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## Friends,

I am so pleased to announce to you that I am working with a new non-profit - The Center for Progressive Economics. The Center has been organized with the following mandate ~ "CPE will promote the correct macroeconomic understanding, mainly through economic validation, that joins business with government, educators, environmentalists, civic and philanthropic leaders to create a quality global economy and community." and ~ "We cannot have a politically democratic society without economic democracy!"

Over the many years I have been active in Progressive Policy and the Democratic Party I have noticed that Progressives, Liberals and Democrats do not have a comprehensive grasp of the macro-economic forces at work in the world today. That has created a situation where Conservatives and the Right wing of American political life have free rein to say anything they want on economic issues with impunity because they tout themselves as the only reasonable position on real world economics. CPE is bringing forth not only the counter to that argument but a robust picture of the Progressive alternative to over thirty years of "NeoLiberal" or "Rational" economics. Simply put - unlike all current "Zero Sum" or "Win-Lose" economic theories, Progressive Economics is the "Win-Win" economic solution!

Mark Pash is the driving force behind the economic policies you will find in all of the CPE publications online, in print and in person. I have been working with Mark for over three years now to frame these economic policies around Progressive social policy positions. Our first paper - Progressive Economic Principles: Creating a Quality Economy - is the last chapter in my book, "Left Turn Only." CPE is an outgrowth of that collaboration. Mark and I are working on a new way of communicating the liberal ideal through economics. In that way we can prove our social positions on the solid ground of economics and counter the Conservative narrative, in both major parties, that only they have the economic solutions.

So, I hope that you will take the time to peruse our new website and let us know what you think. Most importantly, I ask that you become a supporting member of CPE by your vote of confidence with a donation large or small.

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