

Wednesday letters: Remembering George Mitchell

Visionary

Thank you for printing a collection of George Mitchell's writings. In particular I was moved by his comments on climate change. More than 15 years ago, when most of us were unaware of climate change, Mitchell called for precautions to be taken to mitigate the problem, even if the evidence on climate change was still inconclusive. He counseled us to avoid causing irreversible environmental damage.

If Houstonians want to honor Mitchell's memory, let them ask Sens. John Cornyn and Ted Cruz to echo Mitchell's cautionary words and advocate for a revenue-neutral carbon tax. The tax will make new investments in renewables more profitable compared to fossil fuel investments, thus encouraging investors and energy companies to promote the rapid development of renewable energy.

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