

# Climate change is real

Godfrey Garner made important points about giving President-elect Donald Trump a chance for the country's sake. A man, like Trump, with terribly thin skin, won't respond well to protests or insults. Although we don't have to like him, out of love for country, children and grandchildren, we had better find a way to work with him. For the majority of Americans who are concerned about the serious effects of climate change in our children and grandchildren's future, it may seem impossible to work with a man who appointed a promoter of climate change denying lies to head up EPA transitions.

But as Garner wrote: "if you love the country or at the very least if you are not too selfish to want a country with a future for your children, you may want to swallow a bit of your ill-placed pride . . . and see if you can bring yourself to pitch in and offer solutions."

Many Americans have done exactly that since the election—thongs have joined Citizens' Climate Lobby in the last couple of weeks in order to demonstrate through standard, official channels that the public knows that climate change is not a hoax, the public trusts the EPA more than Congress, and climate change needs emissions-reducing legislation from Washington. In private, many Congressional Republicans know we need climate legislation—let them give President Trump the huge fame and international honor of signing the best of all possible climate bills.

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