Trump Opponents Should Focus on Empathy, Stability

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The most salient news emerging from Tuesday’s six primaries was the continued trend of large numbers of Democrats casting ballots and their anger toward — as well as rebuke of — the behavior of the 45th president (“Biden rolls to key win in Michigan,” March 11). The results were a clear and forceful response to Donald Trump.

Unlike 2016, Democratic primary voters, especially in Michigan (a state Trump won by a handful of votes in the 2016 general election), were highly motivated and took Trump seriously. This may be a good indicator of what will transpire in November.

Political strategist James Carville is on the mark, suggesting that it’s time for the Democratic Party to stop quarreling among themselves, uniting and pivoting to the general election. I concur with David Axelrod, former senior adviser to President Obama: The focus of the Democratic campaign should be on empathy, humanity, decency and compassion — the biggest Trump deficits and liabilities.

In view of the crises faced by the nation, most recently the coronavirus threat, Americans are looking for stability, rationality, a steady hand and a return to normalcy. Tuesday’s exit polls revealed that Vice President Joe Biden was perceived by voters to be the best able to...
handle a national crisis. Therefore, he may be the perfect contrast to the incumbent President.

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