

Here Comes the Coffee Party

America seems determined to be a two-party country, and since the traditional Republican Party has been overtaken by the Tea Party, it may be time for the Coffee Party to replace the ineffectual Democratic Party.

What is the Coffee Party? It is a party representing all those who think America should face the realities of the 21st century. This means it discards the foolishness of the Tea Party, and is as different from them as coffee is from tea.

Tea as a symbol of a political party suggests watered and filtered leaves, a thin distillation whose main purpose is to lull drinkers into a calm and flavored sleep, thereby avoiding the pressing realities of a world in crisis. Tea is a party looking back hundred of years to tax protesters wearing tri-cornered hats as models for running the world's largest economy. Tea denies science, economics, and reality as it demands the government get out of their Medicare.

The Coffee Party takes its name from a strong brew whose function is to help people wake up and deal with daily realities, whose effect is increased alertness, and whose supporters are a true majority of America's voters. Instead of the Tea Party's weak strain of homegrown white supporters, the Coffee Party includes all kinds of people, including multiple shades of brown, originating from all continents.

When the Coffee Party's constituency inevitably organizes itself, it can be expected to generate a platform that contradicts the current platitudes bleated in Congress and on television. Whenever people slap their heads in amazement and consternation upon hearing the latest idiotic statements from Tea Party partisans in Congress, an appropriate remediating response will immediately spring to mind for incorporation into the Coffee Party platform.

Although the Coffee Party is not yet constituted, once its likely supporters recognize this opportunity to join voices and votes to oppose the Tea Party and advance the country into the 21st century, local organizers will appear and carry the movement forward. Soon petition drives will qualify the Coffee Party on every ballot in every state, and allow Coffee Party citizens to displace ineffective representatives at every level.

Message to America: Wake up -- it's Coffee Party time.

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When the Coffee Party's inevitable constituency organizes itself, it can be expected to include the following positions in its platform:

- Education is important, especially for young children.
- Science knows more than any politician:
 - Global warming is real and must be addressed
 - The earth was not created 6,000 years ago
 - Dinosaurs and cavemen did not co-exist
- The constitution is very clear about the separation of church and state.
- Women must be in control of their bodies.
- The United States must repair its failing infrastructure.
- Spending more money on our military than all other countries combined is absurd.
- Alternate energy is a smart investment.
- Congress must act like adults and negotiate to solve current problems.
- No company is too big to fail; no executive is immune from accountability.
- Corporations are not people.
- There is too much money and time wasted during our political process.
- The extent of homelessness, malnourishment and poverty in America is a shameful national disgrace.
- Our patent system is broken.
- and so on.