Ford debacle draws attention away from gas plant fiasco

Dear editor:

It doesn't take any guts to badmouth Mayor of Toronto, Rob Ford. All the sanctimonious types are piling on. He is a fat, stammering white guy who dared to derail the gravy train milked by every hoity-toity, wine and cheese parasite in Canada. How politically incorrect of him! Ford has had more scrutiny than Al Capone. No mayor of Toronto or anywhere else has been subjected to anything like the media harassment that Ford has had to put up with. The media was out to get Ford the second he declared that he would run for mayor of Toronto. Scumbags hounded his home and his family in a continuous siege of media intimidation. It's been going on for years. Now he's the target of every cheap shot weasel from the Toronto Star to NBC talk show host, Jay ?Moose Jaw: Leno. Like I say, it doesn't take guts to pile on. Cowards just get to kiss the right butt. Get the chapstick out.

To be sure, Rob Ford is the author of his own misery to a great extent. There is strong evidence that he desperately needs to make big changes in his lifestyle. He needs to loose 100 pounds. He needs to get off that deadly gateway drug, alcohol and stay off it. He needs to be more discriminatory as to whom he associates with. For all this, he's going to need to go for rehab and then come back and launch the biggest comeback in Canadian political history.

One thing that is never mentioned. If Rob Ford was black, or an Aboriginal, or a homosexual, there would hardly be a mouse's peep from the Toronto Star or the CBC or CTV or Toronto Council or any other politician. They would all have developed laryngitis. Each transgression by Rob Ford would be overlooked and/or ignored. Police chiefs would turn the other way. Yankee talk show hosts would develop blindness. The reader will note that the lesbian Premier of Ontario, one Kathleen Wynne, has bilked the Ontario taxpayer out of over a billion dollars in the gas plant fiasco. Yet the scumbag media is virtually silent. No weasel peeks over her back yard fence. No mouthy reporters trespass on her driveway or terrify her children. No idiot from the CBC's ?22 minutes? plays with plastic swords on her property. How come?

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