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The people had enough for far too long! They were forced to wait until President Obama reached his term limits. Once he was gone in 2017, the people overwhelmingly hired Donald Trump in 2016 to replace him. Many think Trump did an exceptional job with great policies on crime, a safe and secure border, cheap energy, energy independence, minimal inflation, and four years of world peace.

The Progressive Marxist had a bullseye on Trump's front and back from the time he announced and the infamous trip down the escalator.

Here we are two years after Biden took over and the bad guys are still gunning for Trump. Trump has noticed. He has been persecuted and his family has been persecuted because the Democrats fear the people want Trump so much that they will throw Democrat slop back in the barrel and go with their real choices. Around the time the idea of a book about Trump and DeSantis as foes for the presidency came about, Trump acknowledged that "if I announced that I was not going to run any longer for public office, the persecution of Donald Trump would immediately stop. He is 100% correctimundo.

Democrats fear Trump more than anybody and thus they secretly want anybody but Trump. They not only fear his candidacy but they do not want another four years of Trump to spoil their plans to further destroy the country. So, Dems are not afraid of Ron DeSantis as they believe he is not as well prepared as Trump to fight the persecution that will come his way for sure. Trump knows how to fight all the slime that the slippery Marxists can throw at him. DeSantis has a lot of Trump bluster and strength but he does not have the experience of living through the hell Democrats produce and surviving.

They welcome and in fact hope for Trump and DeSantis to have a very contentious primary that turns off voters from supporting either candidate in the general election.

RINOs and Trump haters are looking forward to a DeSantis candidacy even if it means the Democrats win in 2024. They are talking up the goodness of DeSantis like he is what Trump was in 2016. I don't think Ron DeSantis's time is 2024 but that may not matter if he decides to make the run.

Democrats are capable of manufacturing and delivering lethal doses of hate and they have proven it regularly. Trump has lived through the Dem Virus and is immune whereas Ron DeSantis might get sick sooner in a bloody war with Democrats which there definitely would be.

Trump made it through the Russia Hoax, the Hillary Hoax, the Mueller Hoax and two impeachments. He is up to the tasks for sure. We all know that the hateful impeachments of Donald Trump began long before he was elected. The hard left wanted him gone from the beginning and were prepared to do so at all costs. Trump hammered back at the political establishment & they hate him for his success. Are we not all sick of the hate. Just because we are sick of it does not mean we should abandon Trump for DeSantis but instead we should encourage the two heads of the Republican party to work together to defeat the nasty Democrats and send them packing for the long haul.

The fact is that Donald Trump got elected because the majority of the voters had begun to no longer trust Democrats or Republicans. Many of the regular people in America decided that they could trust Trump and in fact, most continue to trust him to do what is best for America. Trump so far has not let those people down. The left cannot stand that fact.

Americans had gotten sick of the corrupt elected officials in all levels of government doing the bidding of the other slimy politicians and political donors and hacks in the various government swamps. Donald Trump came across to most people as the only candidate for

president who offered Americans a breath of fresh air from the stodgy, bossy, establishment elites in both major parties. That's why I voted for Trump.

He was brave enough to defy the status quo of rich donors controlling the government for their personal benefit. Trump is rich enough thanks to his father's and his own cunning business sense that he alone of all candidates did not have to suck up to the seedy side of life just to get elected. Nobody is saying that DeSantis could not do it but Trump is a sure win, though Ron DeSantis would be formidable, against this nasty brood for sure.

Everybody has an opinion but too many people have their opinion shaped by crooked politicians and crooked news media. Some people call it the **Crooked News Network**. From what I see, CNN tops the untrustworthy media scoundrel list. So many of my good friends who are otherwise smart people believe what CNN says just by them saying it—like it is Christ's gospel. I mean even good people cannot see their own faults because CNN tells them how its gospel is great.

Too many people for example get all their news from CNN. Yet it is now fact that at 9:00AM daily, CNN executives get their marching orders from the president of this network news organization. More or less, they are told to avoid being fired, they must continually strengthen all aspects of the political (no facts needed) effort to disparage to the death, President Trump. That must be their focus above the people's news—or they better read the WANT Ads. .

Trump in his winning 2016 election campaign held rallies of from 20,000 to 50,000 people who believed that Donald J. Trump loves America and American traditional values. Look at the goodness that he instilled into his own children. He is not a liberal fool or a progressive socialist tool who hates America. He is simply for America and Americans first. So are many of you and I if we really think about it. When Biden won the presidency, his typical crowd was a small gathering of from 200 to 500 people on a good day. It is hard to believe he really won.

The corrupt anti-American mainstream press has recently merged with the corrupt Democrat Party. Together they regurgitate the most obnoxious collection of hate known since the Civil War. So, now together, they hate Trump because he represents normal Americans and not the fringe actors who have together decided to unseat him as president and crown Hillary or maybe Biden again for the job. This pond scum had no rallies like Trump because there would be few attendees.

Moreover, the stench of their corruption would be too strong for normal breathing assistance devices. Americans who love America could not endure the mephitic. Nefarious shameful left-leaning political leaders preach that Trump is bad, bad, bad. They will preach the same of Ron DeSantis if he dirties his hat in the presidential ring. It is a shame that good people are swayed by the miscreants who care little for the truth. Trump calls them all out as the fakes they are. They hate him because he is not controlled by anyone—Dem Party or wimpy swamp-rat-dwelling Republicans. Neither give Trump an inch and they undermined America for years by undermining our president. When America is gone, then what? S

The prior opponent of Donald J. Trump in the 2016 election for president was none other than the inglorious Hillary Rodham Clinton. In a national presidential debate, she had vowed to accept the results of a fair and honest American election even if she were to lose. Unfortunately, for America she was only kidding. Since the election, her forces have worked tirelessly with the Democrat Party and the corrupt media to muster up enough national hate to unseat the duly elected President, whose name happens to be Donald J. Trump.

Those investigating all the shams regarding the Trump election and the Deep State plot to destroy him have found that Hillary had a major role. As the primary perpetrators of the hate and the hoax, her team lied about it all. Many investigative reporters have given reports and their unified word is that Mrs. Clinton is behind mostly all of the efforts to remove Donald Trump from office. Yet, she asks her fawning media to not portray her actions as those of a sore loser. What do you think?

When Trump first ran for president, the once Secretary of State had caused four Americans with mothers and fathers back home to be killed in Benghazi and the press would not even

acknowledge the story. Something was wrong, and you know what it was. Trump was ready to forgive her but she wanted Trump destroyed.

The Democrats & mainstream press have corrupted America so that their whopper lies and their leadership on the hate parade, are often taken as truth. The country needed Donald Trump and Mike Pence to bring America back to reality and truth. That's why Trump got elected and it is why Never-Trumpers fear correctly he again was elected in 2020 but the election was stolen as everybody knows..

Good people still feel the scourge of the dishonest politicians and the biased, corrupt press. Even good Democrats, few as there may be, such as my own liberal sister-in-law, were in many ways pleased when Hillary lost. The spew that this candidate fostered was as bad as that of the "Squad" who would rather Sharia Law than our Constitution.

Each election the people over the years have decided whether a Muslim should run America or a Christian, Agnostic, or an atheist or another non-Christian. As a matter of truth, Democrats have given up both God and love of country to side with the vapid scoundrels that want to change America to become socialist and perhaps even a communist nation. Trump had promised to fight against them. That is the big reason that they hate him and why those Americans that can still think clearly love to support President Donald Trump.

Before President Trump, the country's issues included oppressive taxation; legal and illegal immigrants stealing the best jobs; regulations choking businesses; huge debt and deficits shackling our capital resources; a government Obamacare system that added taxes and made health worse; and corporate offshoring, which created a weaker nation.

Mrs. Clinton was ready to continue this Obama program because she supported the former president's policies 100%. It did not matter to Mrs. Clinton that some think the people changed their mind by electing Joe Biden. Think hard about a candidate that could not find 100 people at any of his "rallies." His policies with Obama's had created the whole mess in the first place. The people clearly voted "NO." on Hillary and many think they voted No again in 2020. Is Joe Biden really our president? If he is, he is the worst ever for sure.

Can Ron DeSantis be as strong a president as Donald Trump was? That is what the people of the United States known as the voters will have to decide in 2024. That is why books like this are written so that the people can have the facts.

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# Preface

This book is to help awaken all Americans to the fact that though not everything is perfect, there are some very good leaders out there who do make a difference by keeping the high stakes in mind. Ron DeSantis is without a doubt the best governor in America and the people love him and respect him immensely. Donald Trump was arguably the best president in American history. He is ready to reapply for that role.

The Lefties in America complain to the media with all the hate they can muster and they stoke the hate every day about great public servants such as Governor DeSantis and former President Trump. Most people are more friendly than the media helps us understand. But, we can all do better for the good of us all. Love thy neighbor first in order to receive thy neighbor's love back.

A year or so ago, most people in the US did not know who Ron DeSantis was but after this latest election where the Governor of Florida crushed Charlie Crist in his reelection bid, everybody seems to know him now. Some who once loved only Trump think he might even make a good president someday. Some go so far as to suggest he ought to run against Trump in 2024. I am not one of those but like most people observing the state of the United States, I like Ron DeSantis an awful lot.

The people have a big role in complaining to the media about all the hate the press stokes every day. People are more friendly than the media helps us understand. But, we can all do better for the good of us all. Love thy neighbor first in order to receive thy neighbor's love back. Love both Trump and DeSantis as that will help the country more than all the hate in the world.

One of the best ways of determining how well a governor is doing is by examining what the pundits are saying about his prospects for reelection. Are there a lot of candidates who seem ready to expect a victory if they take him on? In the most recent gubernatorial election in Florida Ron DeSantis eclipsed a once popular politician from Florida Charlie Crist by nineteen points. That is amazing.



While Republicans did not pull off a red wave in the US Senate, they did win the House. If they did half as good as Ron DeSantis, there would have been a Red Tsunami if not a major tidal wave. It was that dominant.

Quite frankly, it was getting a little crowded around the political pool as Democrats dipped their toes in the water, wondering if they should jump in the race for Florida governor in 2022. By the time the primary rolled around, most were gone except for Charlie Crist who gained 59.2% of the vote to Nikki Fried's 35.4% which was called at 8:12 p.m. ET, with 90% of the vote in, according to NBC News.

Trying to gain the State's top job was tempting for many Democrat politicians but it was also daunting because other than the Democratic political class, Floridians liked the job Ron DeSantis had been doing for the past four years.

Though the politicians dream about having a shot at winning the governorship, potential candidates also acknowledge that denying Republican Gov. Ron DeSantis a second term would have been exceedingly difficult and then some. As experienced as he was, Crist found it an impossibility.

Some of the banter going into the primaries included this comment: "Can we win in 2022? It's going to be tough," said Gwen Graham, the former north Florida congresswoman who finished a close second in the multi-candidate 2018 gubernatorial primary. "Of course, it's possible." Graham said the November 2018 election "was a cakewalk compared to what 2022 is going to be for Democrats. We've got to be honest about it." She was right.

### **What will Trump do?**

One of the biggest uncertainties about 2022 is the remaining influence of the former president who now lives in Palm Beach Florida full-time. Ron DeSantis was always a big Trump supporter and Trump had thrown and was expected to throw a lot of support his way. Since Donald Trump stayed strong with over 200 endorsement victories v just 22 defeats, that certainly was expected to help Governor DeSantis beat any of the potential challengers. But, Trump has soured somewhat on the idea as some pundits are pushing DeSantis as a replacement for Trump on the Republican Presidential. That's why you are reading this book.

