President Gerald Ford personally for his Republican National Convention address in 1976 and employed President Gerald Ford's Daughter, Susan Ford, to costar on the Jim Nabor's Show, which Thompson produced in 1978.

Thompson was the California Campaign Co-Chairman for Senator Bob Dole's Presidential Campaign in 1996.

He ran for U.S. Congress CA 37 as an Independent in 2020. Karen Bass, the current mayor of Los Angeles, won.

### About Larry Thompson

Thompson is an acclaimed Hollywood talent manager and veteran film producer, lawyer, book packager, author, Broadway Producer, and motivational speaker, and is also founder and President of the Larry A. Thompson Organization, a next-generation, Los Angeles based Talent Management, Motion Picture, Television, and New Media Production Studio. [www.LarryThompsonOrg.com](http://www.LarryThompsonOrg.com)

Thompson and his team of managers have guided the careers of over 200 Stars, and Thompson himself has produced 21 Movies for Television, 5 Motion Pictures, 2 Television Series, 12 Television Specials, and various Series Pilots. He is also the author of the Best-Selling self-help book *Shine: A Powerful 4-Step Plan For Becoming A Star In Anything You Do*.

Thompson has received the Industry's prestigious Vision Award and his productions have won 2 Accolade Awards, 2 Imagen Awards, The Epiphany Prize, The Wilbur Award, The Christopher Award, and have received Nominations for 10 Emmys, 6 Imagen Awards, 2 Prism Awards, the Humanitas Prize, and a Golden Globe.

He serves on the Advisory Boards of The Delta Blues Museum, Paulist

Productions, and Good News Communications. He is a Founding Member Enthusiast of the Museum of The Bible in Washington, D.C., and a Charter Member of the United States Capitol Historical Society. He is perennially listed in Who's Who In America and Who's Who In The World, and on August 1, 2018, Thompson was awarded the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award by Marquis Who's Who.

The National Conference of Personal Managers inducted Thompson into the Personal Managers Hall of Fame on May 12, 2016. Thompson was also honored on September 19, 2013, by the Talent Managers Association with the prestigious Seymour Heller Award for Lifetime Achievement in Talent Management. These two entertainment industry awards are the highest honors a personal manager can receive for representing talent.

Thompson was Knighted in Rome, Italy on May 20, 2017. Grand Prior, Prince Lorenzo de' Medici, sponsored Thompson into the prestigious Order of San Martino of the Mount of the Beatitudes as a "Patron of the Arts and Protector of the Most Needy."

Thompson was born, raised, and educated in Mississippi. After finishing law school at the University of Mississippi in 1968, he drove three days to the corner of Hollywood and Vine to start his dream career in show business at Capitol Records. Also, from 1968 to 1974, Thompson served in the United States Army Reserve's Judge Advocate General Corp, mostly in Torrance, California.

Thompson lives in Los Angeles with his wife, Kelly, and their daughter, Taylor, and son, Trevor.

### **Sherman's Controversies:**

Sherman has faced scrutiny and criticism over several ethical controversies throughout his career. While these controversies have not led to formal charges or legal consequences, they have raised questions about Sherman's conduct and integrity. Some of the notable ethical controversies involving Congressman Brad Sherman include:

1. **Insider Trading Allegations:** In 2009, Sherman faced allegations of insider trading related to his stock transactions during the height of the financial crisis in 2008. It was reported that Sherman sold stock in financial companies shortly

before the government announced plans to bail out the banking industry. However, Sherman denied any wrongdoing, stating that his trades were based on publicly available information and that he did not have access to privileged information.

**2. Conflict of Interest Concerns:** Sherman has faced criticism for potential conflicts of interest related to his financial holdings and legislative actions. For example, he has been accused of advocating for policies that could benefit companies in which he has investments. Critics have raised questions about whether Sherman's fiscal interests may have influenced his legislative decisions or public statements.

**3. Campaign Finance Issues:** Sherman has faced scrutiny over his campaign finance practices, including allegations of accepting donations from special interest groups and lobbyists. Critics have raised concerns about the influence of money in politics and whether Sherman's campaign contributions may influence his policy positions or votes in Congress.

**4. Misuse of Taxpayer Funds:** Sherman has faced criticism for allegedly misusing taxpayer funds for personal or political purposes. For example, he has been accused of using taxpayer-funded mailings and other resources for self-promotion or partisan messaging. Critics have raised questions about whether Sherman's use of taxpayer funds complies with ethical standards and congressional rules.

**5. Lack of Transparency:** Sherman has faced criticism for a lack of transparency in his financial disclosures and other official documents. Critics have raised questions about the completeness and accuracy of Sherman's disclosures, as well as his compliance with disclosure requirements under federal law.

