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How Has America failed Itself by choosing to re-elect Donald Trump over Kamala Harris.

Americas political landscape has been shaped by a number of significant leaders over the years, of these leaders, Donald Trump and Kamala Harris stand out as important characters. Their journeys reflect opposing views on themes of, gender equality, race and governance. In the United States it would have been a significant moment in history for all, especially women, if Harris had won. Her victory could have represented a step in the right direction for womens rights and equality for all, whereas Trumps success arguably promotes racism, gender inequality and homophobia. Kamalas victory could have led to more progressive policies, particularly in areas such as climate change, gender inequality and social justice. This essay will explore why Harris was the better candidate and argue that Trump is not fit to rule again.

Kamala Harris, the first woman, and first Asian American woman to serve as vice president, has faced significant challenges throughout her political journey. Despite her incredible achievements, Harris has often been scrutinised and criticised, ^{something} which her fellow male politicians didnt need to experience.

The systemic barriers of racism and sexism have slowed Harris, greatly affecting her as she worked her way up in the political world. From media portrayal, to criticism from her peers, such as Tim Bushnell calling her the child of a black man and Indian woman, saying she was chosen because she is black not because she is qualified to even people like Hillary Clinton saying that "the only card she has is the woman card".

However, Harris did not let these comments stop her she fought hard to achieve her goals. The expectations placed upon Harris as a trailblazer were immense, and the failures on behalf of the political system to support her initiatives and address the biases have greatly eroded her chance of ~~success~~ ^{success}.

Kamala Harris had ~~several~~ numerous ambitious proposals that she had planned to put in place if she had won, for example, as written on news website 'medium' Harris had proposals on issues like criminal justice reform and plans to transform the criminal justice system, she also planned to improve issues in healthcare and ending the death penalty. However all of these proposals were met with ~~resistance~~ ^{resistance}.

From both inside her party and out, this reflects a broader reluctance to embrace change. It is also argued that many of Trump's votes came from uneducated citizens. This brings to life the argument that if people of America were educated on both sides of the

election then Harris may have had better success. The argument suggests that the election may not have truly reflected the best outcome for America.

The political environment in which Harris runs is faced with challenges which worsen her struggles. American politics has been shaped to view compromise as weakness, leaving leaders like Harris facing difficulty trying to push through meaningful legislation. The lack of support from people in her own party has created an atmosphere where she has to work mostly alone to achieve her visions for America. Harris has been forced to navigate a system that completely undermines and dismisses her abilities, highlighting a failure on the part of the US political system to embrace and support diverse leaders. Harris is also forced to consider the consequences that could arise if she had won over Trump, Trump and his supporters were certain he would win, he said the only way he wouldn't would be if she cheated, this admittance that he would win could easily have sparked anger and violence if he did not succeed. This idea comes from the fact a significant portion of his supporters felt a deep need and connection to his rhetoric, they would feel threatened if he did not win.

Trump's last four years in power was marked by a series of controversies and divisive policies that have raised many doubts about his fitness to lead again. His approach to governance often prioritised quick wins over long term fixes, resulting in a chaotic and unstable political environment. For example, his approach to covid-19 when he downplayed the severity of it which led to many deaths. He also had extreme immigration policies which led to many family separations at the border. He also showed a lack of empathy for the welfare of American citizens long-term when he withdrew from the 2015 Paris Climate Change agreement as discussed on BBC news, a contract put in place to help with climate change so our planet would be safer for longer. He has also been seen making racist and sexist comments on multiple occasions. For example in one discussion where he repeatedly referred to black people as 'the blacks', with all the racial and gender equality issues across the world today, America needs a leader that views all groups as equal. *

In Conclusion, Trumps re-election is a significant step backwards for women as he undermines any and all progress made regarding gender equality. The experiences of Donald Trump and Kamala Harris serve as a reflection of the completions and challenges in American politics. Harris journey represents a shift towards a better future for all, whereas Trumps promotes quick wins and inequality, although his unique style of leadership still managed to capture the majority vote. As America continues to navigate its political landscape it is crucial to recognise the importance of supporting diverse leaders to ensure a better and just future for all.

* he also showed divisive policies and quick wins undermining the very meaning of American Democracy.