Democrat voters were united by the governor in that they all would like anything but a Biden Democrat supporter in office. It's difficult to overstate the intensity of their feelings about DeSantis, who has fashioned a style of combative conservative governance in the mold of Trump. He takes no crap and the people love it. They love freedom and DeSantis delivers freedom and he keeps businesses open so they can prosper.

His policies and his approach made him a favorite of many in the Trump universe. They are the same policies and approach that also make him anathema to Democrats who were ready to deny him a second term but they did not have the votes. Wishing alone could not make the Democrats successful running against the best governor in the United States since Ronald Reagan.

I would say with almost two years of Biden Schumer & Pelosi under their belts, the Democrats are not well liked in America today by most Americans, yet they somehow survive and do well in most election. e. The Florida Democrats, led by Charlie Crist could have just as well counted themselves out and saved their campaign funds.

Just like Trump's record will help DeSantis, the Biden and the Democrat's record in the House and the Senate and their impeachment spectacle should have been enough to keep them out of office in Florida and perhaps even the rest of the country for the long haul. Who wants to be wearing facemasks forever in a state in lockdown until way after the end of 2024? Think about it.

After reading all of the plaudits highlighting the accomplishments of Ron DeSantis as America's best governor, you can bet less of them were trying to dethrone him. He is back on the throne. Donald Trump of course on November 15 has reinserted himself in the Presidential Election Landscape. We will have a lot to say about that in this book for sure. 2024 is already getting exciting.

Picking on Trump today seems cool? Really?

In his upper seventies today, Donald Trump is easy to pick on but in his youth, he was bigger and stronger than most men and so they might call him a jerk behind his back, which a lot of men do today. But, if they thought they'd ever have to face him outside a bar for those words, they'd think twice about it.

Donald Trump never had to fear his manhood and he took no crap from anybody and just like most men who claim to be men, he still does not take any crap, no matter what the mainstream media, aka, the drive-by media think about it. What a treat to have such a man as our president even though his time was abruptly ended. The good news is that he is coming back to give it another try in two years. More good news is that if he bows out at any time, Rod DeSantis would be a perfect stand-in.

It is too bad that a dishonest and corrupt fourth estate (the drive-by media) reports the news in 2022 and 2023 or we all might have some truth to read. Our America is being destroyed by Biden and the radicals. The Democrats are wondering what happened to America just like the Republicans. But they are not brave enough to complain to the Dems in charge about their misgivings.

Trump gave Obama his due as president, while the press mocks Trump in all ways at all times. It has decided to call al-Baghdaddi a great scholar, like as if he never killed Americans. Trump is a better man than Biden and Obama combined. Look at their records.

Perhaps it is now clear why it is tough to trust the perspectives of today's hateful anti-Trump press when a terrorist like Al Baghdaddi is elevated and the president is mocked. This same press will come alive to spew hate on Ron DeSantis as soon as he makes his way to the top echelons of the Republican Party. Yes, Democrats have stoked most of the hate against Trump but if he stepped down they would quickly reposition that hate to the back of Ron DeSantis. They hate anybody who opposes their Marxist agenda.

Those who hate Trump unfortunately carry their nastiness to the outer limits of reason. For example a religious figure is OK until he says something nice about Trump. Well, for my money, Franklin Graham and his dad Billy Graham and the whole Graham family are worth more than thousands of Trump haters. And, I am a Roman Catholic.

Same for those looking to attack the Martin Luther King's family or Pastor Robert Jeffries. Here is one comment about a recent interview with Pastor Jeffries: Absolutely perfect dear pastor!!! God bless you!!!! I

still believe President Trump is not over !!!! Years to come together!!!  
God bless America.

Jeffries: “You know, I was watching TV one night, and I’ll never forget, I saw Pastor Jeffress saying, ‘Trump’s a lousy Christian, but he’s a good leader.’” The pastor interrupts himself to clarify. “Of course, I didn’t quite say it that way,”

Jeffries: God loves us all and thankfully God loves Joe Biden also

Democrats have not made prevarication an art form but they lie enough that they may one day. It is not good to lie, regardless of who it helps or who it hurts. We cannot solve our major divide while people in powerful positions lie about the facts. Shame on them! Right now, the corrupt press supports Ron DeSantis as their favorite Republican but that will change when the Florida Governor becomes a threat to them and their ways. There is no shame recognized today on anything. A Democrat victory of sorts. Are the Dems proud of that. I bet they don’t even know and if they did know, they would not care. It is that simple.



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# Chapter 1 Trump & DeSantis

## Introduction



After putting up with Joe Biden as what many have labeled as the worst US President ever for the last twenty-some months, approaching two years, it seems impossible but it sure seems like an awful lot more than just two years. Let me check my calendar. I mean an awful lot more.

No president has ever done so little to hurt so many in such a short time in our nations long history. Along with many other Americans, your author was really, really looking forward to the House and Senate elections on November 8. So much hope and so many expectations and so little to show for it all.

How did it happen? Actually most of us know but many do not talk about it as it is a downer and of course the media does not report it because there is a fear that somehow the Department of Justice will write their names down. Quick to the bottom line, we know that the Biden presidency has been filled with failure, weakness, and chaos and not much more. If, however, accomplishments were a negative

term, the report would be that there were a ton of accomplishments so far and many more expected tomorrow.

It has been happening for awhile now, and it is not expected to stop for another two years. As the world watches President Biden deliver any address including the state of the Union from March 2022, and his stump speeches in preparation to the recent midterms, it is important to remember that Biden has no announced plan to fix his self-made crises and make America great again. Whoosh, please do not use those four words: “make America great again” unless you bought mucho tickets recently to the DOJ Christmas Benefit.

President Biden, Speaker Pelosi, and Congressional Democrats' far-left socialist policies are hurting middle class families, destroying the economy, raising our cost of living, and damaging our relationships with our international allies. But Biden, the author of all American policy even parts clearly plagiarized, thinks everything is copacetic. But he is clearly wrong.

Meanwhile, Vladimir Putin, or “Vlad,” if you are a loyal Democrat, is launching an all-out invasion of Ukraine, which will have enormous consequences in the United States. The American people are suffering because of President Biden's broken promises and weak leadership. But after all this time waiting for something good to happen, most Americans, especially with no election red wave have basically given up at least for the next two years.

Among other important negative accomplishments, Bidenflation is crippling the American people's personal finances but it does not affect the President so he is AWOL on the issue. Both Trump and DeSantis care very much. Thanks to President Biden's out-of-control spending and destructive economic policies, inflation has reached its highest level in 40 years, with the consumer price index rising by 7.5 percent from January 2020 to January 2021. And it is jumping even further through 2022.

So, here we are at the beginning of a book that is designed to give the reader lots of information about Donald Trump and lots of information about Ron DeSantis and we just finished over a page on Joe Biden. Why would I do that? Well, it is simple. Biden is the guy who must be replaced and whenever anybody talks about the days to



come when there is no more Biden, it is incumbent upon the speaker or the writer to remind the public of why that is critical.

Now that that is done, let me say that getting rid of Biden is the objective so that we can save America. Whether the president is Trump or DeSantis once Biden is displaced, as the Germans's would say in their native tongue—machs nichts. That folks means it doesn't matter. Pick DeSantis. Pick Trump. Either way, America wins.

## **Saturday Nov 5: ND v Clemson & Trump Rally**

Like many of you, on the way to election day, with about four weeks remaining in the college football season, I was happy to find Notre Dame on National TV at home against Clemson. It was just four days away from election day on November 8. At the same exact time, there was a great big Trump Rally for Mehmet Oz and Doug Mastroianni and Jim Bognet in Latrobe PA. Decisions Decisions!

I looked forward to viewing a bit of Donald Trump 's rally after putting up with Biden's incoherent ramblings for two years. I saw it as a real treat. My brother had just called to tell me about the Trump / PA Republican Congress & Governor's rally on NewsMax TV.

My wife Pat and I were almost ready to relax ourselves in the family room in front of the big TV to watch the ND Clemson game. With about a half hour before the ND action began, our curiosity brought us to check the channel to see what was happening in Latrobe. Hearing somebody make sense about the country was a refreshing thought. It made us miss when we had a smart president in office and the country was sailing along well on its own power.

ND v Clemson was to be a good game but ND was expected to lose big. Being ND fans, that was not appealing. But, there was the chance of a stellar performance so we wanted to see the action. We figured we'd take just a few minutes for the Latrobe rally and then go back to the game. Once we tuned in to the rally, however, we were captured by the excitement of the crowd and Trump was right on the message. He was very presidential for the most part.

He was at his best and we knew we had been missing the positive and realistic rhetoric about the country for too long. So, we kept watching. We were rewarded with great information and even more positive feelings.

We knew that for the final weeks as the midterms were quickly approaching, the former president had been teasing a presidential campaign announcement. He made his announcement finally on November 15.

Recently, he said that he had a “big announcement” coming Tuesday. The former president had also taken aim directly at the Florida governor — likely his biggest competitor — warning him not to enter the race in 2024 because it would not be good for the party. I am not so sure about that.

My wife, Pat and I tuned in to the rally after this bluster had been spoken so we missed most of it. We were not ready for negative comments about Ron DeSantis. In fact, there was only one part of the hours of rally time that the former president said anything that hit us the wrong way. He called Ron DeSantis *Ron DeSanctimonious*. Pat and I looked at each other and we both said I hope he is not going to start that crap against one of the good guys.

Mr. Trump did not go back to bad comments about Ron DeSantis but he kept hinting about his announcing for the 2024 Presidency. We both hoped he would keep it muffled until well after Tuesday’s election because there are people who do not like Mr. Trump and we did not want him to change the focus from Oz and Mastroiani and Bognet to Trump negativism.

The former President Donald Trump nonetheless had a great rally in Latrobe Saturday to campaign for Republican candidates as Election Day was approaching. He had endorsed Republican candidates Doug Mastriano and Mehmet Oz in their respective gubernatorial and Senate races and he backed Jim Bognet for the Congressional seat occupied in PA District 8 against five term incumbent Democrat Matt Cartwright. .

The former President's rally at Arnold Palmer Regional Airport was part of a late blitz that would also take him to Florida and Ohio. He gave a wonderful tribute to Arnold Palmer of Latrobe and told some nice stories about the best golfer of all time.

Trump and Pat and I were hoping his rally would help all of the Republican candidates prevail.

Trump was obviously hoping a strong GOP showing on Tuesday would generate momentum for his 2024 run that he was expected to launch in the days or perhaps the weeks after the polls closed on Tuesday. My wife Pat and I hoped he would hold his fire until after the mid-terms so that his advancement did not stymie the elections of Republicans we all were hoping for.

Trump was on key most of the rally and he played to what the crowd was thinking as he decried what he called “a bloody crime wave” and warned that educators were indoctrinating children with “twisted race and gender” teachings. Of his Democratic opponents, Trump said, “They’re either stupid or they hate our country.” He got no argument from anybody at the rally on that point.

“If you want to stop the destruction of our country and save the American dream, then on Tuesday you must vote Republican in a giant red wave,” Trump told thousands of cheering supporters, describing the United States as “a country in decline.”

