

# Letter: A better way

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This morning's Deseret News editorial ("Why the University of Utah's new economics institute is a win," July 19) and the parallel stories in the Deseret News and Salt Lake Tribune greeted me after being on the road for several weeks.

The Kochs are in large part responsible for the massive obstructionism to the Obama presidency and are now largely responsible for the support and encouragement of — if not Trump himself — those who, when the writing was on the wall, turned tail and endorsed and now defend and support Trump.

The Eccles have been very good to and for the University of Utah.

I am disappointed in President Pershing, in the Board of Trustees and in those in the university administration who have not spoken out and/or argued against this action. The Deseret News' editorial defense and justification of the action is itself ultrasimplistic, economically adolescent and hypocritical.

The institution I served, defended and loved since 1969 has now fully caved in to its gluttonous quest for dollars from any and all sources. Perhaps the Trump family foundation can now be approached to fund a Center for Equality for Women?

The U. has now fully joined with the Utah State Legislature and the governor in seeking a dystopian alternate economic and political reality. Utah may, like the nation and many chronic alcoholics, have to hit bottom before it can begin to shed its addiction to economic and political simplisms which do not work, have never worked and will not work in the future.

Real reality and values will eventually triumph — there is a better way.

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