

Enemy of the American people?

editor:
should all reject President
's Feb. 17 tweet that "The
NEWS media (failing @
s, @NBCNews, @ABC, @
@CNN) is not my enemy,
ne enemy of the American
!"

free press is not the enemy
American people. The free
is, in fact, the necessary
og for the people. Their
as been, as it should be,
arial and critical to hold
' feet to the fire.

we all realize that it's not
someone in political office
criticism, I believe that
y all officeholders would
hat it's necessary to have
kin. As former President
famously quipped, "If you
and the heat, get out of the
" Surely some criticism
valid and some less valid,
ders need to endure it
broad-based attacks on
s.

ia Republican Sen.
McCain, Armed Services
ee chairman and a
d veteran, having
an enemy prison camp
country, said, "If you
preserve democracy as
it, you have to have a
many times, adversarial
d "without it, I am afraid
would lose so much of
idual liberties over time.
w dictators get started."

is an enemy of the
people, it is the attitude
ress should be disparaged
critical. Unfortunately,

Trump cannot tolerate
fair or not, but enduring
cism is part of being

I am currently writing a book on
Dr. (Punyamurtula) Kishore, the
Massachusetts model, and the
denial of justice that affected the

The will of the people

To the editor:

On Nov. 8, 2016, we, the people of
Maine, decided to change the way
we vote when there are more than
two candidates running for an office.
We voted to adopt a new process
called "ranked-choice voting"
whereby, instead of picking a single
candidate out of three or more, you
can pick your first, second, and third
choice at the polls. This allows you
to support your favorite candidate
without fear of helping your least
favorite candidate and will give us
an outcome that more accurately
reflects the will of the people.

But in spite of the fact that we
passed the legislation (in a people's
vote) with the second-largest vote
of the people in Maine's history, the
current administration is dragging
its feet on implementing it.

Despite losing in November,
opponents are working to hold
off putting ranked-choice voting
into effect, with the intention of
weakening or reversing the law.
Their efforts notwithstanding, it
can still be put into place by 2018 as
long as the secretary of state directs
his office to begin working now to
create and execute an effective,
efficient, secure, and transparent
implementation plan.

It is the responsibility of the
secretary of state, at this time
Matthew Dunlap, to implement the
law in time for the 2018 election.
Mr. Dunlap should honor the will of
the people and begin working now
to implement Maine's new ranked-
choice voting law in full for 2018.

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Newcastle

periods of time. Dr. Kishore's
story in Massachusetts need
told, and it will.

It is important for you to k
growing numbers of people
joining the ranks of Dr. K
friends and firing back at th
abuse of power and tra
justice of which he was th
in Massachusetts. People
be coming out to his defens
didn't see through the tru
fake news and distorted
which his (corporate, wel
enemies had engineered.

Before the Massachusetts
general disrupted treatme
Kishore's patients in Massa
he was employing 370 empl
52 sites, and had a yearl
of \$9.9 million. His extr
success was remarkable
it is at-home detox, with
component of monitor
primary care, involvement
members and coaches
ends in sobriety in the t
month program, at the re
of \$10K per year and pe
The success rate using
benchmark of sobriety ma
ranged between 35 and 5
after one year. The succe
other (opiate-based) prog
state-run or -authorized "r
clinics") is less than 5 pe
cost of the same is much
the users, insurance comp
taxpayers.

Since your newspaper
reporting on the Nationa
of Health and Healing in V
it behooves your outfit
from Dr. Kishore himself
information about his bio
practice, his endorsement
against him (as he preser
his case against the Com
of Massachusetts. Bringin
to this extraordinary m