Trump enjoyed displaying recent poll numbers on the big screens at the rally and just once did he refer to DeSantis as “Ron DeSanctimonious.” As noted, that did not go over well.

And over and over, the former president discussed how he had been robbed of the 2020 election only because Democrats cheated, while he did raise the possibility of election fraud in the coming week. Many people at the rally also believed that there was election fraud in 2020 and were suspicious of fraud in the current election with mail-in ballots and early voting so prevalent. Ironically in Pennsylvania and a number of other states there were unexplained glitches with

machines and with problems with paper and supplies running low on Tuesday. It sure appeared that Trump may have been right.

Here is one of his hints at running. Each time Pat and I quivered as he hinted. "Everybody, I promise you, in the very next — very, very, very short period of time, you're going to be happy," Trump said of another White House bid. "But first we have to win a historic victory for Republicans on Nov. 8."

### **Trump has been increasingly explicit about his 2024 plans.**

After talking up his first two presidential runs, he told the crowd: "Now, in order to make our country successful and safe and glorious, I will very, very, very probably do it again, OK? Very, very, very probably. Very, very, very probably."

### **"Get ready, that's all I'm telling you. Very soon," he said.**

After Trump went through his typical closing at the end of the rally, Pat and I listened to some campaign music before we turned the Notre Dame Clemson Game back on. By the time we regained our relaxed positions for the game, we noticed we had missed almost the first three quarters. The Rally had been that stimulating. Both Pat and I felt we had used our time wisely as we were anticipating the big red wave on Tuesday.

We liked everything about the rally except when former-US President Donald Trump lashed out at Florida Governor Ron DeSantis, as the simmering rivalry between the two top Republicans apparently boiled over. Mr. Trump took some unexpected shots and belittled his former political apprentice as an "average" governor, lacking in "loyalty." When the former president made his formal announcement of November 15, in my opinion, he was perfect.

When the former president made his formal announcement of November 15, he was perfect. But you can't please everybody.

In the words of the Garden Party guy, Ricky Nelson. Lodda Dodda Dottum, Dotta Dotta Die, you can't please everyone so you got to please yourself. The Democrats were not happy that Trump was

running and just like when he came down the escalator for his first run, they fired some nasties at Trump almost immediately.

Yes, as expected, the Democratic Party issued a crass statement responding to former President Donald Trump's announcement that he is running for the presidency in 2024. They wasted no time predicting that he will lose.

"Donald Trump was a failure as president; that's why he lost in 2020 and it's why he will lose again," DNC Chair Jaime Harrison said in a statement about Trump's candidacy. Harrison said it would be likely that other Republicans would try to contest Trump's effort to snag the Republican nomination. Still, he said the Democratic Party would "be ready for them all."

If Ron DeSantis had announced, the Democrats would have not been a bit nicer. Whomever the Republican nominee turns out to be, their rhetoric will be the same.



## Chapter 2 The Election Drumroll & the Results

It seemed like forever but finally election day came. While Ron DeSantis was running for a second term for Governor of Florida, Donald Trump was the head cheerleader for several hundred Republican candidates Running for offices such as the US Senate, the US House, State Treasurers, Governors, and various lower level offices. Though the Democrats would be sure to call the game after one failed Trump candidate at any level, and they did mock his showing as the big Red Wave did not materialize as expected, Trump's candidates actually did very well.

Like everything else you may want to know about Donald Trump, just ask a Democrat and see how many lies they tell. If you expect a big number, you won't be wrong. The same goes for Primary election and then the general election. There is no question that former President Donald Trump loomed large over Republican primary races across the country, while playing the kingmaker role to steer the GOP's trajectory with his coveted endorsement. Trump finished the primary season strong with about 92% of his preferred candidates crossing the finish line.

In total, according to the Washington Examiner, Trump's candidates garnered 217 primary wins and 19 primary losses. Not a shabby record—but don't expect to hear any praise coming from the left about anything Trump. Same goes for the RINOS and the never Trumpers. Two weeks after the general election in which Trump also did quite well, they continue to mock Trump on the lack of a Red Wave and they also have nasty things to say about his recently announced 2024 candidacy. Don't forget, the Republicans won the House.

Though a number of Trump endorsed candidates pulled off victories in the general, his record was not as good as it was in the primary. This led the usual suspects – Democrats, RINOS, and Never Trumpers to claim that Trump is no longer a factor in elections. But if this were so, they would not be spending so much time talking him

down as he still occupies a big section of their minds where he lives rent free.

## **Lots of people favor DeSantis**

The biggest winner, who was a candidate also in the general election was Ron DeSantis who captured the governorship of Florida for the second time in a row. Mr. DeSantis, 44, won re-election in a landslide in Tuesday's midterms, sealing his status as one of the Republican front-runners for the presidency. He won by 19 points over Democrat Charley Crist

## **Back to Saturday November 5, 2022—the big game**

As noted in Chapter 1, we had missed most of the ND Clemson game because we were preoccupied with the Latrobe PA Trump Rally for his endorsed PA candidates. But, we were OK with it. Earlier in the evening, by virtue of Pitt's win over Syracuse, Clemson had clinched a place in the ACC Championship Game. This game will take place in Charlotte on Dec. 3.

The game itself was as good as it could have been for ND fans like us. Offensively, the Irish did much better than quite well. The Irish pounded out 348 yards with 85 through the air. They hit the line for 263 rushing yards. Both Pat and I would say it was one of the best ND games we had ever seen.

Notre Dame got on the board first. With 9:08 left in the first quarter, Prince Kollie returned a blocked punt 17 yards for a Notre Dame touchdown. The Irish would score another touchdown with 38 seconds left in the first half, making the score 14-0 at the half. Pat and I flipped back just once from the Trump Rally so we did know ND was doing so well.

Coach Dabo Swinney took out Uiagalele, the Clemson QB, and he put in substitute Cade Klubnik. It turned out not to be a good move. He entered the game with 1:30 left in the third quarter. He threw an interception on his first pass attempt. This gave Notre Dame the ball on the Clemson 14-yard line. The Irish scored three plays later to take a 21-0 lead.



Swinney reinserted Uiagalelei at quarterback on their following possession. He led the Tigers 56 yards before Benjamin Morrison intercepted his pass and returned it 96 yards for another ND touchdown, increasing Notre Dame's lead to 28-0 with 12:58 left to play. ND Fans went wild. My wife Pat was energized.

Shipleigh got Clemson on the scoreboard with 10:14 left in the fourth quarter, punching the ball into the end zone with a one-yard rushing touchdown. The Irish added one more touchdown with 4:16 left in the fourth quarter.

Clemson scored the game's final points, as Uiagalelei threw a four-yard touchdown pass to Joseph Ngata. What a night! A great rally and a great game

\*\*\* End of ND Game Highlights \*\*\*

**Was Mr. Trump was a little jealous of the FL Governor's election success.**

With his great showing on Tuesday, defeating his opponent by 19 points, Ron DeSantis emerged as the Republican Party's brightest rising star. The pundits now widely expect him to run for the party's 2024 White House nomination. I have yet to hear Mr. DeSantis make even the slightest comment about that.

But Mr. Trump, 76, looked increasingly likely that if DeSantis does decide to run, he will stand in his way. Trump at this point on Saturday had put off his announcement until November 15.

The former president, who has a massive campaign war chest and remains hugely popular with the party's base would be a formidable opponent for Mr. DeSantis, or any other Republican who dares to challenge him.

George Conway, husband of former Trump Aide Kelly Ann Conway says that DeSantis, at 44, is young enough to wait for an opportune moment, rather than go into an all-out bloody and muddy slugfest against Trump during the 2024 election cycle.

"He's rational, unlike Trump," Conway said. George Conway despite his wife's role in the Trump White House is not a fan of the former president.

Conway added that he thought the newly re-elected Florida governor would continue to raise money and build his won "massive war chest." He speculated that DeSantis will leave open the possibility of running, then wait until the 2028 race to become the "leading candidate" for the GOP.

Trump and DeSantis are currently the leading contenders for the 2024 Republican presidential ticket, though on this particular Saturday in November, neither had yet announced a run for the presidency.

My wife Pat put out that she thought DeSantis and Trump should get together and DeSantis should go for the top spot and Trump for the VEEP. Whichever way you combine them it could be as much as twelve straight years of Republican Presidents. Trump more than likely after being #1 twice would probably resist being #2. But, in the unlikely event he wanted to have it a little easier in the following four years, I think along with my wife pat it would be a winning ticket for the American people.

As time went by after the election, the former president took more time to deride his potential opponent. In a lengthy statement on Thursday night after the election for example, Mr. Trump dismissed the Florida governor as a political lightweight who had come to him "in desperate shape" when running for his first term in office in 2017. In my opinion, none of this helps America. I liked the president's tome when he announced his candidacy. The barbs v Republicans help nothing. Trump often has a spiel he must get out and this was one of those times. By the time he announced the following week, he kept the barb machine buttoned.

"Ron had low approval, bad polls, and no money, but he said that if I would endorse him, he could win," Mr. Trump once said. "I also fixed his campaign, which had completely fallen apart."

Trump went on to complain that Mr. DeSantis was "playing games" by refusing to rule out a presidential bid. "Well, in terms of loyalty and class, that's really not the right answer," Mr. Trump added. As noted, the former president announced his own plan for a White House comeback the following Tuesday on November 15.

While Mr. DeSantis was basking in the glow of his smashing re-election victory, Mr. Trump was being blamed by a number of pundits for the Republicans' disappointing performance in the midterm elections. A number of pundits such as Sebastian Gorka quickly came to Trump's defense. Ron DeSantis kept his cool and acted like a gentleman at all times.

Being a gentleman is not something that Mr. Trump always takes naturally. Trump is clearly a great leader and most Americans would rather a great leader than a first class gentleman.

The race for control of the House of Representatives and Senate went down to the wire. Two days after Americans went to the polls, it remained unclear which party would control the twin chambers of Congress. As we know, the Republicans won the house and so far, notwithstanding Herschel Walker in December, the Democrats took the Senate.

The anti-Trump pundits' perception was that voters by and large rejected candidates who backed Mr Trump's supposedly baseless claims of election fraud in 2020, and many of his high-profile picks for office struggled or lost outright. That's not how Trump sees it as he cited many victories v few defeats in his backed candidates.

Though a number of close allies of the ex-president had called for him to reconsider what he had teased to be a big announcement on November 15, Trump threw his hat in the ring and came out swinging.

Trump fought the pundits again. "Republicans have followed Donald Trump off the side of a cliff," one former Trump adviser, David Urban, told the New York Times.

"I think he needs to put it [his campaign announcement] on pause," Kayleigh McEnany, Trump's former press secretary, told Fox News. The former president did not take anybody's advice. His campaign is now in full gear.

Mr. DeSantis' 19-point win over his Democratic rival Charlie Crist has, by contrast, drawn universal acclaim from conservative and RINO and Democrat commentators.

His margin of victory in Miami-Dade county - traditionally a Democratic stronghold - was the largest win by a Republican in four decades.

According to an October Ipsos poll, 72% of registered Republicans said Mr. DeSantis should have a great deal or good amount of influence on the future of the party. Some 64% said the same of Mr. Trump, 76. The governor did not immediately respond to Mr. Trump's jibes on Thursday. My wife and I hope he stays quiet and Trump remains the gentleman we know he can be.

