

So, the former President of the United States has now abandoned any belief in the Constitution of the country. His actions, of course, have made this clear for several years, but he had not articulated it fully and in unequivocal words until this past week. None of this surprises most of us, of course. It was obvious when he sowed the seeds for the insurrection on January 6, 2021 long before he fanned the flames of that uprising. His entire history has been well documented by many writers and most recently, by Bob Woodward in his books and Maggie Haberman in her new book, *Confidence Man*. I can't believe that most Americans of average intelligence don't see this. Even horses with blinders on can see straight in front of them, and this unforgivable behavior by the former President has been taking place in broad daylight, straight out in front of the American people.

There is nothing to say about this man. It has all been said. What needs to be said is to the enablers, both those in Congress and in certain segments of the media, but first and foremost, to those people around us who have chosen to accept and condone this behavior.

And, maybe something has to be said to those of us who do not accept this behavior. Just maybe, we have to be told that we cannot be silent, if that has been our way of disavowing these actions. I don't see many people, and I have no way of knowing how many of the folks "out there" are reading these little essays that mostly center on life here on Coe Creek.

But, if you are reading this and you are still supporting this wannabe regime that would gladly end your participation in a free country and establish a Putin-like dictatorship, well, shame on you! And, if you still let those signs for this former President who wants to be our Fascist in Chief stand on your lawn and fly flags supporting him in your yards, I can only conclude that somewhere along the way you have lost any kind of moral compass and that you have not even the most basic knowledge of what it means to live in a democracy.

But, if you are more concerned about what might be on Hunter Biden's laptop than about a former President disavowing the United States Constitution, then perhaps you are a lost cause. We can only hope you don't take the country and the rest of us down with you.