It is important to note that Congressman Brad Sherman has denied any wrongdoing in relation to these ethical controversies, and again no formal charges or legal actions have been brought against him. However, these controversies have contributed to a perception of ethical concerns surrounding Sherman's conduct and have been used by his opponents in the past to criticize his record and integrity.

### **Sherman's Behavior:**

Most appalling of Sherman's behavior has been his:

**1. Failure to Stand Up To The Squad's Horrible Anti-Semitic Comments:** In May of 2021, pro-Palestinian demonstrators trolled the streets of New York and

Los Angeles to terrorize and attack Jews. In this environment, Democrat Squad members Ilhan Omar, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, and Rashida Tlaib falsely

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**How do Biden, Sherman,  
and the Democrats  
retreating support of Israel  
make you feel?**

accused Israel of being an “apartheid state” and of employing U.S. military aid to target civilians and children — a new spin on an old blood libel — and they experienced almost no rebuke from their own party. Representative Ilhan Omar (D., Minn.) referred to “Israeli air strikes killing civilians in Gaza” as “an act of terrorism.”

Because there was little political upside for Democrats to call out the Squad, as they claimed, the party said nothing. Where was Nancy Pelosi? Where was Chuck Schumer, Dick Durbin or Brad Sherman? They allowed the action and comments to go unchecked. This was a moment for Brad to step up and prove he was or is Pro Israel, but he did not, and he allowed antisemitism to grow.

**2. Continuing To Lie and Mislead People That Sherman Oaks, California is Named After Him Or His Family:** Ever since his speech at the Democratic convention in 1996, Brad Sherman had lied to and mislead audiences and his constituents to believe that Sherman Oaks is named after him or his family. That is a lie. Sherman Oaks is a neighborhood in Los Angeles, California with a population of 72,046 as provided by the most recent U.S. Census. It is in Los Angeles County and is one of the best places to live in California. Sherman Oaks was named for General Moses Hazeltine Sherman, who owned all the land now named in his honor. Born in Vermont in 1853, he had a big house at the intersection of Ventura Blvd. and Sepulveda Blvd. in Sherman Oaks, but preferred living downtown at the Westminster Hotel. A wealthy land-developer, he built the Phoenix Street Railway in Phoenix, Arizona before coming even farther west to Los Angeles, where he bought large parcels of land and built streetcar lines in both the L.A. basin and the valley in 1910. He built a small town just west of Hollywood, at the junction of his streetcar lines, and called it Sherman. It is now known as West Hollywood. But the city named for him in the Valley retains his name: Sherman Oaks. Brad Sherman is not a descendant of General Moses Hazeltine Sherman. This may seem like a trivial matter to some, but if a man can brag and lie about his name what else could he lie about...?

**3. He Cares More For Illegal Immigrants Than American Citizens:** Please note the bills he voted nay on that would have helped protect our borders and punish illegal migrants for their crimes such as: HR957, HB5283, HR980,

HB5585, and HB6976. (For more information on these bills, visit [www.govtrack.us](http://www.govtrack.us))

**Here are additional reasons I am the right candidate for CA 32.**

**1. I Understand the District As It Is Today:** I understand today's demographics, voter preferences, and key issues in the 32nd District. I have analyzed past election results, followed demographic trends, and constituent concerns to identify areas of opportunity and potential support. Brad still thinks the district has the same makeup of 28 years ago.

**2. Have Built a Strong Campaign Team:** I have recruited a skilled and experienced campaign team, including strategists, fundraisers, and volunteers. My well-organized and motivated team is executing a successful campaign and mobilizing support across the district.

**3. Have a Compelling Message:** My message is clear and compelling as you can read here, and it is resonating with voters in the 32nd District.

**4. Engage with Constituents:** I have been connecting with voters across the district through meetings, community events, door-to-door canvassing, and digital outreach. I am listening to their concerns, sharing my vision for the district, and demonstrating a genuine commitment to representing their interests in Congress.

**5. Focus on Key Issues:** I am focused on parental rights, education, immigration, healthcare, and economic development.

**6. Mobilize Support and Fundraising:** I am mobilizing support from grassroots activists, community leaders, and local organizations. I am building coalitions and alliances with like-minded individuals and groups to amplify my campaign's reach and impact. Additionally, of course, I am prioritizing fundraising efforts to finance a robust campaign operation, including advertising, voter outreach, and voter turnout efforts.

**7. Leverage National Support:** I am seeking endorsements and support from national Republican organizations, elected officials, and political action committees.

**8. Stay Agile and Responsive:** I am remaining agile and responsive throughout the campaign, adapting strategies and tactics based on feedback, polling data, and

changing dynamics. I continuously monitor the competitive landscape and adjust our campaign's messaging and priorities as needed to maximize my chances of success.

About the Election

The General Election, which will be on November 5, 2024.