## **Who will win the Betting Markets?**

After his great performance on November 8, online betting markets began to give Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis (R) the edge to win the White House in 2024, overtaking former President Trump in the wake of Tuesday's midterm elections. The Betting Markets do not always present current reality as Governor DeSantis in essence told his supporters and others to cool their jets

As Trump was preparing for his November 15 announcement of his third presidential campaign, the Governor, in public and behind closed doors avoided directly responding to the former president – or even mentioning him by name, while he still offered sharp contrasts between the two dueling Republican figures.

Specifically, in Lee County, just days after the election, DeSantis called for people asking about his new rivalry with Trump to “chill out a little bit.” That’s the same as cool your jets. The governor has not been hiding from the crowds at all as he has been touting his own

performance in last week's midterm elections compared to the inadequate performance of the GOP in the rest of the country.

Ron DeSantis told the people that he had just finished a major election and basically was not ready for a new engagement already. For example, he sounded off to a group of Republican donors about his impressive 19-point win in his reelection.

He outlined his electoral strength in the suburbs, his rural turnout effort and his appeal among Latino voters in his victorious reelection effort. One thing he still chooses not to do is to bring up Trump, who had no problem taking full credit days before the election for turning Florida into a red state.

When DeSantis spoke from the election on, he has been received well and most often the crowds gave the Governor a nice standing ovation at the conclusion.

While we are so close to the recent election DeSantis is keeping his future plans close to the vest. Those who get near to the Florida governor believe he does not intend to announce his plans any time before May. In the meantime, they expect him to avoid direct confrontations with the former president. They expect him to steer clear of that chatter. Instead, the Governor, clearly emboldened by his 1.5 million-vote win, is staking out plans for a second-term agenda that will continue to galvanize supporters.

The bettors odds nonetheless for the 2024 presidential race jumped to 28 percent on Wednesday, while Trump's dropped to 18.4 percent, according to Election Betting Odds, a tracking website run by conservative pundit John Stossel and his executive producer Maxim Lott that looked at the odds offered by multiple other forums.

Two of the sites that Election Betting Odds pulls from — Betfair and Smarkets — showed DeSantis holding a substantial lead over Trump, with the Florida governor coming in at 27 percent to 27.8 percent and the former president at 18.2 to 18.5 percent.

*PredictIt* showed a slimmer lead, with DeSantis at 31 percent to 32 percent and Trump at 28 to 29 percent.

President Biden is low man on the totem pole sitting below both Republicans in the 2024 presidential odds, with 15.2 percent, although he was up 3 percent from the day before.

The shift came after Tuesday's midterm elections failed to provide the promised "red wave" that the Republican Party had hoped for. With Trump putting his name behind GOP candidates in several major races, the midterms were largely framed as a referendum on the former president and his MAGA wing of the party. Trump successfully supported over 200 candidates while losing just 22.

DeSantis, meanwhile, cruised to an easy reelection, fueling speculation on the right that if he chose to run, he could be the heir apparent for the party's nomination. We'll see! Before the polls even closed in the 2022 midterm elections, both Trump and DeSantis were fueling 2024 chatter. The business of running the country is surely unsettled.

# Chapter 3 Ron DeSantis Victory Speech 2022

Notwithstanding former President Trump's input on the subject, Ron DeSantis mopped the floor with Charlie Crist on Tuesday November 8

Charlie Crist who was so busy in his life's mission, that his occupation, for so many years, could have been described as *politician*, had been positioned to be a formidable foe to the FL Governor. That was before the results came in. However, he had already run out of gas from so many other attempts at big pol jobs over the years that he simply did not measure up.

There were many new people transplants to Florida in recent years especially during COVID. Most probably did not know on November 8 about Charlie Crist's full political history and the roles he had played in Florida over the years.

What they probably did not realize was that Crist, 66, was once Florida's governor from 2007-11. He was also the Republican who replaced term-limited Jeb Bush after he defeated Democrat Jim Davis in the general election.

Crist had held a number of very important offices in Florida from U.S. Senator, education commissioner, and attorney general before becoming governor. Most recently, he served in the U.S. House, representing District 13, covering Clearwater to southern Pinellas County.

During his time between working in important positions, Crist was busy shifting from Republican to Independent to Democrat. The Beach Boys might have been willing to offer him their hit tune "I Get Around" for his victory lap if he succeeded this time v DeSantis but he didn't make it. Ron DeSantis instead celebrated a great victory.

On Tuesday, Governor DeSantis gave his outstanding victory speech before a packed house at the Florida Convention Center. He was clearly pleased with his 19-point victory over the aforementioned stalwart candidate Democrat Charlie Crist. When you go over the elements of his speech, there is little wonder why these issues carried the election for him.

But, many feel there is some wonder about why President Trump chose to lash out against the victorious Republican. Most of us had hoped that the former President would hold his fire and perhaps not fire at all against a fellow Republican team member. Republican electors are looking for some unity and a plan to whip the Democrats in 2024.

### **Governor DeSantis began his speech:**

Thank you very much. Well, thank you so much.

Over these past four years, we've seen major challenges for the people of our state, for the citizens of the United States, and above all, for the cause of freedom. We saw freedom in our very way of life and so many other jurisdictions in this country wither on the vine.

Florida held the line. We chose facts over fear. We chose education over indoctrination. We chose law and order over rioting and disorder. Florida was a refuge of sanity when the world went mad.

We stood as a citadel of freedom for people across this country and indeed across the world. We faced attacks, we took the hits, we weathered the storms, but we stood our ground. We did not back down. We had the conviction to guide us and we had the courage to lead. We made promises. We made promises to the people of Florida, and we have delivered on those promises.

And so today, after four years, the people have delivered their verdict. Freedom is here to stay. Thank you very much. Thank you. Now, thanks to the overwhelming support of the people of



Florida, we not only won an election, we have rewritten the political map.

Thank you for honoring us with a win for the ages. I want to thank all of our campaign staff, from campaign manager etc. This was the best-run campaign in the history of Florida politics. I want to thank all of our wonderful volunteers who worked so hard to get out the vote. Your support means the world to Casey and I. God bless you and thank you.

Now, it's a lot easier to run a good campaign when you've got a great record to run on, and I would not have been able to see the level of accomplishments that we saw unless I had outstanding personnel working in the executive office of the governor, as well as heading state agencies.

These folks worked hard to implement our agenda. They believed in our agenda and the results have been historic. Thank you for your support and work. Thank you to Miami-Dade County. Thank you to Palm Beach County. Now, we're still tallying the votes, but it's clearly apparent that in this election we will have garnered a significant number of votes from people who may not have voted for me four years ago. And I just want to let you know, I am honored to have earned your trust and your support over these four years.

And most importantly of all, thank you to the greatest First Lady in all 50 states for being a great wife, giving unwavering support, being a tremendous mother to our three young children, and serving as an example for women throughout this state, especially going through the battle of cancer. She is remarkable.

Now, today is the culmination of the 2022 fall elections. But in reality, Americans have been voting for many years now. They've been voting with their feet, and the results of that behavior has been just as stark as our landslide victory today.

States and cities governed by leftist politicians have seen crime skyrocket. They've seen their taxpayers abused, they've seen medical authoritarianism imposed, and they've seen American principles discarded. The woke agenda has caused millions of Americans to leave these jurisdictions for greener pastures.

Now, this great exodus of Americans, for those folks, Florida, for so many of them, has served as the promise land. We have embraced freedom. We have maintained law and order. We have protected the rights of parents. We have respected our taxpayers, and we reject woke ideology.

We fight the woke in the legislature. We fight the woke in the schools. We fight the woke in the corporations. We will never, ever surrender to the woke mob. Florida is where woke goes to die. People have come here because our policies work. Leadership matters. We refuse to use polls and put our finger in the wind. Leaders don't follow. They lead. We set out a vision, we executed on that vision and we produced historic results.

And the people of this state have responded in record fashion. Now, while our country flounders due to failed leadership in Washington, Florida is on the right track. I believe the survival of the American experiment requires a revival of true American principles. Florida has proven that it can be done. We offer a ray of hope that better days still lie ahead.

I am proud of our achievements in this state. I am honored by your support and I look forward to the road ahead. I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race in this first term, and I have kept the faith. We've accomplished more than anybody thought possible four years ago. But we've got so much more to do and I have only begun to fight. God bless you all. Thank you very much. Thank you for a historic landslide victory.

\*\*\* End of DeSantis Victory Speech \*\*\*

## Chapter 4 Will DeSantis Run or Not?

Will the triumphant Ron DeSantis' victory in November 2022 mean that the best Governor in America will now decide to run for President. Time will tell. Governor DeSantis clearly would make a great President as Donald Trump did before Joe Biden messed up most of his accomplishments.

Folks in my family are not looking to find a battle between great Republicans such as Governor DeSantis and former President Trump. Just as it was through his four years as president, there are still far too many who look to demean Trump every chance they get.

In fact, they enjoyed taking to time to talk about a number of Republicans who put a lot of distance between themselves and Trump. They claim that those that did were the Tuesday election's peak performers. I am not so sure.

Clearly the one they highlight, Ron DeSantis, according to the Anti-Trumpers, sent Trump into spasms because the Florida governor "would not kiss the pontiff's ring." They say he didn't ask for Trump's endorsement. He didn't want his stump speech, his rally or even his robocall. So what?

He ignored Trump, and after the midterms, the former president reportedly expressed rage. Then Trump answered the silence with some nasty remarks. For example, they say that he threatened to divulge dark secrets about DeSantis if the governor decides to run for the 2024 Republican nomination for president. I know that my family does not like that kind of talk. I would advise both DeSantis and Trump to avoid such collisions and try to work together. Otherwise Biden will become another four term Roosevelt

To sum up some of the negative post-election banter, the press has former President Donald Trump as the major perpetrator as they claim he issued fresh broadsides against two Republican governors who have captured the hearts and minds of many Americans.

I know that I would not mind either as a presidential candidate in 2024 – Governor Glenn Youngkin or Governor Ron DeSantis. I like Trump also. These two fine leaders emerged as early favorites to challenge Donald Trump for the party's 2024 presidential nomination. That's OK. Just leave the nasty rhetoric where it belongs—no place.

Trump clearly does not like talk of competition for 2024. He recently claimed without offering evidence that, during his time as president , he sent the FBI to intervene in Florida to help Ron DeSantis in his 2018 race. If he did that, thank you President Trump. Republicans are supposed to help Republicans and that's the way most Americans like it.

The former President also took some time after the election to mock Virginia's Glenn Youngkin's name, saying it sounded *Chinese*. That helps nobody. We already mentioned his slam of *Ron DeSanctimonious*. Many hope that Trump settles down like he did in his announcement speech and all Republicans get together to fight the real foes. Republicans know them as the dirty, nasty Democrats.

Trump's advisers see a political landscape fundamentally changed by the former president as millions of voters remain loyal to his America First agenda. Folks in my family do not want Mr. Trump to dilute the affection he has gained with Americans by offering gratuitous nasty comments about potential opponents. Please keep it buttoned Mr. President if it isn't helpful for the country and it doesn't help defeat the not so nice Democrats..

# Chapter 5 Ron DeSantis: The Best United States Governor

Ron DeSantis is to Governors what Donald Trump is to Presidents—The Best!

