**Letter to the Editor: Protect Social Security Workforce**

Dear editor,

The Trump Administration is doing everything it can to undermine the confidence in and strength of the Social Security Administration. From allegations of fraud to eliminating services on the 1-800 number to offering buyouts to shrink an already too-small Agency, the goal is to take away Americans’ earned benefits. It doesn’t matter that we’ve all paid into the Social Security pot for years, based on the promise of a safe and secure retirement. The Administration is trying to not-so-subtly throw that guarantee away in the name of funding tax cuts for the richest .1%.

The dismantling of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services is step one to not just tip but topple the scales of justice against the American people.

The latest attempt by President Trump and Senators Blackburn and Lee to eliminate federal unions makes it clear that they know we are standing between the American people’s earned benefits and the Trump-Musk co-presidency. We must not let them topple us.