Thompson's Final Comment - "Oh, and by the way, my Congressional website is <https://www.larrythompsonforcongress.com>,

**I am Larry Thompson.**

**I am running for United States Congress in  
California's 32nd District.**

**I am running for Congress to awaken, organize, and unite the canceled, conservative voter, the dissatisfied Democrat voter, and the undecided No Party Preference voter. Feel alone, defeated, and scared no longer. Have courage, stand up, and join me and those who share your values and vision of our country.**

**I will always protect family values.**

**I want everyone to simply use Common Sense with Common Civility to find Common Ground to solve our Common Issues.**

**Let's Start a New Conversation to Finally**

**Stop the Fighting, Regain our "Sanity", and**

**Get Something Done.**

**I'm the "Sanity Man."**

**"This used to be Reagan Country,  
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to take it back for him"**

## **On The Issues**

### **Larry, What Are Your Positions On...**

1. **THE 2024 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION:** Waiting to see what unfolds.
2. **ISRAEL:** I stand tall with Israel and Jews worldwide. Period.
3. **BORDER:** Close the damn thing today and stop lying about it being secured. Deport those who are here illegally, and govern by the existing, long-standing immigration laws of our land.
4. **ABORTION:** As a Christian, I am personally against it. As your Congressman, I believe the law is clear. It is not an issue for the national government anymore. The people and legislatures of each state will determine their policies.
5. **CRIME:** I am very tough on crime. We need to support our men and women in blue and prosecute criminals according to the letter and spirit of the law. The party is over.
6. **TAXES:** Lower them all and eliminate some.
7. **HOMELESS:** Raise them up off the streets with compassion. House and treat them in our existing, closed, mental institutions, drug addiction facilities, and veteran homes. Strongly suggest to all religious organizations to co-sponsor our Good Samaritan efforts.
8. **ECONOMY:** Stop printing money and lower the National Debt by a "minimum" of 10% each year until it is paid off.
9. **GUNS:** I will not disarm law-abiding citizens who have every right and increasing need to defend themselves. In order to curb gun violence, we need to prosecute criminals who commit crimes using them. "Use a Gun, Go to Prison."

10. **EDUCATION:** Schools must be assertively transparent with parents as to what is being taught in the classrooms and which ideologies are being funded by the government, namely us!

11. **CRYPTOCURRENCIES:** My Democrat opponent, Brad Sherman, is on the wrong side of history regarding Bitcoin and cryptocurrencies. In fact, on January 10, 2024, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) approved proposals for 11 spot bitcoin ETFs, which will open a floodgate of new investors for bitcoin. As the main crypto-hater in Washington, Sherman has fought for over 15 years to "outlaw" Bitcoin and cryptos. I believe our banking institutions are flawed, and technology, cryptos, and Bitcoin, can advance our financial futures. We should not try, as Sherman has, to put the technology genie back in the bottle.

12. **ARMENIA:** I will always support and defend the rights and dignity of our Armenian community.

13. **CLIMATE CHANGE:** I am for allowing all alternate forms of energy and American oil to compete in a free market.

14. **TAX INCENTIVES TO OUR ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY:** We need to be more competitive. Stop film productions from going to another State...OR COUNTRY.

15. **WHAT ELSE CONCERNS YOU?** Civil insurrection, our government soon issuing a mandatory U.S. Dollar Recall and replacing it with a regulated, traceable, privacy-invading, and government surveillance CBDC (Central Bank Digital Currency), Ukraine/Russia, Israel/Palestine, China, Iran, North Korea, and, of course, as a Congressman of CA 32, the increasing dangers of living in West LA, and yes, even the many pot holes in our streets including Ventura Boulevard and Topanga Canyon Boulevard, plus the traffic and safety on Malibu's Pacific Coast Highway.

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I also believe we need... a New Civil Conversation to Get What Needs To Be Done in District CA 32.

1. Lower our many taxes including supporting the argument that Measure ULA ("The Mansion Tax") is invalid and unconstitutional.

2. Secure the border and address head-on Comprehensive Immigration Reform.



3. Stop our citizens and businesses from leaving our district by making California more affordable.
4. Stop identifying people simply by their political affiliations.
5. Be Proud Californians and Patriotic Americans, who respect the laws and Law Enforcement.
6. Embrace and help each other, especially the homeless.
7. Address every issue, and be giving, reasonable, and lead by example.
8. Be more constructive and less obstructive.
9. Represent equally and passionately each woman, man, and child of every race, creed, color, and sexual preference.
10. Improve wages, health care, schools, and public transportation.
11. The solution to Climate Change starts with improving the Political Climate here in the 32nd District.
12. Protect our Hollywood Legacy and incentivize our Music and Film Production in California.
13. ... and Pray to find Common Ground with each other to secure our Future.

### **Candidate Statement**

I am pro-America and committed to serving the beautiful, cultural diversity of our 32nd District.