More and more Americans and most Floridians every day say Governor Ron DeSantis is the best governor ever. Many go so far as to admit that he is without a doubt the best current governor in the United States of America. Why? Like Trump, DeSantis has more than delivered on the promises that he made to Floridians upon taking office in January, 2018.

Governor DeSantis tackles the issues that are important to Floridians and the well-being of the state, and he does it now and he keeps his promises to continue his policies into the future. His great response to the COVID-19 pandemic is just one major area in which he has recently excelled while keeping Florida mostly open and not suffering extensive business losses. Ron DeSantis is clearly one of a kind.

He has gained the attention of the nation and is now held in such high regard that, even though he has not announced a desire to be US President, he is at the top of many lists that have him pitted at all comers for the top spot in the country. The two top contenders in November 2022 are Governor DeSantis and Former President Donald Trump who on November 15, 2022 announced his candidacy for the nation's highest office.

Florida has achieved historic accomplishments that are of the utmost importance to Floridians and will bring the state to the next level. In conjunction with the Florida Legislature and federal, state and local partners, Florida has secured major successes for the environment, education, hurricane recovery, economic development, public safety, military, health care and more.

Ron DeSantis said the following explaining how he thinks: "Every day, I wake up grateful for the opportunity to go to work on behalf of

Floridians. While we can reflect and be proud of these accomplishments, there is always more that can be done.”

The governor has been very aggressive in obtaining vaccine for the state’s citizens and he executed a realistic plan to get it into their arms. Since the beginning of the public health emergency, Governor DeSantis has put Florida’s Seniors First. Seniors love him for that

Florida was the first state in the nation to vaccinate more than 500,000 individuals 65 years of age or older and is one of only three states to administer vaccines to more than one million people.

According to publicly available age demographic data, Florida continues to have the highest percentage of vaccines administered to seniors 65 and older, with vaccinations in that age bracket accounting for nearly 65% of total vaccinations in the state. “Florida remains steadfast in our commitment to putting Seniors First and the numbers speak for themselves” said Governor DeSantis.

Florida Walmart and Sam’s Club locations have long been vaccinating seniors. There are 119 Walmart’s in 34 counties who have received tons of doses of the vaccine and as needed the numbers kept growing.

Early on in the game, Florida took a lead role in protecting its citizens. Governor Ron DeSantis and Palm Beach County Mayor Dave Kerner highlighted the success of their partnership to put Seniors First in Palm Beach County for vaccine distribution. It has been this way from the beginning as well over 146,000 seniors 65 and older in Palm Beach County alone received the vaccine in the early months of the pandemic.

At the time, this represented over 40 percent of all seniors in Palm Beach County. Statewide, Florida continued to far outpace the rest of the nation in vaccinations of seniors with over 1.3 million seniors 65 and older vaccinated, which accounts for a substantial portion—about 70% of all seniors in the state. “Florida continues to lead the nation in vaccinations of seniors, and in counties like Palm Beach, and areas like the Villages, we have made great progress by working with Mayor Kerner to vaccinate most of their senior population,” said Governor DeSantis.

## What made Ron DeSantis a great governor?

In a word, “LOTS!”

Let’s begin by recounting the historic investments in Florida’s Education System. At the top of the education list, he asked for and achieved the highest ever per-pupil spending totals at \$7,793 per student, an increase of more than \$137 per student over the previous year.

He also fought for pay raises for Florida teachers and he secured \$500 million to raise the minimum teacher salary and provide raises for veteran teachers and other instructional personnel, boosting Florida to top five in the nation for starting teacher pay.

Concerned about flexibility for families and educators during the COVID-19 During COVID, he managed the public health emergency better than governors in any other state in the union causing many residents from other states to migrate to Florida. They voted for Florida with their feet.

DeSantis successfully advocated for the return of college and high school and even professional sports throughout the state as well as activities such as youth sports leagues and summer camps. He supported the Buccaneers hosting the Super Bowl, bringing the state a few extra kudos for the win.

He allocated over \$625 million for the protection of water resources over several years. This included over \$322 million for Everglades restoration and \$50 million for springs restoration; \$160 million for targeted water quality improvements; \$40 million for alternative water supply \$25 million to combat harmful algal blooms and red tide. The Governor also provided over \$28 million in local water projects.

He also approved the acquisition of 15 Florida Forever parcels totaling more than 42,000 acres in conservation lands, to preserve Florida’s natural treasures and lands for future generations of Floridians.

He also announced more than \$5 million in grant funding for the South Florida Water Management District and Florida Atlantic University's Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute to protect and study water quality.

He supported Floridians in vitally important mental health & substance abuse initiatives.

## Doing Everything Well

Among all his specific accomplishment, the Governor is credited with simply practicing good governance. It is not so easy folks, or every governor would be doing it. For example, he Made 61 judicial appointments across various courts throughout the state and expanded representation of historically underrepresented groups, including women and racial minorities, on the bench.

Of the newly appointed judges, nearly 40% are female and nearly 30% are minorities. Along with many other successful initiatives, he also championed and signed Senate Bill 1326, the Department of Children and Families Accountability Act, which reinstates a system of accountability within Florida's child welfare system and restored the department's role in driving performance internally, as well as among all community-based care (CBC) lead agencies and managing entity providers.

None of this would matter if like many other states, the state economy went to hell because of lockdowns. This did not happen in Florida. Governor DeSantis kept his finger on the pulse on the economic development & prosperity of the State. For example, just one of his acts was that he spearheaded and signed "The Occupational Freedom and Opportunity Act." This eliminated barriers of entry to certain professions licensed by the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

He also made multiple announcements regarding commercial aerospace companies relocating to Florida. For example, he announced that "Made In Space" will relocate their headquarters and



satellite manufacturing operations from California to Florida much to the chagrin of the California Governor.

Recognizing how important free and fair elections are in every state, the Governor ensured elections security and efficiency by partnering with local governments and supervisors of elections to successfully administer three statewide elections in 2020, including the general election. Florida received national accolades for example for finishing the November 8 vote tally before the end of election day despite having one of the largest voting populations. His accomplishments in office go on and on.

The governor is well noted for his leadership during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. For example, in 2020, Governor DeSantis oversaw the largest statewide emergency activation response in Florida history. During the public health emergency, the Governor protected Florida's most vulnerable residents and spearheaded a series of executive orders establishing common-sense, data-driven policies to ensure a thoughtful and targeted approach to mitigating the spread of COVID-19 in Florida.

By mobilizing all resources of state government, Governor DeSantis charged the Florida Division of Emergency Management, the Florida Department of Health and the Agency for Health Care Administration with an all-hands-on-deck approach to supporting Florida's hospital system, 67 county health departments and to 4,000 long-term care facilities to mitigate the spread of the virus. These agencies worked with federal, private and non-profit partners to support the needs of Floridians. The influx of people from other states is a tribute to this fine work.

Since the beginning of the public health emergency in Florida, Governor DeSantis has taken swift and decisive action to protect the state's most vulnerable populations, including those over the age of 65, residents of long-term care facilities and individuals with underlying health conditions. The Governor's early actions during the public health emergency saved thousands of lives and have inspired similar policies in other states and at the federal level. He is

recognized within Florida and in most states of the nation as an excellent leader—a fine Governor.

## Chapter 6 Governor Ron DeSantis Still #1 in Florida



### So how did this chapter come to be?

I once wrote a book about Ron Desantis as the best governor in the United States. He clearly is exactly that. Before that book, I had written 267 other books and was working on my 268<sup>th</sup> when I started to think about our upcoming vacation trip to Florida. It was after a call I had received from the Villages about coming back to recheck-out the Villages. I informed the nice representative we would not be going to the Villages this particular year but we love the Villages and we will be back again as soon as we can.

I also said that yes, we are thinking of one day perhaps living there. It is so nice. She told me all I needed to know that Florida is THE PLACE in the US to go during the pandemic. And, the reason IMHO, is the good governance of their Governor, Ron DeSantis. You can't get anybody better than Ron DeSantis to head your state.

Governor DeSantis was officially certified as the winner of the Florida general election on November 20, 2018. It was a tight election but Floridians by a small majority used their good senses to vote for the right guy. This most recent time, his victory in 2022, was a tsunami. Whew just writing those words creates a major breeze in my face.

## Who is Ron DeSantis

So we all know, Ron DeSantis was raised by working-class parents, much like yours and mine. From his modest beginnings, he was able to make some great moves . First he went to the Ivy League for school and sports and then he served in the U.S. military and then he went on to Congress. He has a great story and great credentials. Ron DeSantis has produced a biography for any occupation, especially politics. It could not be better if a strategist had concocted it.



A former journalist, Casey DeSantis is a trusted confidant who calls the shots on her husband's image,

His Wife Casey is always in his corner—every step of the way. When asked why voters should pick DeSantis in the bubble next to her husband's name when he ran for governor, she responded that “Ron's story” should impress people, as an indication of his work

ethic and integrity — yet another reminder of how heavily his campaign has hinged on his biography.”

Before I move on, let me say that Casey DeSantis is as impressive as her husband. My wife Pat is one of her best fans. Pat loves seeing Casey at the rally's with the little DeSantis Munchkinettis--a really fine American sight. So I am saying that Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis' not-so-secret political weapon is his cancer-surviving loving wife and mother to their children—Casey DeSantis. Together, they are an impressive American family.

Dressed in a hip-hugging golden gown in the picture above, her brunette locks flowing to one side, Casey DeSantis could have been mistaken for a Hollywood celebrity or a beauty queen when she appeared onstage in Tampa Tuesday behind her victorious husband after he trounced his opponent and won a second term as Florida governor.

But Florida's first lady, a former journalist and cancer survivor who is raising the family's three small children, is very much a Super Woman and the perfect partner to call the shots on image strategy as Ron DeSantis' political fortunes continue to rise.

Ron DeSantis, the Republican bright star, who coasted to re-election after beating Democratic rival Charlie Crist by 19 percentage points Tuesday, is a lucky guy and he knows it. He is looking forward to helping Florida achieve even more greatness. So far it seems at least that the idea of being president are other people's fascinations. Possible but maybe not.

DeSantis is a special character who has been making headlines all his life or 44 years so far. When he was just a 12-year-old, for example, the lanky “D” DeSantis, as he was called, made the newspaper headlines for his baseball triumphs. How about this headline “This D Powered Dunedin,” [by the way Dunedin is a location by Clearwater Florida] the people read in the St. Petersburg Times in 1991, preceded the 12-year old saying that he was “pumped” for his team's win against their Seminole foes.

In another article, he was described as “one of the team’s aces on the mound and a top hitter at the plate.” He was a fine athlete at an early age. It was with that level of discipline that he earned admission to Yale for his undergraduate career. At Yale, he studied history and political science, while simultaneously serving as the captain of the baseball team. He was a hit in the classroom with a 3.75 GPA and he was a great hitter, with a .336 batting average.

After considering becoming a history teacher in Georgia, he decided to attend Harvard Law School and then he became a lawyer for the U.S. Navy.—the Judge Advocate General's Corps, also known as JAG or JAG Corps. He was assigned to Guantánamo Bay and Iraq, advising troops on their legal parameters when handling prisoners.

Ron DeSantis left active duty in the military in February 2010. Like many others, he stayed on to continue serving his country in the reserves as a lieutenant commander. In this capacity, he worked in Mayport, near Jacksonville. He was deemed to be the epitome of professionalism by his commanding officer, Capt. Dan Bean.

