By Continuing to Blame Trump, Democrats Have Only Made Him Stronger

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For Democrats, blaming former President Trump for the nation’s many problems has no statute of limitations. They blamed Trump whenever possible during his term and continue to do so today. This is a losing strategy for the Democrats. By focusing on Trump, rather than the nation’s many problems, they have kept the former president in the spotlight and have only made him stronger.

The problem that Democrats are currently facing is crystal clear. The nation is in complete disarray due to the Democrats’ extreme and far-left policies. As a result, Democrats have nothing to sell to the American public. They cannot point to a single achievement/accomplishment by the current administration that has or will help most Americans. Rather than blaming themselves and trying to fix the nation’s many problems, they consistently blame Trump. Just recently, in response to the Democrats’ abysmal election results in Virginia and elsewhere, White house Chief of Staff Ron Klain was quoted as saying:

I understand that voters are frustrated. We inherited a mess from Donald Trump. We inherited 4,000 people a day dying from COVID, only 50,000 jobs being created a month, giant supply chain problems, all these problems.
I’m proud of the progress we’ve made in these ten months. But I totally respect the view of the voters that we haven’t made enough progress yet. We haven’t gotten enough done yet. COVID is down by 75% from when we came here, but it’s not all the way. So I think we voted for saying on Tuesday was you know what, not enough yet, and we need to do more, and that’s what we’re doing. Again, starting next Monday, signing the infrastructure bill, working with the House to pass the Build Back Better Plan which will help bring down inflation, bring down the cost of living, bring down people’s expenses.

By keeping Trump in the spotlight, Democrats have made a grave error. In the past, Democrats relied on the anti-Trump sentiment to garner votes. However, there is a strong possibility that the anti-Trump sentiment will fade or take a back seat as the country continues to spiral out of control.

Despite the unjustified disdain that some Americans had toward Trump leading up to the 2020 elections, Americans are not stupid, no matter how much Democrats in Congress think they are. At the end of the day, Americans care most about the economy, jobs, the ability to take care of their families, and security at home. According to a recent article in Roll Call:

An Oct. 13-14 Ipsos poll asked people about “the most important problem facing the U.S. today?” Twenty-one percent said the economy, unemployment and jobs. Next came public health at 13 percent, immigration at 9 percent and climate change at 8 percent.

An Oct. 15-18 Quinnipiac poll came up with similar results: Eighteen percent said the economy was the most urgent issue facing the country, 16 percent said COVID-19, 15 percent immigration, 9 percent health care and 8 percent climate.

Biden and the Democrat-led Congress have completely ignored these concerns and have pursued policies that have seriously hurt Americans. For example, annual inflation recently hit a 30-year high. Also, as reported by The Hill, “Energy prices rose a staggering 4.8 percent in October, led by a 1.6 percent increase in gasoline prices, while food prices rose 0.9 percent.” Supplies at various stores and supermarkets throughout the country are also limited.

Additionally, Biden and most of his left-wing colleagues want to pass the Build Back Better bill, which many, including Democratic Senator Joe Manchin, say would cripple the economy and worsen long-term inflation. As reported by Newsweek, Manchin issued a tweet where he stated that, “By all accounts, the threat posed by record inflation to the American people is not ‘transitory’ and is instead getting worse. From the grocery store to the gas pump, Americans know the inflation tax is real and DC can no longer ignore the economic pain Americans feel every day.” Manchin also issued a statement, where he noted:

Throughout the last three months, I have been straightforward about my concerns that I will not support a reconciliation package that expands social programs and irresponsibly adds to our nearly $29 trillion in national debt that no one else seems to care about. Nor will I support a package that risks hurting American families suffering from historic inflation.

Biden’s economic policies are hurting, and will continue to hurt, Americans. They revolve around
irresponsible and unsustainable spending, the creation of more debt, higher taxes, and high inflation (among other things). As Laura Ingraham recently and correctly noted on The Ingraham Angle:

Families understand that because of Biden’s energy policies, they could be forced to choose between heating their homes or feeding their kids this winter. They feel less hopeful and they feel less safe ... not just in urban America, but in the suburbs as well.

Suburban voters aren’t stupid, rural voters aren’t stupid and urban voters aren’t stupid. But Democrats keep treating them as if they are.

While Americans are rightfully concerned about the economy, rising prices, and limited supplies, Biden’s other policies threaten other aspects of their daily lives. For example, America is much less secure/safe than it was during Trump’s presidency. This is primarily due to Biden’s consistent acts of appeasement toward America’s adversaries, his terrible foreign policy, his open-door policy allowing unvetted illegal immigrants to enter the United States, his poor handling of the COVID crisis, his disastrous withdrawal from Afghanistan that gave power and control to the Taliban and resulted in the deaths of American service members, his weakness with Russia and China, and his desire to re-enter the Iran nuclear deal at the expense of America’s biggest ally in the region, Israel.

Biden and many of his left-wing colleagues also want to control Americans’ daily lives by virtue of mandates, punishments, penalties, “federally-controlled” elections by virtue of bills such as the Voting Rights Act, and the systematic elimination or erosion of various constitutional rights, including, but not limited to, the First and Second Amendments.

Americans are currently living through a period where the president and the Democrat-controlled Congress stand for economic instability, higher taxes, open borders, dangers at home and abroad, and a federal government that seeks unfettered power and control.

Despite these many problems, Democrats remain fixated on Trump and continue to blame him in hopes that they can convince enough anti-Trumpers to overlook the Left’s terrible policies and their devastating impact on many Americans. The question is whether Americans will fall for this ruse a second time. While the answer to this question is unpredictable, and assuming that Trump decides to run for president again, there is one major difference between then and now. When Trump was president, and especially pre-COVID, most Americans were not struggling like they are today. The economy was strong, inflation was low, immigration was in much better shape, and America was safe. Therefore, America was in very good shape overall.

Sadly, with the Biden administration and the Democrat-controlled Congress, those days are long gone. Many Americans are struggling, and Democrats are not doing anything to help their cause. Rather, they are focusing on Trump. The only problem with this is that, during Trump’s presidency, most (if not all) of these major problems did not exist. As a matter of fact, a list of Trump’s many accomplishments during his first year alone can be found here. This includes eradicating the Affordable Care Act and repealing the individual mandate, passing and signing comprehensive tax reform, implementing policies that led to a reduction in illegal immigration, cancelling the terrible Iran nuclear deal, and implementing policies that resulted in a strong economy, continued economic growth, and lower unemployment.

Therefore, Democrats are pointing fingers at a former president who brought Americans economic
success, job security, freedom, and the opportunity to live the American dream. In doing so, they could very well be strengthening his image and clout with many American voters, many of whom are struggling and who have simply had enough of Biden’s policies.

Ultimately, if Trump decides to run in 2024, and if Democrats continue down this path of destruction (depending, of course, on what happens in 2022), American voters will have to decide what is more important to them: voting for someone whom they might dislike but who will protect their ability to live the American dream freely, or voting for continued economic hardship, high taxes, supply shortages, and a lack of security at home and abroad.