Tired and embarrassed of voting your party line and nothing changing for the better for you and your family? Has your party taken your vote for granted, promised you the world, and consistently, over generations, not delivered? It is time to re-examine this new world and vote for a future with positive change.

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**Isn't it long past the time  
to vote your values, not  
your tribe?**”

I am that change. I am Larry Thompson. I am a Republican with Common Sense.

Originally from Clarksdale, Mississippi, I have lived here most of my life. I am a Catholic, Republican, Energetic, Entertainment Lawyer, Talent Manager, Film Producer, Author, Motivational Speaker, Husband, and Father.

I am not a politician. I have been a creative businessman in the entertainment industry. I am used to getting things done. The polarized political positions in our nation have become dangerous in many ways. I want everyone, especially our Government representatives, to finally use Common Sense with Common Civility to find Common Ground to solve our Common Issues.

I want, with your support, to use my many experiences, contacts, and new vision to secure RESPECT and PROSPERITY for ALL. I want to help YOU.

Let's Start a New Conversation... to Finally Get Something Done.

Navigating constituents through the Age of Chaos" requires a congressman to be well-informed, adaptable, and responsive to the challenges and opportunities presented by geopolitical instability and technological disruption. Here are some key strategies I would employ as your congressman.

**1. Education and Awareness:** I would educate constituents about the dynamics of the age of chaos as I am doing in this manifesto. This includes explaining how geopolitical events and technological advancements impact the economy and financial markets, and how these factors can affect constituents' lives and financial well-being.

**2. Policy Advocacy:** I will advocate for policies that promote economic stability, innovation, and resilience in the face of chaos. This may include supporting legislation that encourages technological innovation, fosters entrepreneurship, and strengthens national security to mitigate geopolitical risks.

**3. Constituent Engagement:** I will engage with constituents to understand their concerns and priorities in light of the age of chaos. This involves listening to their feedback, addressing their questions and fears, and communicating how government policies and initiatives aim to address the challenges they face.

**4. Economic Development Initiatives:** I will champion economic development initiatives that capitalize on technological trends and demographic shifts. This may involve supporting funding for research and development, promoting infrastructure projects, and fostering partnerships between government, academia, and the private sector to drive innovation and create jobs.

5. **Financial Literacy Programs:** Given the complexity of navigating financial markets in the age of chaos, I will support initiatives to improve constituents' financial literacy and investment knowledge. This could include hosting workshops, providing educational resources, and partnering with local organizations to empower constituents to make informed financial decisions.

6. **Emergency Preparedness and Resilience:** Recognizing the potential for disruptions caused by geopolitical crises or technological failures, I will advocate for measures to enhance emergency preparedness and resilience at the local and national levels. This may involve supporting funding for infrastructure upgrades, disaster response planning, and cybersecurity initiatives to safeguard critical systems and infrastructure.

By employing these strategies, I can help constituents navigate the challenges and opportunities of the "Age of Chaos," promoting economic prosperity, resilience, and stability in their communities.

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**Republicans think Democrats are foolish and naïve. Democrats think Republicans are evil and selfish.”**

*- Michael Levine, Writer, Publicist*

**I know that persuading California Democrats to vote Republican can be challenging, as they typically align with Democratic values and policies. However, issues I believe we can find common ground on include:**

1. **Economic Prosperity:** Many Republican policies focus on economic growth and job creation. I will emphasize how lower taxes, reduced regulation, and pro-business policies can stimulate the economy, leading to more opportunities for all Californians, regardless of political affiliation.

2. **Infrastructure:** Both parties recognize the need for investment in infrastructure such as roads, bridges, public transit, and broadband internet. While we may differ on the specifics of how to fund and prioritize infrastructure projects, there is general agreement that infrastructure improvement is essential for economic growth and national competitiveness.

3. **National Security:** While there may be disagreements on specific foreign policy issues, both parties generally share a commitment to national security and protecting the United States from external threats. Bipartisan support for measures to strengthen the military, combat terrorism, and address cybersecurity challenges is common.

4. **Fiscal Responsibility:** Republican leaders prioritize fiscal responsibility and efficient use of taxpayer dollars. I believe together we could lead to better stewardship of public funds.

5. **Support for Small Businesses:** Both Republicans and Democrats often express support for policies that assist small businesses, such as access to capital, regulatory relief, and workforce development initiatives. Bipartisan efforts can work to enact legislation aimed at helping small businesses thrive and create jobs.

6. **Combating the Opioid Epidemic:** Addressing the opioid epidemic is an issue that has garnered bipartisan attention and support. Both parties recognize the need for strategies to prevent opioid abuse, expand access to treatment and recovery services, and support law enforcement efforts to combat drug trafficking.