In this new role, DeSantis advised active duty military lawyers in the southeast United States on how to proceed with sensitive military cases. He won cases ranging from drug use to allegations of rape.

After considering a run for the Legislature, DeSantis instead won a seven-way Republican primary and from this effort he gained the congressional seat for Florida’s sixth district.

He made a name for himself by creating his image on Capitol Hill of a strict adherence to duty. He put in a ton of time preparing for his time on the legislature floor by working and often sleeping in his office. He refused to sign up for his congressional pension and healthcare, and he also called for term limits—in his first term.

Ron DeSantis was one of the founders of the Freedom Caucus, the ultra-conservative group that pushed then-Republican House Speaker John Boehner into early retirement for being too moderate. Known as hard-liners who drew their politics from the Tea Party movement, the Freedom Caucus continues as a force for the good with which to be reckoned. They also drove the federal government to the brink of

shutdown over Obama's questionable executive orders on immigration.

DeSantis moved on after resigning from Congress in September when he was running for governor the first time. He cited his need to focus on the governor's race and said "it would be inappropriate to accept a salary" while he was on the campaign trail.

Everybody knows now what a great choice this was for the people back then. It did not come easy. The first victory followed a machine recount. DeSantis defeated the Democratic nominee who was also the Mayor of Tallahassee, Andrew Gillum.

Nobody denies that Governor DeSantis's tenure as governor had been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The corrupt press tried to elevate other Democratic Governors who locked their states down to be ranked ahead of Governor DeSantis. Their actions, such as Cuomo in NY and Pritzker of Illinois, and Murphy of New Jersey, caused many unnecessary hospitalizations and deaths, especially among the elderly in their states.

Despite all the negative rhetoric cobbled together by a corrupt press, the Florida Governor has been a great administrator in tough times. Many who are affected give him full credit with being the reason why people from across the country are still enjoying Florida as visitors. My wife Pat and I and my brother Joe and his wife Diane are frequently scheduling vacations to Florida. We're sold.

Many more are still uprooting their lives in lockdown areas and crime ridden areas like NY and moving south for the opportunity to live in the great Sunshine State.

Many pick on Governor DeSantis because the Democrats have been taught to hate Trump and all other Republicans who might support Trump. Governor DeSantis backed Trump and he paid the price in the corrupt press coverage. From my perspective there are still Dems who think their Party is like it once was and see the Party in the same positive light such as back when the Democrats actually championed the good of the people. Those days we know are long gone.

There is little difference today between socialists, leftists, Marxists, communists and Democrats. Listen to them, especially if you are a long-time Democrat like me who had been expecting good things for the people. See who they really are. It is disgusting. Ron DeSantis knows who they are and that is why he keeps their flawed policies out of Florida

The closest the people get to that kind of government where the good of the people are the main purpose for government is when they elect Republicans. Governor DeSantis represents good government. Despite hard proof to the contrary, the Dems keep the narrative stirring in the complicit press through lies after lies and then more lies. But, anybody paying attention knows what's what.

Ron DeSantis is my choice and the choice of many others for the best governor ever in the US. He recently reengaged and prepared for another four years. I heard Robert Cordaro, filling in for Jason Barski on WILK Radio, a local PA station, this morning while I was waiting for my wife to complete her doctor's appointment. He cited Ron DeSantis as one of the most effective governors in dealing with the COVID-19. And he cited Florida as the best state. He is right.

If there were a contest for best governor, and there is not, for the past four years, Ron DeSantis would have tough competition today as there were a number of other top national Republican governors who have done the right thing. None, however, were and are as effective as DeSantis. I list ten competitors below in no order of importance. Some are even out of my personal favor because the list is fluid.

I see Governor DeSantis as a Trump-like Governor—he is the best just like Donald Trump was the best president in modern times. He beats out all the great conservative governors in my book. He is the best regardless of the constant attacks by the liberal press. He is not a unanimous choice because the competition is so tough. However he is my choice and he is the best regardless. .

ALEC stands for The American Legislative Exchange Council. It is a nonprofit organization of conservative state legislators and private sector representatives who draft and share model legislation for distribution among state governments in the United States. They are



not bad guys. They may not think like me on everything but they are surely OK.

This group plus a group of conservative economists have rated the governors of Texas, Georgia and South Dakota as best in the nation. I think Ron DeSantis even before his recent 2022 victory deserved more credit than anybody gave him. Governor Kemp from Georgia's 2018 election performance proved that he should not be on anybody's list of top conservative governors with his style v Trump.

What I am saying is that after the election debacle in Georgia, I bet ALEC would like their votes back. Their ranking was largely based on spending and tax rates, Democrats always fare poorly in such rankings because they don't care about the people.

DeSantis towers above all others in my opinion for sure. I am saying that the GOP leaders picked by ALEC are not all unworthy of consideration but none of them lead as large a state as Florida even though they do their best. None can hold a candle to Ron DeSantis.

Please know that though Governor DeSantis tops my list, I do like a lot of Republican governors. Most have done a fine job this year and in years past. Think about Texas Governor Greg Abbott and especially Governor Kristi Noem of SD as fine examples. Abbott has been criticized by Texas Democrats for not spending billions of dollars in federal funds sent to the state through the CARES Act.

Fine with me! His decision to hang onto the money, however, has helped earn him top marks from a pair of conservative organizations. Kristi Noem is a hero in South Dakota and would be my #2 or 3 choice for best governor with Greg Abbott as the other.

Ron DeSantis is in everybody's big-list top ten. The top ten include Mark Gordon, R-WY; Charlie Baker, R-MA; Phil Scott, R-VT; Kristi Noem, R SD; Chris Sununu, R-NH; Doug Burgum, R-ND; Ron DeSantis, R-FL; Greg Abbot, R-TX, Asa Hutchinson, R-AR; Kay Ivey, R-Al. None come in as positively as Ron DeSantis. He is the best governor in the US by a mile. Ot is no wonder he resoundingly won a second term in November.

I check on life in Florida quite frequently. It is my favorite state and has been for many years. My favorite area recently has become the Villages because I love the State and this major City—the Villages. There is nothing like good governance to make a state even more appealing than it otherwise would be. Ron DeSantis is a difference maker in leadership for sure.

# Chapter 7 The Villages in Florida, My Favorite



Why Is "Everybody" Moving to The Villages?: If your friends & relatives can afford a home in "The Florida Villages," how about you? Paperback – February 27, 2020

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But I am a conservative also and I am not woke and they are. Maybe they will sell you this book. I would appreciate your help.

I recently asked a guest coordinator at The Villages if everything was open in Florida, especially my favorites—the Town Squares in the three great Villages' Towns. What you get there is 5:00 PM concerts; great shopping, and of course Cody's—my favorite fun Villages restaurant. And that is just for starters.

She asked which Cody's and I said Sumter Landing and she said that was her favorite also but admitted that the Cody's in Brownsville is also very nice. I agreed. I told her that I had written a book about the Villages (see above) after our trip last year and I promised to send her five copies of the book highlighted above. Because of Amazon's action, I can't do that right now.

None of this would be happening during the pandemic without a great Florida Governor. Check out the picture of the Villages book. The ordering information is close by just in case. Go ahead take a minute to take a gander.

I admit that last year when Pat and I went to the Villages, it was six months before her heart attack. Look at how great she looked then. She is back looking and feeling great again thank the Lord, and Dr. John H. Ellis, her cardiologist and Dr. Patrick Kerrigan, DO. Dr. Ellis put a great stent in and Dr. K, our family doctor helped Pat understand the purpose of all the medicines she is now on. God, were we lucky.

Pat is now well healed and she looks just as good as in this picture. Not bad for 75 years of age. A week after we got home, the COVID pandemic was declared by Anthony Fauci. Six months later in her first cardiology appointment after the operation, my dear wife mistakenly greeted her cardiologist with a hearty Good Morning Dr. Fauci. There is a little resemblance between Fauci and Ellis. Ellis enjoyed being Fauci that day. He saved Pat's life and he is a great man.

I like Ellis better than Fauci because I believe him. I do not believe a word Fauci says. I know my wife and my daughter, who is my wife's

right arm now, are both OK, and I appreciate their hard work in making both of them feel great. Thanks Pat and Thanks Katie.

When the Villages representative called, she looked up the book on Amazon. I told her that the lovely lady in the picture was my wife Pat and we had a nice conversation about how the Villages and Florida were handling the pandemic. She said the Villages is open and have been for a long time. She praised Governor DeSantis and the care he has shown for the elderly in Florida. He gives them the first class treatment they deserve.

The Villages is the largest retirement community in the country and thanks to Ron DeSantis, they have a very low COVID-19 rate.

Before I tell you about that let me give you the lowdown of Florida's greatest retirement community, known as The Villages.

The Villages is unique. My wife and I have been there three times We're going back again this year. First we went for one day, then four days and then seven day Villages Lifestyle adventures. We're going back this year for just a day but next year, it will be a lot longer.

Each time, we were more inclined to buy a nice home. Maybe someday we will but in the meantime we are snowbirds. Next time, it'll be a month. #1 rated, the Villages is the largest gated over-55 community in the world. It is home for more than 126,000 residents in an area bigger than Manhattan. Everyone gets around via golf cart. What a treat. Ron DeSantis is the perfect governor for a great city like the Villages in Florida.

Five years ago, Yogi Bernardo. one of my Meyers High School classmates (PA) invited me to his home in the Villages for a Florida reunion. It prompted me to take a Florida vacation. My wife and I were happy to have been able to book a room after being on a waiting list for the Magnificent Waterfront Hotel in Sumter Landing in The Villages.

As a Villages resident, Yogi called the hotel and got me a reduced rate of \$193.64 in February 2017. What a great place!. At other times than February, the hotel has better prices. The reunion was at noon. Pat's younger sister joined us at Yogis, and at 5:00 PM we all left his Villages home at Goldenrod, and we left for the Waterfront. We found a great place next door called Cody's Roadhouse and had dinner and some adult liquids. Pat and her sister went shopping in Lake Sumter Landing-- magnificent.

Two years ago on Nov 18, we took a Villages Lifestyle 4-day vacation. The cost was special too--\$99.00 a night with an included two bicycles and a golf car for the four days. The Villages put us up in one of their three bedroom, 2 bath new homes--beautiful;. While there, we took, a Saturday trip to Gainesville and saw the Football Gators rip apart UAB 36-7. Great fun at The Villages.

In February, 2020, we went again for a reunion and spent seven days. It still was not enough time at The Villages. When we left on February 13, we had just enjoyed 4 days of 86 degree sunny weather with plenty of great swimming in one of the Villages 57 pools at last count. We don't golf but we might soon as there are 52 championship golf courses in the Villages. Since we came in peak season the price was \$199 per night in a brand new home for what they call their lifestyle event. Wow!

That's just part of it. The Villages is unique because it was built to be unlike any other community. More than 126,000 happy residents cannot be all wrong. There is something for everybody. With over 3000 clubs/activities, you'll run out of days to have fun before you run out of Villages activities to keep you interested.

How does free music and dancing on the public squares from 5 to 9 sound with top bands. How about pickleball, paddle tennis, swimming, polo or fun bars with two-fors from 12:00 Noon? The Villages has the largest Red Hats club in the nation so you'll have lots of friends.

