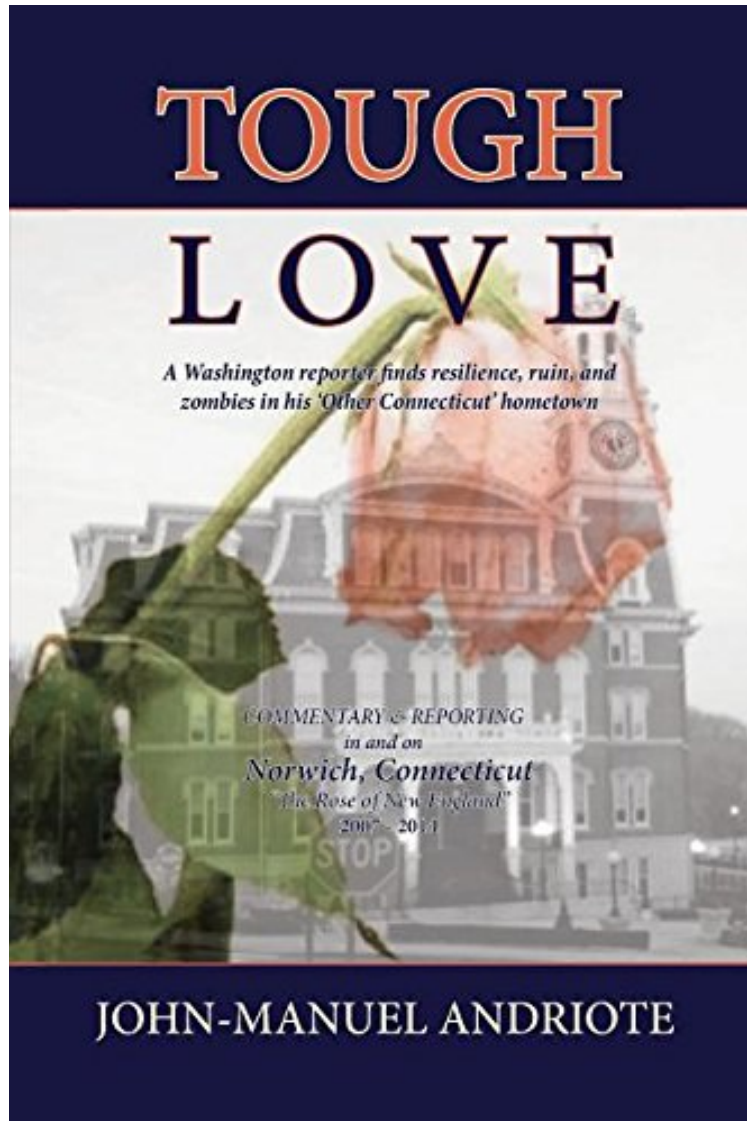


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By Yaakov (James) Mosher
Homecoming scribe John-Manuel Andriote displays faith, hope and a unique brand of patriotism in *Tough Love*, a collection of his newspaper and website columns of the past eight years. At 389 pages the overall size is daunting but the individual articles are mostly short, punchy and well-crafted. Despite his wallet being downsized by the Great Recession and dreams of starting over in his hometown battered by Other Connecticut realities, Andriote maps the road from ruin to resilience for the citizens of Norwich and anyone else with eyes to see and ears to hear. This former Washington, D.C., journalist/City Council candidate/political debate moderator/AIDS activist and historian demonstrates what it means to be a public citizen (nod to Connecticut native Ralph Nader). The columns contained in *Tough Love* are wide-ranging and readers of all stripes are likely to connect with many of them including the ones on prescription drug affordability, death, 9/11, Hurricane Irene, and Newtown. The *High Price of Denial* and *Our Past is Our Future* are among the more provocative headlines. Benedict Arnold a historic tourism asset? Andriote thinks so. That's part of an embracing persona that includes working with immigrant groups and honoring military veterans. What is to be shunned are apathy, opaque politics, and shallow thinking. Newsprint fire rains on City Hall sacred cows including a municipal utility quite adept at enriching its employees by dancing in the shadows between public and private. *Tough Love* is also full of tender sentiments for New England its lands (gardening is a favorite of the author) and seasons. Bill Kauffman, this era's most articulate and stalwart lover of Little America, once quoted the following: Blessed be those that thought they hated the places where they grew up but then gave them another chance. By that standard, John-Manuel Andriote is most richly blessed.

Tough Love is a collection of weekly newspaper columns, front-page feature articles, and other commentary by a longtime Washington, DC reporter who returned home to Norwich, Connecticut. Planning a second career and a new life, the author instead found his journalist's instincts at full alert as he watched--often incredulously--as the city's leaders grasped at one plan after another to save the city. *Tough Love* is more than the story--stories, really--of one old American city; it's a close-up look at what has been called 'the other America,' the left-behind hometowns that made the nation wealthy--but now struggle to find a new place in a new millennium that seems to be passing them by.