7. **Criminal Justice Reform:** Growing bipartisan support exists for criminal justice reform efforts aimed at reducing mass incarceration, addressing disparities in sentencing, promoting alternatives to incarceration for nonviolent offenders, and improving reentry programs for formerly incarcerated individuals. Witnessing rampant crime in their neighborhoods, many Democrats now see that defunding the police is not an answer.

8. **Public Safety:** I will discuss Republican initiatives aimed at improving public safety and law enforcement. I will highlight the importance of supporting law enforcement agencies and maintaining safe communities, especially in light of rising crime rates in certain areas.

9. **Education Reform:** I will advocate for Republican education policies that focus on school choice, charter schools, and accountability measures. I will stress the importance of providing parents with options for their children's education and empowering local communities to make decisions about their schools.

10. **Individual Liberty:** I will always emphasize protecting individual liberties and freedoms, such as free speech, Second Amendment rights, and limited

government intervention in personal lives. I will appeal to Californians who value personal autonomy and independence.

**11. Veterans Affairs:** Both parties generally agree on the importance of supporting veterans and improving the quality of care and services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Efforts to streamline VA operations, reduce wait times for medical appointments, and expand access to mental health services for veterans have received bipartisan support in the past.

**12. Environmental Stewardship:** I will highlight approaches to environmental conservation and stewardship that prioritize innovation, market-based solutions, and private sector involvement. I will emphasize the potential for technological advancements to address environmental challenges while also promoting economic growth.

**13. Trade Policy:** While there may be differences in approach, both parties generally agree on the importance of trade and its potential benefits for the economy. There may be bipartisan support for certain trade agreements or measures aimed at protecting American workers and businesses while promoting fair trade practices.

**14. Leadership and Accountability:** I believe competition in the political arena is healthy and can lead to better governance by holding elected officials accountable. I will encourage voters to evaluate candidates based on their qualifications, integrity, and commitment to serving the interests of all Californians.

**15. Future Technologies and Industries:** I will recommend to constituents that they learn about and monitor closely some of the technologies and industries poised to create vast wealth include: • Genomics • Personalized medicine • Virtual reality • Renewable energy • Blockchain • Quantum computing • Artificial intelligence • Autonomous vehicles • Drones • and nanotechnology.

**16. Bipartisanship and Unity:** I will encourage voters to consider the benefits of a balanced political landscape and the importance of fostering bipartisan cooperation. I will emphasize the value of diverse perspectives and the need for constructive dialogue to address complex issues facing California.

## VI. Make America Pray Again

As acclaimed futurologist, Adjiedj Baka, has observed, “all momentous changes are preceded by chaos. Changes and innovations often take place gradually, but once in a while they happen really fast. These revolutionary periods, such as the Renaissance and the Industrial Revolution, were preceded by a period of chaos. In Florence, for example, a third of the population died from the Plague in such a chaotic time, while at the same time the city became a renowned center of innovation. After that, the Renaissance began.

“Chaos (*χάος*, emptiness) in Greek mythology is the nothingness from which the first gods arose. Chaos is sometimes presented as a bottomless void where everything falls endlessly; not down, because no orientation is possible, but in all directions. Out of this vast grinding disorder eventually arose a new order.”

What will it take for Washington to truly realize things need to be better?

Just as Dante Alighieri in his 14<sup>th</sup> century epic poem, *La Divina Commedia* (*The Divine Comedy*), which is considered the pinnacle of world literature, had to be led in a dream sequence by Virgil, sent by Beatrice, through the Inferno to witness and understand the wrongs of his fellow Florentines and the world, so did I have to be led through a fictional, Hollywood imagination sequence, and in awakening, be motivated to take a hiatus from show business and to run for United States Congress.

Like Dante, in his long narrative poem written in Italian circa 1308–21, we are on a journey from chaos to the new paradise. Divided into three major sections – Inferno, Purgatorio and Paradiso - the narrative traces the journey of Dante from darkness and error to the revelation of the divine light, culminating in the Beatific Vision of God.

Dante is guided by the Roman poet Virgil who represents the epitome of human knowledge, from the dark wood through the descending circles of the pit of Hell (Inferno). Passing Lucifer at the pit’s bottom, at the dead center of the world, Dante and Virgil emerge on the beach of the island mountain of Purgatory. At the summit of Purgatory, where repentant sinners are purged of their sins, Virgil departs, having led Dante as far as human knowledge is able, to the threshold of Paradise. There Dante is met by Beatrice embodying the knowledge of divine mysteries bestowed by Grace, who leads him through the successive ascending

levels of heaven to the Empyrean, where he is allowed to glimpse, for a moment, the glory of God.

