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Securing America's Financial Health

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"The key to restoring the health of our economy is to let the best ideas win."

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Problem Statement

American products and services are decreasingly competitive and our economy is increasingly protectionistic.

America's ability to compete in the global marketplace is on the decline. American products and services are growing less competitive because our economy is increasingly protectionistic and monopolistic. Consequently, America imports more goods and services and exports fewer goods and services.

America's economic health continues to decline as:

1. Our products are less competitive and have less access to foreign markets
2. Our commitment to free markets weakens
3. Our borrowing increases
4. Our ability to repay our debt decreases

This decline in our economic health means that we import more and export less, there are fewer middle class jobs, our balance sheet grows weaker, and we are more short term in our thinking which leads to a cycle of booms and busts.

Proposed Solution

America must get back to letting the best ideas win.

For over 200 years America has attracted inventors, business leaders, and investors from all over the world because we protect every American's freedom to invent new products and bring their business ideas to market. Americans think freely, speak freely, assemble freely, freely practice their religious faith, and freely build businesses to sell their products to customers all over the world. By fostering new ideas, making it easier for entrepreneurs to find funding, rationally managing our businesses, and allowing the best ideas to win; America's economy developed into the most powerful economic engine in the world. As American businesses continued to grow our knowledge and experience increased as well. We developed our ability to create large, scalable businesses; and transfer those learnings to businesses throughout our entire economy. Consumers all around the world preferred American products for their



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value, quality, superior design, and for the freedoms we afforded every American as part of the brand of America and American products.

In order to restore America's economic strength we must get back to the economic values that created our economic miracle.

1. America must protect entrepreneurial businesses that are pushing our economy into the next generation of products and services.
2. We must lower our trade barriers to again demonstrate that we champion free markets and the economics of fair competition.
3. We must consistently pay our debts to our creditors.
4. We must plan for and manage to stable and consistent growth.

Strengthening our economic foundation and fostering competition will accelerate job creation and build a more diversified and resilient economy. With the return of stable and consistent growth; America will accelerate the growth of our economy, strengthen investor confidence, and expand the middle class.

America has built a significant lead in many industries through our innovative and free culture, our significant experience and know-how, and our knowledge of what it takes to build mature, scalable businesses. Our economic miracle is built on the consistent and steady leadership of business leaders who run disciplined, methodical businesses. The businesses that generate stable and consistent returns by providing products and services of superior quality and value are the foundation to The American Dream. By creating the conditions for American business leaders to freely develop their ideas and compete in a free marketplace; we can restore the vibrant and durable economy that has set us apart as an economic powerhouse. From the auto industry to the banking industry, America is already positioned to win the lion's share of markets all over the world. The question we need to answer is whether we can play by our own rules and, by example, demonstrate that fair competition and free markets build more resilient and successful economies.



Action Items

1. Set projections and estimates to plan for stable and consistent growth.
2. Work with our international partners to increase comparative advantage based trade, and reduce trade barriers.
3. Break up industry monopolies.
4. Significantly strengthen our business judicial system
5. Develop, fund and protect innovation industries and innovative business models in their early growth stages.
6. Begin the substantial investment necessary to re-develop America's manufacturing capabilities as long as our investment demonstrates a return on investment, a return on our trade balance, and/or a return on our national security.
7. Significantly reduce the cost of living in the United States of America.
8. Lower the corporate tax rate.
9. Offer a reduced tax rate for repatriation of corporate funds.
10. Refocus the regulatory bodies of the United States Government to protect consumer and worker safety.

Let's make this change together. Together we can restore America by strengthening and building upon the foundation that makes us a tough competitor, a fearless innovator, and a determined, courageous nation.