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Pledge News: Books by Kuttner, Harris

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News on the Pledge to Fight for Good Jobs, Sustainable Prosperity, and Economic Justice—And Its Signers

You are getting this email because you are one of 10,000 activists who signed the Pledge to Fight for Good Jobs, Sustainable Prosperity, and Economic Justice.

Please spread the word to ask others to sign! And check out the new [Organizing Resources](#).

The Hill covered the Pledge on May 6th:

Dems face pressure to focus on the economy, not Trump

A pretty good article, even if the headline writer missed our message. It's Resist Trump AND Focus on the Economy.

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– <i>With Focus on Communities Harmed by Racism</i> 5. <i>Guarantee Women's Economic Equality</i> 6. <i>High-Quality Public Education – Pre-K to University</i> 7. <i>Medicare for All – And Shared Economic Security</i> 8. <i>Make Corporations and Wealthy Pay Their Fair Share</i> 9. <i>A Global Economic Strategy for Working People</i> 10. <i>Close Wall Street's Casino</i> 11. <i>Rescue Democracy from the Special Interests</i> |
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Today we give you two important books, the first of which addresses:
9. A Global Economic Strategy for Working People

Robert Kuttner, editor of *The American Prospect*, has a great new book out:

Can Democracy Survive Global Capitalism?

In the past few decades, the wages of most workers have stagnated, even as productivity increased.

Social supports have been cut, while corporations have achieved record profits. Downward mobility has produced political backlash.

What's going on? Can Democracy Survive Global Capitalism? Kuttner argues that, while trade and technology have harmed workers' prospects, global capitalism is to blame. By limiting workers' rights, liberating bankers, allowing corporations to evade taxation, and preventing nations from assuring economic security, raw capitalism strikes at the very foundation of a healthy democracy. *Read a serious review: [The New Yorker: Is Capitalism a Threat to Democracy?](#) By Caleb Crain*

Kuttner also got a good hearing on MSNBC's Morning Joe. 9:27 AM 5/16/2018

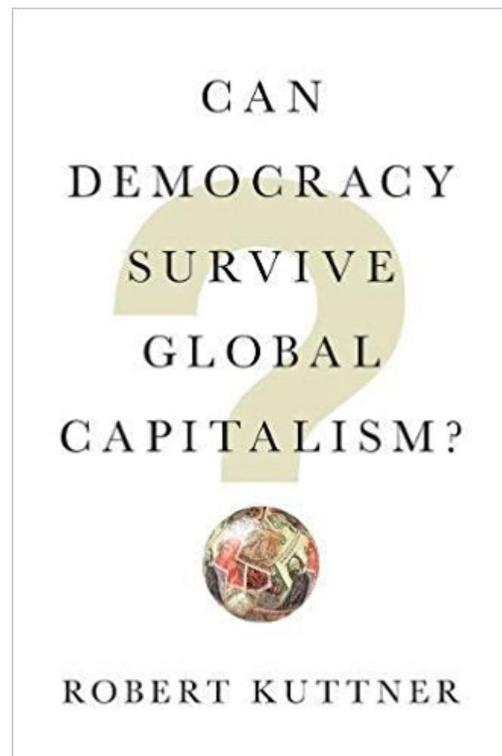
To win, Dems need to take back Trump's

slogan: Author Robert Kuttner returns to Morning Joe to discuss



why Democrats failed to adequately respond to the rise of Donald Trump in the 2016 election, how Dems have lost credibility with working Americans and how they can get it back.

[Norton](#), [Amazon](#), [Powells Books](#)



Pledge signer, Sen. Fred Harris, joined with Alan Curtis to republish *The Kerner Report*, which advanced important—and largely ignored—proposals relevant to: **4.Opportunity and Justice for All – With Focus on Communities Harmed by Racism**

Healing Our Divided Society: Investing in America Fifty Years after the Kerner Report

Following the terrible summer of 1967 disorders in 1968, the Kerner Commission concluded that America was heading toward "two societies, one black, one white--separate and unequal." Today, America's communities are experiencing increasing racial tensions and inequality, working-class resentment over the unfulfilled American Dream, white supremacy violence, toxic inaction in Washington, and the decline of the nation's example around the world.

In *Healing Our Divided Society*, Fred Harris, the last surviving member of the Kerner Commission, along with Eisenhower Foundation CEO Alan Curtis, re-examine fifty years later the work still necessary towards the goals set forth in *The Kerner Report*. This timely volume unites the interests of minorities and white working- and middle-class Americans to propose a strategy to reduce poverty, inequality, and

racial injustice. Reflecting on America's urban climate today, this new report sets forth evidence-based policies concerning employment, education, housing, neighborhood development, and criminal justice based on what has been proven to work--and not work.

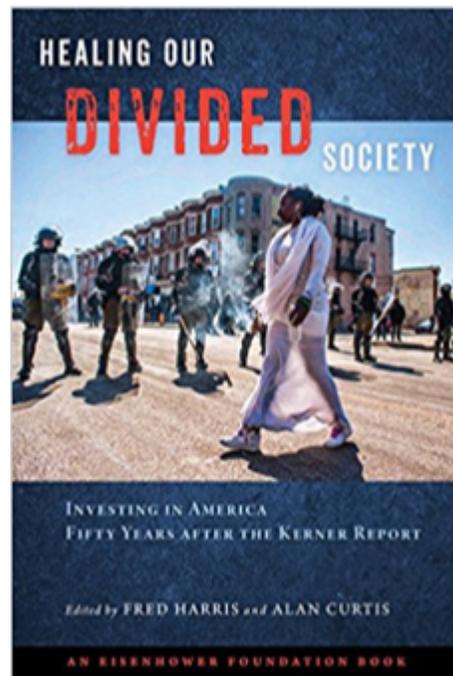
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Thanks for all your good work! Will be back in touch soon with more.

All my best,



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