## **Results Matter**

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Most here know I root for the Mets. Following this election, it appeared like many a contest involving those Mets. My side takes an early lead. I watch it whittle down. It looks like all hope is lost. Same old Mets.....And then perhaps like what many believe will occur under new Mets owner Steve Cohen, my side found strength in the former of absentee and early votes that election officials tallied overnight and this morning. A new map emerges that forecasts Biden leading in Wisconsin and Michigan, thus flipping back states Clinton lost four years ago. Nearly a quarter of the votes remain to be counted in Detroit/Wayne County which vote 2-1 Biden. The outstanding Wisconsin numbers should not result in Biden falling short there. I count to 270; enough to win and that without final numbers in Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Georgia. Absentee and early voters remain – in substantial numbers – to be counted and may indeed determine the results in those three states.

Those results may not be substantially counted until Thursday/Friday. Ditto for Nevada where Biden also leads and which state I include in my 270.

So what happened.

My first conclusion – and this includes looking at results here in New York State and out west in California: The Electoral College, an anachronism that supported the institution of slavery, just needs to go. The popular vote clearly puts Biden in the lead. But the electoral college makes certain Trump Voters in place such as New York and California essentially not count; ditto for Biden voters in certain Mountain and other states where the GOP margin exceeded 60%. Shouldn't the vote of my friends Vincent, Josh and Dave, among others have meaning in a vote for our president. The media called New York the moment the polls closed! Think about that.

In certain cases the vote of these caring folk – albeit sharing different views – will matter.

So understand this close election right now only appears such because of the anachronistic Electoral College.

And as an aside, date just release at the post office reveals significant numbers of Absentee ballots that remain to be delivered in Detroit, Philly, Greensboro, North Carolina and Atlanta. These ballots if counted will further impact the race.

And generally military and overseas ballots have until next week to be returned/ received.

A couple of questions I have going in.

Total vote is at over 136 million. The forecast was north of 150 million.

The early/absentee tally was forecast at over 100 million; its not clear how more absentee tallies remain to add to that.

Interestingly so-called bellwethers that forecast election results, Ohio, certain congressional districts, went Trump and appear not to matter this year.

So yes votes to remain to be counted and they will and we will know final Results that *Matter* over next several days. Those numbers may impact some Senate and other races.

*Results Matter* there as well.

But I'd like to turn to my friend and fellow political expert Tony Suber to add color, pun intended, about these results, because while who wins matters; the numbers tell another story that requires this nation to make amends.

Thank you.

Tony please go ahead.