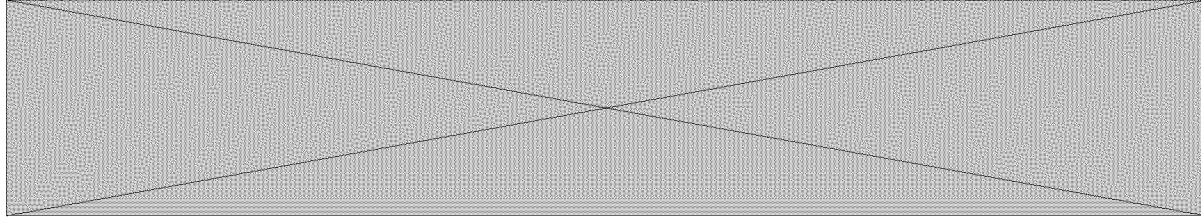


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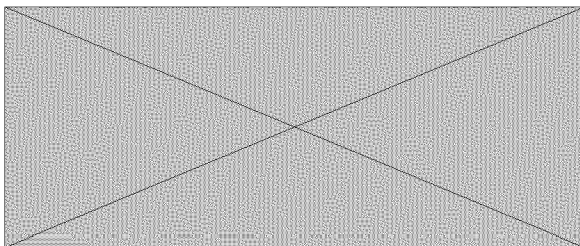
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Advancing dignity through humility

Andy Smarick | AEIdeas

How do we approach social issues, economic issues, and public policy issues so a deep respect for human dignity is our default setting? That is, instead of listing some laws and regulations that might be changed, how do we take a philosophical approach. It won't provide an answer to every question, and it will, actually, be quite lousy at addressing tactical issues — such as what the right tax is for this or that. But how can we create a framework for engaging with the big idea of governing with dignity?



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Ramesh Ponnuru | Bloomberg View

Those who favor a new monetary regime, in which the Fed would stop setting a target level for inflation and start targeting nominal spending instead, can rejoice at having apparently made an influential convert: Lawrence Summers. Summers — who was an architect of economic policy in the Clinton and Obama administrations — announced his shift in thinking in a recent op-ed, and says he will explain his reasoning in more detail soon. He makes a powerful case. But it's worth lingering over one argument in it.

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Amazon, Whole Foods, and the power of big tech

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The business and consumer implications of the \$14 billion Amazon–Whole Foods deal are myriad. But there is also a political implication that goes beyond politics. An alarmist outlook of big tech — including Facebook and Google — seems to be growing more common on the left, a view that the platform companies' huge concentrations of wealth and data mean that they have captured the economy.

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President Donald Trump has made much fanfare over reversing course on his predecessor's policies and priorities. From health care to climate change, the president has relished taking the inverse of former President Barack Obama's positions. But this has not proved to be the case with respect to national security. That trend is not good news for America's special operations forces.

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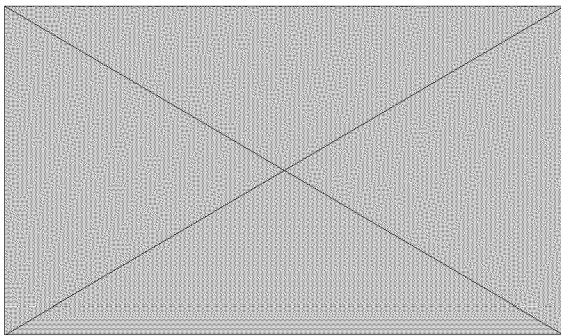
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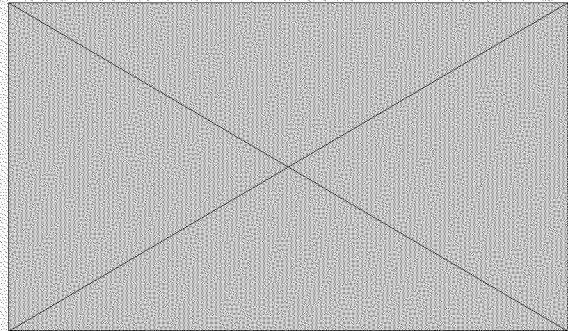
A brutal, but reasonable, response to North Korea

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Applying the adjective "reasonable" to North Korea is, well, not reasonable. It's not that the Pyongyang regime is entirely irrational, but it is certainly differently rational in a way that is nearly impossible for consent-of-the-people democracies to comprehend. In imagining conventional military options to change the Kim regime or eliminate its offensive capabilities, effectiveness is a better measure. This is a case where

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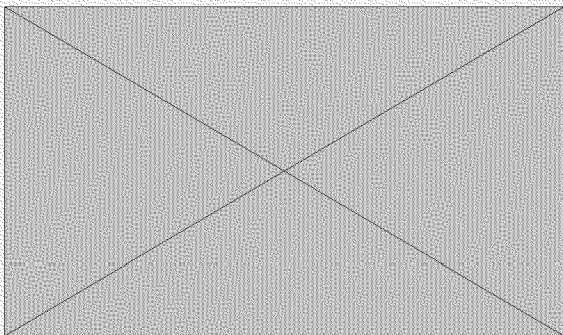
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A new energy milestone, thanks to natural gas

Mark J. Perry | Washington Examiner

The opening of a liquefied natural gas (LNG) export terminal in southern Maryland normally wouldn't draw much attention. But to politicians, the Cove Point LNG facility has one huge advantage that outweighs any potential problems: It was built on time and within budget. It sends a strong signal to our allies and trading partners that America is committed to its role as a global energy leader. There are few energy issues more important today than LNG.

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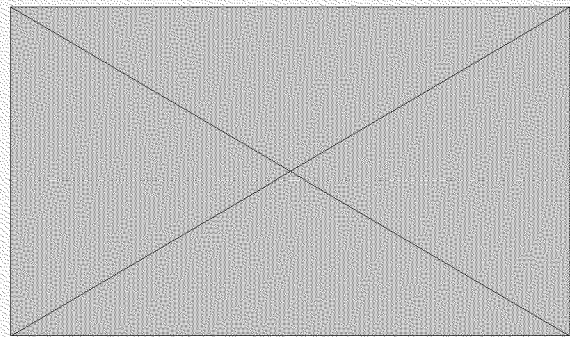
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Make conservatism moderate again

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In 1964, Barry Goldwater addressed the Republican National Convention with a famous speech that argued "extremism in defense of liberty [was] no vice" and "moderation in pursuit of justice [was] no virtue." Few understood him as predicting the future of right-wing politics across the English-speaking world. Yet that speech foreboded perfectly the revolutionary zeal that has since spread through conservatism on both sides of the Atlantic.

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