## **DEEP**

On that very same corner of Hollywood and Vine where I got out and cried the night I arrived in California; the place where I started my career as a lawyer at Capitol records only months later, there once stood a ridiculously hot nightclub that was the rage. It was called “Deep.” *Ocean’s Eleven* shot a few scenes there, as have a few other movies. On a New Year’s Eve past, my wife and I along with my brother, Marshall, celebrated the evening there with some unusual gusto. As we pulled up, Marshall said to me, “Larry, this is your old Capitol Records stomping ground.” I looked up at the round building, smiled fondly, and thought to myself:

Hollywood is more than a place; it is a state of mind. Hollywood and Vine is more than a street corner; it is a sense of personal arrival. Everyone’s state of mind and personal arrival are different. The temptations and entrapments of power, money, and fame, however, are the same. And they are formidable.

When famous, successful people fall from grace, it makes headlines. And it should. If we have to read about their professional triumphs, love lives, next blockbuster, favorite exercise machine, and miracle face creams, we should also read about their emotional breakdowns and felony charges. We learn from their good and bad behavior.

Using Hollywood Stars as role models for success may seem absurd and vapid to some people, because they think of all celebrities as self-absorbed, immoral, and shallow of character. Those critics are entitled to their opinions, but I have learned firsthand that celebrities as a group are no different in character than any other group, in that you will find a mixture of good and bad, shallow, and deep. The bad apples in their group, however, do have their bad behavior show up immediately on our social media, and they do make the 11 o’clock news more often than those in other groups.

It is true nonetheless that people who strive for accomplishments and success face more stress, meet more fear, attract more temptation, and possibly fall more publicly than others. A fall from grace can happen whether you are a Star celebrity or a Star in business, or in any occupation or pursuit. Keep in mind that you should be careful about stepping on others in your climb to success. That is not just a trite saying to make you play nice. It is a reminder that humility is only one false step away.

In my 50 plus years in Hollywood, I have seen all the vices, opportunities, trappings, and trap doors it has to offer, and I am truly blessed that they did not appeal to me as a lifestyle. Do not get me wrong. I am no saint, but I am a fairly decent guy.

So, when we entered the club, our senses were assaulted with music and colorful, flashing lights. Our VIP booth was situated directly in front of all the artsy action. This type of experience sure was not here when I first came to town, I thought. But if it had been, and if I had zagged into this lifestyle instead of zigged into Capitol Records and the future I chose, how different would things be?

My musing led me to a FICTIONAL IMAGINATION SEQUENCE of what if.

The waitress from hell walked up to us and said, “Hurry, what do you want? I ain’t got all night, and I ain’t holding the chicken between my knees for you. This is the first and last call. After this, there is no turning back. You take the popular blue pill; your imagination sequence ends; you wake up and believe whatever you want to believe. You take the red parody pill; you stay in Wonderland; and I’ll show you how deep the rabbit hole goes.”

I chose the red pill.

I immediately felt lost. The dark wood paneling that surrounded the windows, which framed the gyrating couples, mesmerized me. I needed to go to the bathroom, but I could not move from my seat. A quiet, friendly face suddenly appeared and motioned for me to follow. He relaxed me. My wife kissed me good-bye as I left the table.

“What’s going on, and who are you?” I asked.

“Not man, a man I once was, and my family noble. They buried my heart in a shallow grave, and over me they sang so softly *Amazing Grace*. I am here my brother on borrowed time to shade you from the shades, and to show you where the wood vine twines. So that you stay the true way.”

I now knew him, and he me. We embraced.

Situated right before a set of double doors that led down a flight of steps was the bathroom, which functioned as an anteroom or waiting room. We entered to find both urinals being used. As one patron turned, I recognized him as O.J. Simpson. He hurried to the washbasin and started to scrub his hands over and over. He kept looking up at me for assurance. The other patron wearing a Roman toga, quickly turned, hid his face, and when he saw that the washbasin was occupied, he rushed out to again plead his case for innocence and shoot his Pilot.



When I was relieved, we walked to the door and left O.J. in the room continuing to wash.

At the entrance to the double doors, my guide handed me dark sunglasses to wear. I put them on even though I questioned the value of the shades in light of the pitch-black darkness of the club. A bouncer guarded the entrance. He answered to the name *Baretta*. Above the doors was a brilliantly-lit Hollywood sign that frightened me. It read, “Abandon Hope, All Ye That Enter Here.”

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**Abandon Hope, All Ye That Enter Here.**

The bouncer refused our entrance. My guide spoke simply, “It was willed and what is willed must be.” He stepped aside, and we descended the stairs into the abyss.

We entered an oval-shaped bedroom with a four-poster bed with a satin red duvet cover and matching drapes. An incontinence cocktail party was in full swing. Everyone wore shades. I overheard Roman Polanski talking to Bill Clinton. Clinton was asking Polanski for a pardon so that he and Hillary could go to France. Jeffrey Epstein was playing with dolls. Michael Ovitz was all alone. Hugh Grant was comparing notes with Charlie Sheen. What the hell were they thinking? Woody Allen was playing “go fish” with Pee Wee Herman and R. Kelly, George Michael, and Oscar Wilde were playing pin the tail on the donkey.

