

Orange County Republican Party
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An Open Letter to the Leaders of Hillsborough, Chapel Hill, Carrboro, and Orange County who published an open letter to Orange County Residents regarding the recent election. What a smorgasbord of politically correct BS!

Was this letter necessary? Absolutely not. It flames the fire of unrest. It is in keeping with the Churches and universities that are providing special prayer counseling, safe spaces, pacifiers, snacks, tissues, and other ridiculous items for comfort to groups of immature students and adults who can't accept the results of an election. Would the leaders have written this letter if the election was won by presidential candidate Hillary Clinton? No.

You do not acknowledge that throughout our history, elections have been contentious, divisive, and even violent. Perhaps you should take time to study past presidential elections.

In the letter, you outline all the core values you hold so dearly; you fail to acknowledge that many of the citizens of Orange County do not share these same core values. The citizens who voted for President-Elect Trump have different core values.

We believe in a sovereign nation, not one with open borders, and we appreciate legal immigrants who have helped build this great nation.

We support health care for citizens through an open marketplace, for coverage of necessary illnesses or preventive care, not mandatory coverage of unnecessary items and other outrageous provisions of the ACA, which is not affordable.

We support all rights provided in the U.S. Bills of Rights, including the 2nd Amendment. These rights were so important to Orange County that when the Constitutional Convention met in Hillsborough in 1788 the delegates voted not to ratify the Constitution for lack of a bill of rights.

We believe everyone should feel safe in the communities, without singling out certain groups for special recognition or treatment. We stand against bullying and harassment and assault for any reason, be it political party affiliation, religious belief, and zip code.

To this point, we ask these elected leaders where was your outrage when the OCGOP headquarters was fire-bombed and destroyed the night of October 15? Yes, the Town Board issued a press release stating vandalism was unacceptable. Except, this wasn't vandalism; this was political terrorism. To ensure safety, OCGOP paid the Hillsborough Police Department for three days of round-the-clock protection.

We ask these leaders where is your outrage about the riotous behavior in the large cities that is destroying property and people's livelihood? Do you condone this behavior? This is harassment of the highest order.

To the leaders who published this open letter, we compared what President Barack Obama said to the GOP after his election, "I Won." to what President-Elect Donald Trump said, "I pledge to every citizen of our land that I will be president for all Americans." Which is inclusive? We submit that it is demeaning to the many citizens of Orange County who voted for President-elect Donald Trump. We hold our head high in our victory at the polls on November 8, and plan to work diligently to Make America Great Again.

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