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# EDITORS' NOTE

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As has been the case for the past 23 years, students and alumni writing for this Volume 23 of *Policy Perspectives* have their fingers on the pulse of the greatest public policy issues facing America and the world. Articles, book reviews, and an interview cover topics including health insurance, public health, youth empowerment, climate change, immigration, refugee resettlement policy, income inequality, and art as a policy tool. In addition, this year we started a blog, where members of the Trachtenberg community can exhibit their academic interests in shorter-form writing. We are proud to provide a platform for these exceptional students and alumni to contribute to the academic conversation in their fields of expertise.

In choosing articles for Volume 23, we selected those that analyzed unique ideas through a strong theoretical framework. Cost-benefit analysis, adverse selection, and hyperbolic preferences provide frameworks for arguments on policies that can improve health, address climate change, increase government efficiency, and empower youth.

We owe a great debt of gratitude to our amazing *Policy Perspectives* team: Marisa Kanof, who very nearly single-handedly created and ran the blog and who freely lent her assistance when needed, including help with the launch event, taking on our social media presence, and last-minute proofing; Callie McLean, who led us through the printing process, developed the journal layout, designed the journal cover, and edited the book reviews; to Associate Editors Arpan Dasgupta, Josh Garties, Nick Hugh, Shane Loughran, Ridhi Sahai, and Janette Martinez who provided invaluable insight through several rounds of editing of the featured articles; Meng Li, who stepped up to fact-check Chinese-language sources; the Deputy Editors of the blog, Maria Wimsatt, Emily Russel, and Conor McGrath, who volunteered to proofread the journal; and the entire blog staff, who gave us something to brag about every two weeks.

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We feel fortunate to have been able to serve as Editor-in-Chief and Managing Editor of Volume 23, and hope that you will continue the conversation begun by the fantastic articles published here. Thank you.

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