## **Republican Betrayal**

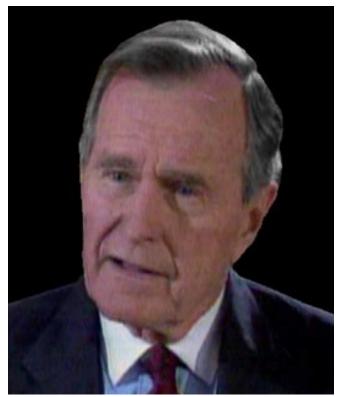
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On October 18th, 22 ostensibly "*Republican*" members of the House voted against Jim Jordan (R-OH-4) for Speaker of the House, despite Jim Jordan being the toughest and hardest-working Republican House member in 70 years. There's only one explanation for their betrayal of this decent and honorable man: those who refused to support him have sold their souls to the Republican "*Donor Class.*"

The term *Donor Class* refers to wealthy or powerful elites who possess far greater power and influence than the remainder of their fellow Americans. Although its members are usually dilettantes, they often act behind the scenes to shape public policy, usually for their personal benefit. While America has been betrayed by our wealthy elite for decades, it's the *GOP's Donor Class* that most directly betrays conservative principles, because it has the most influence on the careers of the Republican leadership.

Our *Donor Class* is united in its efforts to control the GOP, and enrich itself by advancing a "*globalist*" strategy that includes pointless foreign interventionism and expansive China trade. This is true even where its efforts primarily benefit our mortal enemies like communist China and Iran. These objectives conflict with the interests of most Americans, for whom the principle of "*popular sovereignty*" leaves no room for a self-anointed and self-dealing *aristocracy*.

The routine betrayal of conservative and Republican principles by some in the GOP is nothing new. Many GOP candidates who campaigned for office as "*conservatives*" almost immediately began to betray us the day they arrived in Washington. Former Congresswoman Mia Love (Quisling-UT-04) comes immediately to mind. Likewise, when George H. W. Bush assumed the presidency in January of 1989, he immediately betrayed his supporters by repudiating his year-long campaign pledge not to raise taxes. ("*Read my lips: no new taxes!*") This is the reason so many conservative Republican voters are chronically angry and frustrated: they often feel betrayed by those they helped elect to office.



"I lied: I'm raising your taxes."

It's no great secret that the influence of America's *Donor Class* has converted many otherwise sincere and principled Republicans into castrated and traitorous quislings, who routinely betray their constituents, their state, their party and the Constitution, while greedily feathering their own nests. As the old cliché suggests, one need only "*follow the money*." Congressional salaries are not generous compared to equivalent positions of responsibility found in the private sector, which makes it easy for the Donor Class to seduce unprincipled Republican officeholders with what basically amounts to bribery. Contributions by the very wealthy to the campaigns of Senate and House Members dwarf the average Republican individual campaign contribution. Whenever the *Donor Class* maximizes campaign contributions to a given candidate in either primary or general elections, the result is often the equivalent of months of fundraising efforts among individual donors. However, rarely are such campaign contributions made without PRECONDITIONS, which usually consist of specific votes *in committee* or on the floor of the House or Senate.

Beyond Congressional perks such as their immunity from "*insider-trading*" in the stock market -- and their congressional pension fund that exempts them from *Social Security* -- those elected to Congress cannot fail to recognize the vast opportunities awaiting them once they retire their Congressional seat. Those opportunities can be extremely lucrative and rarely involve much *heavy-lifting*. Seats on a *FORTUNE* 500 *Board-of-Directors* sometimes pay more per year than their previous Congressional salary, and can often involve additional, large financial "*incentives*" *merely for attending board meetings* !

Such plums are *ONLY* offered to "*team-players*" such as the 22 who voted against Jim Jordan, or traitors like Liz Cheney or Adam Kinzinger, who were willing to do the bidding of the Donor Class on the *January 6 Committee*. They are *RARELY* offered to those who "*rock the boat*," such as Matt Gaetz (R-FL-01) or Jim Jordan. They are also *NEVER* offered to principled House Members, such as the brave and courageous folks on the GOP's *House Freedom Caucus*.

Campaign contributions by *Donor Class* Republicans act like a *governor* on a vehicle, a braking device that prevents it from gaining much speed. Whatever their individual motives may be, the *Donor Class* works aggressively behind the scenes to ensure that conservative men and women of principle are *NEVER PERMITTED TO LEAD THE REPUBLICAN PARTY*. That's why it wants a milquetoast like Kevin McCarthy returned

as Speaker, and why it has seduced these 22 fools into supporting anyone else but Jordan. The *Donor Class* is naturally suspicious of independently-minded men and women who possess honor and integrity.

That's also why -- in truly Machiavellian fashion -- the *Donor Class* has repeatedly used its power and influence to ensure that the GOP is led by mediocrities who muzzle our conservative enthusiasms and stifle conservative reforms that **SHOULD** have become law decades ago. Obvious examples would be the elevation of a mediocrity like John Boehner or a devious traitor like Paul Ryan to *Speaker of the House*. That's also why it forced out Newt Gingrich from Speaker in 1999, only five years after he personally orchestrated the first House Republican Majority since 1952, and gave us three years of balanced federal budgets.



John Boehner (R-Golfer)

Paul Ryan (R-Traitor)

For many decades, wealthy elites have misguided both America's domestic and foreign policy by manipulating Republican office-holders with their influence and financial resources as leverage. The GOP *Donor* 

*Class* has routinely stifled conservative reforms and solutions, and in the process, they have done grave harm to both the Constitution and to the fabric of our political and cultural institutions. Our growing **\$33.6 Trillion** *National Debt* should be all the evidence one needs to recognize this reality.

Bluntly stated, the *Donor Class* has made a hash out of just about every policy that bears its influence. However, the one thing our *Donor Class* has actually done well is to insulate itself from the ravages of its own failed policies. After all, the children of our *Donor Class* need never compete with immigrants for employment or academic opportunities. Likewise, our *Donor Class* would never consider living near the squalid barrios their immigration policies have created here in the U.S. They also know that their offspring will never need one of those manufacturing jobs they helped *"outsource"* to China.

More than anything, the election of Donald Trump in 2016 was a repudiation of the flawed 50-year treasonous *"leadership"* of our self-anointed *Donor Class*. That's why the Republican *Donor Class* worked so hard to defeat him and then later attempted to destroy him. In the process they have come very close to destroying the very soul of America under the guise of promoting their greedy, twisted and narrow self-interests.