Triathlons, running, cycling, bowling in one of 86 leagues. Art shows and clubs from basic drawing to pottery with. Special golf car roads to get you anywhere in the villages. Whether or not you golf, everyone has a golf car. For those that love movies, there are three

huge theatres showing eight attractions each per day. Learn about all this and more in the tell-all book shown above. You'll know why the Villages is Americas greatest playground for those 55 and older.



On the right is the bandstand – Daily free concerts and cheap adult beverages



Town Center in Spanish Springs, a great Villages Town



More Spanish Springs



Sumter Landing – Fun! Fun! Fun!





Sumter Landing Relaxation

## **Give me a few more reasons why Ron DeSantis is the US #1 Gov**

This year, just a few weeks ago, when I spoke to the Villages representative she assured me that from way back on September 25, 2020, everything in Florida was opened by the Governor. Florida's Governor Ron DeSantis lifted all state COVID-19 restrictions on businesses statewide. Only those on the hard left gave the governor a hard time about this and they are still whacking him as the newly reelected governor. For some reason, they praise the Empire State which is almost in last place nationally on COVID-19..

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Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis says he is lifting all restrictions on businesses statewide that were imposed to control the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19. Most significantly, that means restaurants and bars in the state can now operate at full capacity.

Up to now, restaurants and bars in Florida could serve customers indoors at 50% of legal occupancy. DeSantis said his new executive order lifts that restriction statewide, though local governments can keep additional limits in place if they're justified for health or economic reasons.

"Every business has the right to operate," DeSantis said. "Some of the locals can do reasonable regulations. But you can't just say no."

DeSantis also said his order would stop cities and counties from fining people for not wearing mandated face coverings. He said fines and other penalties imposed so far would be suspended. Currently, Miami-Dade, Broward and other counties in South Florida have locally imposed limits on the hours restaurants and bars can operate and how many customers they can serve indoors. Not anymore!

# Chapter 8 Ron DeSantis for President

## 2028 & 2032 for sure



This was a chapter in my first Ron DeSantis book. It is not plagiarism when you copy your own stuff into a new book so here goes. I have made a number of changes because of time passing.

Ron DeSantis will one day be president of the United States of America because he passes all positive expectations with an *Outstanding Exceeds* grade. In many ways he is firm like President Trump. He uses his own mind to make major decisions, and more importantly, he is pro-people.

He has not only helped make America be great again, he has made Florida great again by enacting principles that favor the people of Florida even when the corrupt press is against him. He knows how to fight and he wins like President Trump. Just this year 2022, he beat Charley Crist, a very popular politico for Governor and won his second term by 19 points.

## Ron DeSantis President or Vice President

I agreed that it was a great idea under all circumstances, for the Governor to run for reelection in 2022. When the results came in, clearly I was not the only one

So that there is no mistake about my preference for president in 2024. It is Donald J. Trump, hands down. My preference for vice president in 2024 is Ron DeSantis. I have not heard many offer this as a thought; but I would bet the DeSantis supporters would love getting their guy into the second chair in the US Government in 2024.

Quite frankly, though I do not think this would work for a number of reasons, I think having Donald Trump decide to take the second chair would also work well for the country. He would be a great president and he would have all the experience he needed in the second chair. There is only one reason why I don't like this as much as option "A" – which is a Trump presidency and a DeSantis Vice Presidency

Think about it. Mr. Trump has four more years—one term of eligibility left. If Ron DeSantis is his VEEP in 2024, Mr. DeSantis gets to be president the following two years. That would give conservative America three terms (12 years) in a row of great government.

We all know that it would be just four years from 2024 that VP DeSantis could and would ascend to the first chair. How could he lose other than via a Democrat orchestrated stolen election? Moreover, with four years as VP, DeSantis would be the logical choice for the next eight years after that—giving the Republicans or the Patriot Party or the American Party or whatever conservatives are calling themselves by then, the top prize.

That means , twelve full years of Conservatives running the country without a Democrat having a prayer. All we have to do is go with Trump and DeSantis and get the RINOS completely out of the House and US Senate.

Donald Trump has already announced his plans for 2024 and he is ready to go. He has plenty of time.

The press said that former President Trump had been teasing about another possible presidential campaign during his speech at the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) and at rallies for House Members and Senators for the Midterms such as the one on November 5 in Latrobe, PA.

Mr. Trump noted many times that he was sure the Democratic Party would endure “withering losses” in the midterm elections and would “decisively” lose the White House in 2024. Most of his first prediction came true as Republicans took back the House and look real good for the US Senate in 2024.

Trump said that “who knows, I may even decide to beat them for a third time,” prompting big-time cheers from the crowd at CPAC and other rallies. He always took the time to slam the Biden administration’s first month in office as “the most disastrous.” He particularly found fault with Biden's efforts to reverse Trump’s immigration policies. Biden clearly is not for America and eventually I sure hope that Americans see through the entire communism ruse.

More and more Senators and Congress persons are calling on Biden to be investigated because he is on the take and he behaves like a Mafia Don. On Nov 23, 2022, Cruz said that Republicans should focus on President Biden, not his son Hunter Biden, saying the president “is the godfather.” Think of the implications and remember Americans somehow elected the Godfather instead of Donald Trump.

On the most recent episode of his podcast, “Verdict with Ted Cruz,” the Texas Republican offered that his party needs to turn its attention to Biden in their investigations, and not focus on his embattled son. “The focus needs to be on Joe Biden, this is not about Hunter Biden, any more than if you’re going after the mafia and you catch some low level enforcer, or you’re going after a drug cartel and you catch some mule who swallowed balloons full of heroin,” Cruz said. “It’s not about the poor schlub. who got caught? Yeah. It’s about the

boss,” the Texas senator commented. Think about that and think that he is still our president. Can we trust him?

Matt Gaetz R-Fl a DeSantis friend along with President Trump. pulled no punches in suggesting that DeSantis could run for president in 2024 if Trump was out of the picture. Though we would all welcome Governor DeSantis to the presidential table, most of us are hoping for Trump’s continued good health and energy and an assurance of clean elections so that we could make him the 45th and also the 47th President of the US.

Matt Gaetz, R-FL thinks the world of his governor. There is no doubt about that. He should. He is joined by many Floridians in his admiration. Gaetz made the remarks Sunday at CPAC and on one of his interviews on Fox News in which the governor responded to reports of President Biden’s administration potentially implementing travel restrictions around Florida due to the state's [low] coronavirus cases. Biden hates all strong Republicans.

Press secretary Jen Psaki at the time ameliorated the press and Floridians telling them that no final decisions had been made. DeSantis did not take it lying down. In Trump fashion, he immediately sent a volley back at Biden telling Fox host Maria Bartiromo that such a move by the Biden administration would be “unconstitutional” and a “political attack against Florida.” Biden should not be messing with the Governor of Florida as he is well outmatched. For those conservatives who think Trump is the only fighter the Republicans have in their lineup watching DeSantis fire back was good for the conservative heart.

Gaetz later in the same day told Fox that he was “proud” of DeSantis, adding that “the truth is that the Biden folks know that if Donald Trump is not the candidate in 2024, the leader of our movement will be Ron DeSantis.” No argument here for sure.

Gaetz said that “people see that in Florida, businesses are opening, unemployment is dropping, home buying is increasing, and that type of prosperity is very attractive to people who are having to endure lockdowns in other parts of America.”

Ron DeSantis was also at CPAC and he delivered a great and fiery speech exhorting Republicans to get moving or be overtaken. Bravo!

The word was all good for Gov. Ron DeSantis in a straw poll of conservative activists Sunday. They love him as we all do for his great job and the promise of more – the presidency.

Our former President Donald Trump won the CPAC straw poll for President in 2024 but most notably, Florida’s Governor was the clear 2024 second choice. When Trump is not in the mix, the governor wins. By the way before I continue, I had a great idea for what President Trump could do in the interim between when I wrote this book and the 2024 campaign season. I had just written the book titled:



Donald Trump, Governor of California: After the Newsom recall, the former president is the perfect candidate to turn California back into one of the United States. Paperback –

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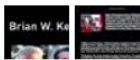
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“Millions of Americans.” declared Dallas megachurch pastor Robert Jeffries in 2017, “believe the election of President Trump represented God giving us another chance—perhaps our last chance—to truly make America great again. Our job was to elect him once God showed us the way. We thank Our Lord to this day < [Read more](#)

Nobody other than yours truly ever suggested Trump take a shot at beating Gavin Newsom in his Recall election. When you have your next cocktail, think about that for awhile.

As noted, the Florida Governor kicked off CPAC and gave a fiery speech to kick off the Orlando event. I was in Orlando Florida at the time and we could still feel the positive vibes.

Ron DeSantis is clearly a leading choice of movement activists who were polled this weekend, but the sentiments in 2021 was only if Trump does not run in 2024. The numbers were Trump 55% and DeSantis 21% if both men were running. Without Trump in the race, we got a different race with DeSantis the choice of 43%, and the great South Dakota Gov. Kristi Noem a far behind second at 11%.

As I pointed out, DeSantis would be a great VEEP. From my perspective Pence is too risky to trust. I didn't even want him at CPAC. He was not there when we needed him. He had his chance.

Don't think I am insane for suggesting that Trump would not have made a good California Governor if he went for and got the recall vote and then spent a few years straightening out the Golden State. It is all past but it was a good thought. He could have straightened out California and then decided to run for president again in 2024 if he chose to do so. He can have another great record posted in California.

## **Trump for VEEP?**

Remember that Trump would also make a great Veep if he decided to back Ron DeSantis for President. The only problems with that is that Trump may not like the idea and if he had to wait ten years to get another chance at the presidency, he would be pushing 90 years of age. An invincible Trump might be able to handle it and it would be good for now but it might not be the way for Republicans to assure twelve great years of perfect conservative governance for the American people.



# Chapter 9 Donald Trump Announces 2024 Presidential Bid

## Campaign 2024: Former President Trump's 2024 Campaign Announcement

Former President Donald Trump (2017 to 2021) announced his run for the 2024 Republican presidential nomination in a speech at his Mar-a-Lago estate in Palm Beach, Florida. It was a busy political week as his remarks came a week after the 2022 midterms. There was anticipation as to when the president would announce but when he did, it was no longer a secret.

This week saw Republicans retake control of the House of Representatives with a slim majority and Democrats retained control of the Senate. During his speech, which was very serious and presidential, Mr. Trump talked about his campaign platform, with a heavy emphasis on border security and law enforcement, specifically calling for the death penalty to be levied against convicted drug dealers as it is in some Asian nations like Singapore. He was joined at the announcement by his family, some of whom he recognized during the speech. Following his remarks, as is customary, he greeted many of those in attendance.

**Notes about my version of captioning:** It was tough to find a well captioned speech done as somebody would write. So, I settled for a corrected speech but one which was still mostly in CAPS. It is still on the Internet as given if you want to hear it.

The corrector of the grammar in this translation made his corrections in lower case so the text looks a bit jumbled. For my time frame, this was the best I could do short of not including the speech in this book. If this annoys you as it may, feel free to skip the remainder of this chapter.

When the crowd applauded in the text, I left a line space so it is not just a wad of text. Here it is --the whole speech. Feel free again to go to a site and hear the former president deliver it. God bless you all.

