Editorial

A Program for Survival

It's been true all along, but the results of the just-concluded election should underscore it: The La-Rouche movement has the *only* program for the survival of the United States, and the rest of the planet. And that's what American patriots had better start fighting *for* immediately.

It begins with the three-point program laid out in LaRouchePAC's "Platform for a New Presidency": reinstating President Franklin Roosevelt's Glass-Steagall Act, restoring a Federal credit system, and launching great projects beginning with NAWAPA XXI. But with the understanding that these three steps represent the implementation of a principle, a principle LaRouche emphasized in his Nov. 5 discussion on LPAC-TV.

What we need is a revolutionary leap in productivity, LaRouche said. "We have to have a real science-driver program, which is the same thing as a space-driver program." He elaborated:

"We've got to *stop* thinking small! We've been thinking small too long, and that's why we're in the mess we're in. We don't *have* the capabilities. And only by going to very *science-dense* capability, and the great science-dense challenge largely includes space. Therefore, the restoration of NASA, right now, is the thing that the United States must do *now*—immediately!—and get into the same kind of program in cooperation with other nations, which are in the same area. For example, China has a very large program in this direction; Russia has a smaller program, but a high-density program where it has something.

"France is a mess; Germany is a mess—the Green policy has destroyed much of Germany. Italy is a mess. Greece is a subject of murder! What's been happening to Greece under the European control is *murder*; *mass murder!* The same thing is now

happening in Spain, in Portugal. It's going to happen downstream in Italy. We're already there. This is not something that *could* happen; it's already fully in process and accelerating.

"We have to get rid of Wall Street, absolutely: If every Wall Street institution is bankrupted, I will cheer. Because what Wall Street is doing is absorbing capabilities which are precious and *needed* for something useful. Wall Street is worse than useless. Eliminate Wall Street, and then start from there, to use every resource that Wall Street has. *Cancel* it! Take it!

"And start building. We have scant ability to meet the needs of over 300 million people in the United States. We have nowhere near that. And therefore, we have to have a very high rate of acceleration of technological progress and scientific progress....

"You've got to have people make a leap into the future, the real future.... And the best way to stir that up, is to go with a space program, including an acceleration of Mars. Use the Mars mission, which is actually a back-up for helping us deal with the threat to mankind of asteroids and comets. And that should be the top-line objective of mankind....

"This is the kind of thing we can do, and we're going to have to do. But this is the high-tech end: the Mars objective, for dealing with problems on Earth.

"And that is the driver. Once we get that attitude put in, and a NASA approach to that, in cooperation with Russia, China, and other nations which are involved in this, *that* is going to be the driver. We want to start tomorrow, that's *tomorrow!* Tomorrow morning? Want to start it, on Wednesday morning? That's it!"

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