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Why the November Election Is Once Again “The Most Important Election of Your Life”¹

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The last three federal elections were billed as “the most important in our lifetime.” It is not crying wolf or hyperbole to apply the same label to the upcoming midterms.

In 2016, Americans ignored the threat posed by a pathological liar, grifter, and sociopath. Only by taking back the House in 2018 were we able to preserve America as a constitutional republic. Imagine what would have happened if the Republican cowards and crypto-fascists in Congress continued to give Donald Trump free reign during the final two years of his presidency. Imagine what would have happened if Trump had been actually rather than chimerically reelected two years ago.

Trump doubles down when he loses, as does the Republican Party. Trump launched an insurrection that came close to stealing the 2020 election. When that failed, Republicans passed voter suppression laws in 41 states designed to allow them to seize power “[not by breaking laws but by making them](#),” as *The New York Times* put it. Election Deniers committed to rejecting the popular vote are on the ballots in Arizona, Michigan, Nevada, and Pennsylvania, [a chilling prospect](#) for 2024.

Unlike the Republicans, we don’t get mulligans. The failure to adequately back Hillary Clinton led to Neil Gorsuch, Brent Kavanaugh, Amy Coney Barrett, the death of *Roe v. Wade*, and the specter of more than a half century of freedoms being reversed by the troglodyte majority on the Supreme Court. The failure to hold the House and Senate – and dispatch the Election Deniers – this November sets the stage for making the 2024 presidential election the last free election America holds.

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