## Biden stepping down is the perfect strategy...to lose.

With a campaign fueled by revenge and the promise of becoming a dictator for one day, it is obvious why democrats fear another Trump term. And in the wake of that disastrous debate, it is clear why some have grown wary of Biden. But I have a question.

Who?

If not Biden, then who? Who in the democratic party can stand up to Trump? Who can unify the left, appeal to undecideds, convert independents, and flip republicans, all within 100+ days?

Are you telling me it's Kamala Harris? In a country that rejected Hillary Clinton <u>twice</u>? In a country at perpetual war with <u>critical race theory</u>? In a country whose Supreme Court, only two years ago, <u>repealed Roe v. Wade</u>, a woman's inalienable right to choice?

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The 30+ lawmakers who many Americans wouldn't know save for their public dissent? How about the 2020 candidates a/k/a the people Biden already beat? Perhaps George Clooney could throw his hat in the ring since he's so knowledgeable on winning elections and running a country. (Let's hear his plans for reducing carbon footprints.) Who, democrats? Who can do what Biden already did? And why does it matter?

An incumbent president withdrawing from an election is a <u>strategy that always fails</u>. Additionally, incumbent presidents who fight their party for the nomination tend to lose.

When LBJ withdrew in 1968, the democrats lost the white house. Gerald Ford fought to hold his nomination, but after being undercut by constituents he lost to Jimmy Carter in 1976. In 1980, after winning the same fight, Jimmy Carter lost the election to Reagan. And then there was George H.W. Bush, who fought as hard as anybody only to get blown out by Bill Clinton in 1992.

All of these presidents fought a war on two fronts: one against their opponent; the second against their party. It. Just. Doesn't. Work.

Unity wins elections, disjointedness loses them. What the lawmakers and Clooney propose is a strategy of disjointedness, a strategy that fails 100% of the time. What then has succeeded 100% of the time? Biden vs. Trump.

Let's not forget 2020. A time when concerns over Biden's age were rapidly mounting. The "Sleepy Joe" moniker stuck and his gaffes did little to alleviate public concern. On top of that, Tara Reade and numerous calls for Biden to withdraw from the primaries. But Biden didn't withdraw. And guess what? <u>Biden. Still. Won.</u> And this was not a case of Biden capitalizing on republican disjointedness. No, the only person to do that was Trump. That's how he won in 2016. <u>Remember</u>?

And while many in Trump's cabinet resigned during his term, few worked to oppose him. Instead, republicans championed president through gaffes, controversies, and even <u>impeachments</u>. And when it came time for reelection, none of them <u>provoked a significant challenge</u>. In fact, if January 6<sup>th</sup> proves anything it's that Trump's support was <u>stronger than ever</u>. And guess what? <u>Biden. Still. Won.</u> Democrats don't have to riot to win an election, they just need to think.

The last leg of a race is not the time for a sub, not if the goal is to win. If democrats want to prevent a second Trump term, then they must rally behind the person who beat him. Working against Biden is equivalent to running towards Trump.

Say a new nominee were to be named. This person would have to unify the democrats, satisfy those who never wanted Biden to leave, help the undecideds decide who they want, attract independents, and flip republicans seeking a change. And, on top of all of that, this unicorn candidate would still have to topple a <u>near martyred Trump</u>.

It is too much. Democrats ask the impossible of a candidate that does not exist. Who is this new person? Where have they been? If this is the path democrats choose, then the American public will pay for their folly because Trump will win once again.

Biden needs our support now more than ever. <u>We must unify</u>. Otherwise, we are doomed to fail and will only have ourselves to blame. Biden's age? Questions aimed at his competency? Criticisms of his fumbling of words? <u>These are all Trump's points</u>, but one could almost forget that fact given how fervently democrats now push these ideas.

I thought Trump was the bad guy, a bully one should <u>always ignore</u>. I thought Trump was a projector who was <u>guilty of the faults he pointed out in others</u>. I thought Trump was a liar—a wannabe dictator—and that four more years under him was the <u>worst case scenario</u>. How is it then that the people who seek to reject Trump are the same ones doing his bidding? Why are we doing his job for him?

Yes, the June debate was a disaster, for everyone. Yes, Biden is old. So is Trump. Yes, Trump has 34 felonies. Biden has none. But somehow Trump is uplifted while Biden's own people conspire against him.

We've lost sight of Biden. We've forgotten that he was the only person to put Trump in second place. We must remember that Biden does things the right way. He won without having to stoop. He won based on his character. He won because we stood with him. Biden. Still. Won.

We. Still. Won. And we can do it again. We just have to try.