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“Trump’s Campaign Rhetoric Perpetuates an Unsustainable Republican Voting Demographic”

Many will be pleased and others disappointed by the outcome of Tuesday’s 2018 elections. In view of the electoral results, which saw Democrats garner ten million more votes than Republicans, we must be cognizant of a more significant phenomenon: the emerging realignment of the nation’s political parties.

President Trump has done much to perpetuate this during his tenure in the White House and especially because of his 2018 election rhetoric. As a result, the Republican leadership soon may be forced to realize that their concern for immediate policy gains and other short term "goodies"—which has kept them from standing up to and calling out the President—will cost them substantially and irreparably in the future. As many pollsters and informed political observers note, Trump (who has taken over the Republican party) and those who support him are trading white collar for blue collar, rural for urban and suburban, older for younger, men for women, uneducated for educated, white for minority, fearful for hopeful, and xenophobic for tolerant.

This locks Republicans into a voting demographic that simply is not sustainable given their shrinking percentage of eligible voters. Put bluntly, how one governs and the election tactics they employ have long term consequences.

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