

Poillievre too cozy with dictators like Trump, Putin

To the Editor, Mr. Poillievre, and what has become of the 'Regressive Conservative Party?', are in favour of cutting Canada's aid to Ukraine. Does anyone remember how this world stood by while Hitler invaded and devastated Poland? Russia and Canada are in dispute over land claims now. Do we remember why the Dew Line was built? As Putin and Trump, Poillievre too seems to have a great thirst for undisputed power. This is scary, particularly as our planet burns. Politicians of every stripe should not be only interested in their own job and personal and party power - good politicians are good people who work as a team across party lines to find solutions for all, to save our planet and all its inhabitants. Do we remember that this is how Canada got Universal Health Care (CCF/NDP Tommy Douglas working with the Liberal government of the day)? And most recently (again thanks to the NDP and Liberals) achieve Canada's Dental Plan and newly introduced PharmaCare bill? Using fear misinformation and anger to create and fuel division does not belong in politics, does not protect democracy and will not serve to protect our planet or fix what is broken in our country, or in our world. Working together, finding common ground and building joint solutions is what governing is about? it is what most of us want for our families our communities, our planet. The value of learning from history is to help prevent us from repeating mistakes and committing atrocities. It is also a very valuable road map for continuing to build on accomplishments toward achieving an equitable society and healthier planet.

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