Harvey Weinstein and Meryl Streep were having a ball dancing up a storm. They were doing the Charleston. Harvey was in his white bath robe, naked underneath. While crossing his hands back and forth over his knees, Harvey began to crap all over the floor. Meryl, quickly joined in by Harvey’s brother, Bob, began to pick up the stinky, endless mess with their bare hands. After all, he was their “god.”

Scott Rudin was whipping the bare back of his secretary who was tied to a post.

Kevin Spacey and Bill Cosby, eating Jell-O kept asking for a priest.

Everyone was dressed in black Capri pants with stiletto heels that were too small for them. Some wore expensive Covid-19 masks designed by Le Fauci; others just kept dying over and over.

Heidi Fleiss kept running around with a cell phone to her ear, trying to call out but getting no reception. She kept chanting, “Can you hear me now?” None of her girls ever answered.

Robert De Niro was standing on a soap box in a speaker’s corner shadow boxing Donald Trump, trying to punch him in the nose.

CNN's Jeff Zucker was standing very high on two stacked soap boxes in another speaker's corner dressed in an Iron Chef Israel costume speaking fervently but no words were coming out.

"What's he doing?" I asked my guide.

"It was decreed that he would speak 24-7 for eternity defending and praising President Donald J. Trump."

"Hey Ratner, can you film all this for us?" asked Ted. "We don't want it to be a Theatrical Motion Picture or a Netflix Original for us. We want it to be a Video Game. That's where the future is."

My guide watched me study the room. The weakness of will, and falling from grace through inaction of conscience, set the tone of this party that would go late into the night with the revelers praying that the girls would eventually show up.

We exited the bedroom through a trap door underneath the bed. It led us to another level. A green, cold mist permeated the air. The constant ring of a cash register could be heard. We were in the lobby of "The Camel and Needle Savings and Loan Company." There was one bank teller standing behind a glass counter counting money. He was Chinese. He pointed to a door behind him and said "Don't ask me questions. The answers you seek are locked in a blackpink box in that blockchain safe room."

Next to his station was a sign that read:

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**Hollywood is a place where people rush...  
to spend money, they don't have...  
to buy things they don't need...  
to impress people, they don't know.**

Lined up at the bank window were Bernie Madoff, Sam Bankman-Fried (new in town), Martha Stewart, Sumner Redstone, Leona Helmsley, Ivan Boesky, and former Drexel Burnham's alleged philanthropic angel, Michael Milken. They were all trying to make deposits of cash they were carrying in large, clear, plastic bags, but the teller would not accept their money. "You need bitcoin," he explained. "But we do not accept that either, thanks to Sam." The bags were being dropped.

As they broke open, money flew out. The faster they ran to grab the money, the quicker the bills floated away.

The very last customers of the day hurried in. They were Minnie and Mickey Mouse. “Mr. Iger said we should start coming here to collect our paychecks,” Mickey explained.

“We cannot give you dollars, fiat, crypto, or yuan,” answered the Savings and Loan teller. “We need our money. We have our own, big plans to finance. We are under construction now to have our Forbidden City converted into a theme park.”

Minnie quizzically looked at Mickey, “You think *Mulan* knows about this?” Mickey simply shrugged his shoulders with concern.

We left our worried, animated stars and walked through a billboard featuring an Apple iPhone77 Pro Max and left the lost to grieve their dreams.

We continued through a long, narrow bank vault. The coldness would not leave me. We unlocked safety deposit box number 523, found a key, and unlocked a heavy vault door that led us down a narrow hall to a small prison room. I opened the small hatch through which the food would be inserted and saw a room filled with vanity mirrors and full of bottled Coca-Colas.

There in solitary confinement was the self-proclaimed “King of Pop,” Michael Jackson. Holding a small monkey wearing a crown, he smiled at me, and then turned his back to stare at the wall. In his room, he had a picture of himself with Elizabeth Taylor and Liza Minelli.

The “King’s” clothes fit him very tightly. His pant legs were cut high above his white socks. His britches were too small for him, and he seemed to be getting bigger and bigger and bigger.

The “King” stood motionless, frail, and innocent. I had such a sense of sadness and sympathy for him. I began to weep.

My guide quickly reprimanded me. “Retribution is divine and righteous. You are to learn the seriousness and punishments for these actions. Do not regale those who behave not. Do not waste tears for the wrongdoers, no matter how talented and well-intended they may be.”

We escaped onto a smoky, hazed, outdoor patio that looked as if it could have been on the dark side of the moon. Even though we were on an outside patio, the smoke was heavy and would not blow out. It simply hovered over us like a heavy fog.

