

America needs a new president to bring back prosperity

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There is a building boom coming - maybe.

Since the moment the public perceived that Obama might become our next president back in 2008, the economy began to slide downhill. It took a steep dive shortly after he took office, and so did the amount of construction.

It wasn't just his presidency that caused the fall. For years, regulations and smart growth policies have placed a stranglehold on construction, making the conditions necessary for a crash possible. Obama's presidency, along with the Obamacare bill and his czars and their regulations, was simply the catalyst.

It is the American culture as builders and entrepreneurs coupled with capitalism that makes it difficult for even a diehard Marxist to snuff out our way of life. It is for that reason that I believe there is a great building boom in our near future, and it is the optimism that the American public is sensing with some of the candidates that are running for president that makes me believe it is true that America could still be seeing its finest days ahead. For it to take place, however, there is a lot that needs to happen.

The most important thing will be our choice for the Republican Presidential candidate. The Republican Party has a bad habit of picking loser candidates when we need a winner the most. This propensity of picking a candidate because it is "his turn" is almost certain to mean that Obama would get a second term. We need another Ronald Reagan, who was an outsider, not another Bob Dole or John McCain. It is for that reason that I believe that Mitt Romney should not be the candidate. It may be his turn, but I don't believe he will work to overturn Obamacare as he is promising.

We need a president who will not only work tirelessly to undo the damage that has been done over the past three years, but to also deconstruct many of the regulations that have made investment and construction more difficult over the last two decades.

And there is more to be done.

Tax reform is critical to America's future. Not only are high taxes killing business, but the process of complying with onerous tax regulations costs businesses unnecessarily. Whether it is the Fair Tax or Hermain Cain's 9-9-9 plan or a flat tax, we need to simplify the tax process and reduce taxes across the board.

The development of American energy is vital. As if no one has noticed, the world is becoming increasingly hostile to the United States. We are too vulnerable to the sudden loss of foreign oil supplies, primarily because it takes so many years for us to develop our own. It is insane and

immoral for the federal government to place us at such a risk that would utterly destroy our country.

Government spending must be drastically reduced. The federal government's primary role is the national defense, but the insatiable appetite for money and power by liberals and progressives in our federal government has led to what we have now - an out of control, corrupt and untrustworthy government that is intent upon controlling every aspect of the lives of Americans. The federal government needs to stop printing money. It is becoming evident that the stimulus programs had little to do with stimulating the economy and more to do with corruption. The more money that is printed, the less the dollars in our pockets are worth, and the more goods and services will cost. That will discourage business and construction.

We need to take the operations of the three branches of government back to the original meaning of the U.S. Constitution. We need to vet all new legislation to pass constitutional scrutiny, and we need to repeal legislation that is unconstitutional. That will help to reduce the size of government and the out of control spending and regulations that threaten our freedoms.

We need to replace nearly all of the people who currently hold an office in the House and Senate in Washington, especially Harry Reid, Nancy Pelosi, Chris Dodd and Barney Frank. We need to replace our current anti-business and anti-growth government officials with those who are pro-business and pro-growth.

If that sounds like a lot of impossibilities, I would agree. Except for one thing. The American people are growing tired. They are tired of the bad economy, they are tired of loss of freedom, and they are tired of seeing the American dream and their life's work slip away.

That is why I am optimistic that we are going to see a big change in 2013. The American people still have the ability to turn things around.

If I am wrong, and the American public doesn't fight for what is right in the upcoming election - we will lose our freedoms in America. I don't believe we will recover from another four years of an Obama Presidency.

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