Trump: not the last person I’d pick for Oval Office

COMMENTARY

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Since announcing his candidacy, Donald Trump has gotten an unprecedented amount of attention from the media, American people, and, in all likelihood, some extraterrestrial life. People either love his “tell it like it is” attitude or slam him for his hate speech and xenophobic “solutions.”

While I do not believe Donald Trump can, or will, “Make America Great Again,” he is not the last person I would want to see in the Oval Office.

 Were it to come down to Donald Trump or Ted Cruz as the next President of the United States I would pick Trump faster than you can say toupee. And here’s why:

Planned Parenthood

Annihilating women’s reproductive rights is one of Cruz’s top priorities. He is for defunding Planned Parenthood and is staunchly pro-life. He doesn’t believe in exceptions in the case of rape or incest and considers some forms of birth control, such as the IUD and Plan B, abortion. These extreme stances are totally out of line with those held by the majority of Americans. When asked to detail Cruz’s stance, spokesman Rick Tyler, simply answered “Life at conception, no exceptions.”

What a catchy-yet-terrifying almost rhyme. Kind of a flashback to when Ted Cruz read “Green Eggs and Ham” on the Senate floor.

It should be noted that Donald Trump has made conflicting statements about his stance on Planned Parenthood. But recently, he said he supports the status quo.

Government Shutdown

In October 2013 Cruz orchestrated the 16-day government shutdown over Obamacare. Last year around the time when false allegations were being thrown at Planned Parenthood, Cruz threatened another government shutdown if Planned Parenthood wasn’t defunded. Many of his fellow Republicans were aghast at the thought of shutting the entire federal government over the issue. It even played a role in Speaker John Boehner’s resignation.

This is a businessman at heart, is at least willing to compromise and strike a deal. A president who is willing to stop everything over one matter is dangerous. Trump has threatened a government shutdown before. But the difference between him and Cruz on this issue is that a) Cruz has actually done it before and b) “The Apprentice” star’s political rhetoric is more about generating a reaction than making promises.

Tea Party

The Tea Party Movement arguably ruined the Republican party. The small but absolutist sect has held the GOP and our government hostage on numerous occasions by making uncompromisable and harmful demands. At the center of it lies Texas Senator Ted Cruz. So far, politicians who subscribe to the Tea

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