Tommy Chong, dressed in convict clothes was offering marijuana to Robert Downey Jr., Nick Nolte, Tommy Lee, and Bobby Brown. They kept saying, “No thank you.” Instead, they were constantly sniffing the smoke that was coming from their burning socks. They were eating 2 cold pizzas with 29 sparkling diamonds on top. I asked my guide, “Why are they eating that?” He replied, “They have to. It is their fame they are eating. Fame is the food that dead men eat.”

Richard Pryor suddenly raced into the room totally engulfed in flames and stopped to introduce a fat lady who started to sing *Auld Lang Syne*. It must be midnight. It must be New Year’s. A firetruck came screaming in to put out the fire. The firemen jumped off and started hosing Richard and the place down with muddy waters. When I looked closely at the firemen in their hard hats and suits, it hit me like a bolt of lightning. They were Jim Morrison, John Belushi, River Phoenix, Kurt Cobain, Philip Seymour Hoffman, Janis Joplin, Judy Garland, Amy Winehouse, Marilyn Monroe, and the “King of Rock and Roll” himself, Elvis Presley.

Elvis had his faithful hound dog, Felix, with him. Felix had caught the firetruck. Elvis knew sharecroppers were “important” people. Among them, he found his early songs, and hits. It is where he found Felix and met Lawdy Miss Clawdy. He had a red guitar strapped to him. He could play the blues with it. There were initials carved on the front of it. It read simply: “R.J.”

“What are the blues?” I asked Elvis.

He looked down at Felix, then, back up at me and answered, “The blues are what you sing when you’ve run out of tears.”

I slowly turned to my guide. “This is too much. It’s too sad.” “I feel the pain too deeply. I can’t watch anymore.”

“No one else is watching either, brother,” whispered my guide. “The ratings are very low.”

It began to rain, and all in front of me slowly started to fade to black.

My guide held up my face, took off my sunglasses, and gave me a pair of new glasses with progressive lenses. I could now see perfectly with 20/24 vision.

“If you do not feel, you cannot heal,” spoke my guide. “You are a divine child in exile, my brother, looking for a way home. You and what you are charged to do must first reach a Graceful Existence – it is the integration of your past, your present, and your future. Who you have seen is not who you are. The Great One has protected you from you. Who you are looking for is who that is looking. And you must stay that way, not only for you, and your work to help other people, but

also for your wife, daughter, son, constituents, and your mother, Annie, who loved the Hollywood sign and what it once stood for.

“Remember to always find the good in people and to praise it. We all love you, my brother.”

And the descendant of the nobles was gone.

“Larry, where have you been?” my wife asked. “We’ve been looking everywhere for you. You won’t believe who all is here.”

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Different things awaken different people to different issues. What will wake Washington, D.C. to all of the chaos to which they are contributing?

I hope this political Manifesto helps awaken our nation to a need for Divine Intervention.

I am not suggesting in any way that our government get involved with our spiritual lives. I am simply suggesting to people directly to reach out to their chosen higher power or spiritual guides for deep reflection, enlightenment, and gentle peace and ask them to ventilate into the world God’s tenderness in order to shape it into the form of God’s heart.

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**Thinking of voting  
democratic again? How  
has that been working out  
for you?**

Reader,

I am not running for President of the United States.  
I am simply running for Congress of CA 32 to keep the States United.

I am not asking you to change your political party.  
I am asking you to change your vote...  
Just in this specific Congressional race in California.

And if you are politically homeless, join me.

I need you all to tune into our shared reality, not your party's platforms.

I want to help avoid a Civil War.

Now, the choice is yours.

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**I'm not suggesting you  
change your party; I am  
just asking you to change  
your vote in this specific  
Congressional race.**

**And if you do not have time to read,  
here is a quick summary**

**We find ourselves living in an Age of Chaos which is defined by “Food prices, gas prices, housing prices, unemployment, high taxes, border crisis, fentanyl, indoctrination of children, loss of parental rights, uncertain reproductive rights, rampant crime, the homeless, political uncertainty, devaluation of the dollar, plus Russia, China, Iran, and Anti-Semitism on the move has everyone frozen with fear” and caused by the confluence of three megatrends: Exponential technological progress, Mass debasement of the dollar, and Deglobalization.**

**I predict we are one Presidential Election away from a Civil War.**

**Even though Biden has won the nomination, I believe the party will replace him with Gavin Newsom.**

**Conservatives think liberals are foolish and naïve. Liberals think conservatives are evil and selfish.**

**The Republicans fear the Californication of America.**

**The Democrats fear a Dictator - Donald J. Trump.**

**I am the right congressional candidate for California Congress CA 32. I ask that Republicans, Democrats, and the Politically Homeless Vote For Me.**

**Pray that with Common Sense and Common Civility we all find Common Ground to solve our Common Issues AND AVOID A CIVIL WAR.**

Oh, and by the way, my Congressional website is:

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And my corporate website is <https://www.LarryThompsonOrg.com>