I am one of those cat ladies that Trump's VP choice doesn't think should have as much to say about our government as people who have children— people like him, of course. If there were political power based on what we do with our lives, I think I deserve fully as much as he does. I have refrained from contributing to overpopulation, Runo and I raise nearly all of our own food, saving fossil fuel, road surfaces, and packaging, among other benefits of sustainable living. We vote, we try to inform ourselves about the issues that affect the country and the world. We treat our fellow immigrants with respect —for we are all basically newcomers to this country if we are not from one of the First Nations.

I know how government is supposed to work. I am not sure Senator Vance has much insight into that process in spite of being in the U.S. Senate. If he really understood the system that has provided the framework for governing a country with the diversity and size of the U.S.A. for two and a half centuries, he would show that by: 1. Refusing to be on the same ticket as a person who fomented an insurrection; 2. Refusing to give support to a felon running for the highest office in the country; 3. Supporting the idea of one person, one vote—and that would include us childless "cat ladies;" and 4. Exhibiting fealty to the Constitution and the country, not to a sociopathic criminal who is running for President to stay out of prison.

So far, Senator Vance, we cat ladies can vote. And we are not voting for Donald Trump and you.