

Hawking Paris

Stephen Hawking is a smart, well-educated scientist, but he's wrong if he thinks that warning about Earth becoming like Venus could convince Trump to take climate change seriously ("Hawking: Trump pulling out of climate deal could turn Earth into Venus," June 5).

Not even stately Rex Tillerson, nor financial wizard Gary Cohn, nor fair Ivanka, could convince Trump not to burn Paris. Hawking would have a better chance of winning this noble battle, if he started with easier targets and more reasonable arguments.

So far, 23 House Republicans joined the House Climate Solutions Caucus. If 24 Republicans vote with 194 Democrats, they could pass sensible climate amendments to legislation. Six Republican representatives from NY already joined. Hawking and readers should urge Rep. Daniel Donovan to be the lucky No. 7.

Forget Venus: if sea levels rise 15 feet this century, what will your district look like?

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