[Lee Greenwood's 1984 song "God Bless the USA" (aka "Proud to Be an American") plays for the full duration of the song, ~3 minutes, as Trump walks on stage]

[Crowd chants]

Well, THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND ON BEHALF OF MELANIA, MYSELF AND OUR ENTIRE FAMILY, I WANT TO thank YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE TONIGHT. IT'S A VERY SPECIAL OCCASION AT A VERY SPECIAL PLACE. YOU, AND ALL OF THOSE WATCHING, ARE THE HEART AND SOUL OF THIS INCREDIBLE MOVEMENT, THE GREATEST COUNTRY IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD. It's VERY SIMPLE. THERE'S NEVER BEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT, THIS GREAT MOVEMENT OF OURS. NEVER BEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT. PERHAPS THERE WILL BE NOTHING LIKE IT AGAIN. THERE'S NEVER BEEN ANYTHING TO COMPETE WITH WHAT WE HAVE ALL DONE.

[APPLAUSE]

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, AND, MY FELLOW CITIZENS, AMERICA HAS COME BACK STARTS. RIGHT. NOW.

[APPLAUSE]

Two years ago, WHEN I LEFT OFFICE, THE UNITED STATES STOOD READY FOR ITS GOLDEN AGE. OUR NATION WAS AT THE PINNACLE OF POWER, PROSPERITY AND PRESTIGE, TOWERING ABOVE ALL RIVALS, VANQUISHING ALL ENEMIES AND STRIVING INTO THE FUTURE, CONFIDENT, AND SO STRONG. IN FOUR SHORT YEARS, EVERYBODY WAS DOING GREAT, MEN, WOMEN, AFRICAN-AMERICANS, ASIAN AMERICANS, HISPANIC AMERICANS, EVERYBODY WAS THRIVING, LIKE NEVER BEFORE.

[APPLAUSE]

THERE WAS NEVER A TIME LIKE THIS. WE TURN THE PAGE ON DECADES OF GLOBAList SELLOUTS AND ONE-SIDED TRADE DEALS. LIFTed MILLIONS OUT OF POVERTY AND TOGETHER WE BUILT THE GREATEST ECONOMY IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD. WHEN THE VIRUS HIT OUR SHORES I TOOK DECISIVE ACTION AND SAVE THE LIVES AND THE U.S. ECONOMY. And BY OCTOBER OF THE SAME YEAR, AMERICA WAS A ROARING BACK WITH THE NUMBER ONE FASTEST ECONOMIC RECOVERY EVER RECORDED. HOW ABOUT THAT?

[APPLAUSE]

ALL OF THE INCOMING ADMINISTRATION AND ALL THEY HAD TO DO WAS ADJUST SIT BACK AND WATCH. INFLATION WAS NONEXISTENT. OUR SOUTHERN BORDER WAS BY FAR THE STRONGEST EVER. BECAUSE THE BORDER WAS SO TIGHT, DRUGS ARE COMING INTO OUR COUNTRY AT THE LOWEST LEVEL IN MANY, MANY YEARS. Importantly, AFTER DECADES OF RISING ENERGY COSTS, THE UNITED STATES FINALLY OBTAINED THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM OF AMERICAN ENERGY INDEPENDENCE WHICH soon HAVE TURNED INTO ENERGY DOMINANCE.

[APPLAUSE]

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MEMORY CHINA WAS REELING AND BACK ON ITS HEELS, you'd NEVER SEEN THAT BEFORE BECAUSE THE UNITED STATES WAS OUTDOING THEM ON EVERY SINGLE FRONT. CHINA WAS PAYING BILLIONS AND BILLIONS OF DOLLARS ON TAXES AND TARIFFS. THE FARMERS KNOW THAT BECAUSE THEY GOT 28 BILLION DOLLARS OF IT. NO PRESIDENT HAVE EVER -- HAD EVER sought or RECEIVED ONE DOLLAR FOR OUR COUNTRY FROM CHINA, UNTIL I CAME ALONG AND WE WERE GETTING HUNDREDS OF BILLIONS OF DOLLARS. MANY PEOPLE THINK BECAUSE OF THIS, CHINA PLAYED A VERY ACTIVE ROLE IN THE 2020 ELECTION. JUST SAYING. JUST SAYING. I'M SURE THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN. INSTEAD OF JOBS IN FACTORIES LEAVING AMERICA FOR CHINA, THEY WORK, FOR THE FIRST TIME LEAVING CHINA FOR AMERICA.

[APPLAUSE]

BUSINESSES WERE ROARING BACK BECAUSE OF OUR HISTORIC TAX AND REGULATION CUTS, THE BIGGEST IN BOTH CATEGORIES in history, BIGGER EVEN THAN WHAT RONALD REAGAN WAS ABLE TO PRODUCE. AND HE PRODUCED A LOT. CHINA, RUSSIA, IRAN, AND NORTH KOREA WERE IN CHECK. AND RESPECTED. THEY RESPECTED THE UNITED STATES. And quite honestly, THEY RESPECTED ME. I KNEW THEM WELL. I KNEW THEM WELL.

[APPLAUSE]

THE VICIOUS ISIS WHICH NO PRESIDENT WAS EVER ABLE TO CONQUER WAS DECIMATED BY ME AND OUR GREAT WARRIORS IN LESS THAN three weeks, IN al-BAGHDADI. IT'S founder was hunted down and KILLED. NORTH KOREA HAD NOT LAUNCHED A SINGLE LONG-RANGE MISSILE SINCE MY SUMMIT WITH CHAIRMAN KIM JONG-UN, NEARLY THREE YEARS BEFORE WE DEVELOPED THE RELATIONSHIP, and THAT'S A GOOD THING, NOT A BAD THING. IT'S A GOOD THING. VERY GOOD THING, ACTUALLY. LOOK AT WHAT IS HAPPENING TODAY. MY OPPONENTS MADE ME OUT TO BE A WARMONGER. JUST A TERRIBLE PERSON, WHO WOULD IMMEDIATELY GO INTO WAR. THEY SAID DURING THE 2016 CAMPAIGN THAT IF HE BECOMES PRESIDENT, THERE WILL NEVER

BE A WAR WITHIN WEEKS [sic], and WE WILL HAVE WARS LIKE YOU'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE. IT WILL HAPPEN IMMEDIATELY. And YET, I HAVE DONE DECADES, DECADES, WITHOUT A WAR. THE FIRST PRESIDENT TO DO IT FOR THAT LONG A PERIOD.

[APPLAUSE]

THE WORLD WAS AT PEACE. AMERICA WAS PROSPERING. OUR COUNTRY WAS ON TRACK FOR AN AMAZING FUTURE, BECAUSE I MADE BIG PROMISES TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, AND UNLIKE OTHER PRESIDENTS, I KEPT MY PROMISES.

[LONG APPLAUSE] [CHANTING]

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. UNDER OUR LEADERSHIP, WE WERE A GREAT AND GLORIOUS NATION, SOMETHING YOU haven't HEARD FOR QUITE A LONG PERIOD OF TIME. WE WERE A STRONG NATION, AND importantly, WE WERE A FREE NATION. NOW, WE ARE A NATION IN DECLINE. WE ARE a FAILING NATION. FOR MILLIONS OF AMERICANS, THE PAST TWO YEARS UNDER JOE BIDEN HAVE BEEN A TIME OF PAIN, HARDSHIP, ANXIETY AND DESPAIR. AS WE SPEAK, INFLATION IS THE HIGHEST IN OVER 50 YEARS. GAS PRICES HAVE REACHED THE HIGHEST LEVEL IN HISTORY, AND EXPECT THEM TO GO HIGHER, NOW THAT THE STRATEGIC NATIONAL RESERVES, WHICH I FILLED UP, HAVE BEEN VIRTUALLY DRAINED IN ORDER TO KEEP GASOLINE PRICES LOWER, JUST PRIOR TO THE ELECTION. JOE BIDEN HAS INTENTIONALLY SURRENDERED OUR ENERGY INDEPENDENCE. THERE IS NO LONGER THOUGHT OF DOMINANCE.

And WE ARE NOW BEGGING FOR ENERGY HELP FROM FOREIGN NATIONS, MANY OF WHOM FIND US DETESTABLE. OUR SOUTHERN BORDER HAS BEEN ERASED, and OUR COUNTRY IS BEING INVADED BY MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF UNKNOWN PEOPLE, MANY OF WHOM ARE ENTERING FOR a VERY BAD AND SINISTER REASON. YOU KNOW WHAT THAT REASON IS? WE WILL BE PAYING A BIG PRICE OF THIS INVASION IN OUR COUNTRY, FOR YEARS TO COME. HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF POUNDS OF DEADLY DRUGS, INCLUDING VERY LETHAL FENTANYL, ARE FLOODING ACROSS THE NOW OPEN AND TOTALLY POOR SOUTHERN BORDER. THE BLOODSOAKED STREETS OF OUR once-great CITIES ARE CESSPOOL OF VIOLENT CRIMES WHICH ARE BEING WATCHED ALL OVER THE WORLD, AS LEADERSHIP OF OTHER COUNTRIES EXPLAIN THAT THIS IS WHAT AMERICA AND DEMOCRACY IS REALLY ALL ABOUT.

HOW SAD.

THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN EMBARRASSED, HUMILIATED AND WEAKENED FOR ALL TO SEE. THE DISASTERS IN AFGHANISTAN, PERHAPS THE MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT IN THE HISTORY OF OUR COUNTRY, WHERE WE LOST LIVES, LEFT AMERICANS BEHIND, AND SURRENDERED \$85 BILLION dollars WORTH OF THE FINEST MILITARY EQUIPMENT, ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD. AND UKRAINE,

WHICH WOULD HAVE NEVER HAPPENED IF I WERE YOUR PRESIDENT, are something...

[APPLAUSE]

AND EVEN THE DEMOCRATS ADMIT THAT. THAT'S SOMETHING I HAVE SEEN THEM ADMIT OVER AND OVER AGAIN. BUT, OUR ENEMIES ARE SPEAKING OF US WITH SCORN AND LAUGHTER AND DERISION, BECAUSE OF THOSE TWO EVENTS. But THERE ARE MANY MORE, EVEN JUST TODAY, A MISSILE WAS SENT IN, PROBABLY BY RUSSIA, TO POLAND, 50 MILES INTO POLAND, AND PEOPLE ARE GOING ABSOLUTELY WILD, AND CRAZY, AND THEY ARE NOT HAPPY. THEY ARE VERY ANGRY. NOW WE HAVE A PRESIDENT WHO FALLS ASLEEP AT GLOBAL CONFERENCES.

[LAUGHTER]

Was HELD IN CONTEMPT BY THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT OVER AFGHANISTAN. THANKS TO, THE, WORDS OF WISDOM, HE SAID THANK YOU TO THE WRONG COUNTRY FOR INVITING HIM TO A MAJOR SUMMIT, ON THE ENVIRONMENT OF ALL THINGS. They fly for days to get there AND HE CALLS THE COUNTRY A NAME<sup>f</sup>, THAT WAS ACTUALLY IN THE COUNTRY ON ANOTHER CONTINENT. And HE'S LEADING US TO THE BRINK OF NUCLEAR WAR, a CONCEPT UNIMAGINABLE, just TWO SHORT YEARS AGO. YOU CANNOT MENTION THE NUCLEAR WORD. IT IS TOO DEVASTATING. THE GREEN NEW DEAL, AND THE ENVIRONMENT, WHICH THEY SAY MAY AFFECT US IN 300 YEARS, IS ALL THAT IS TALKED ABOUT. YET NUCLEAR WEAPONS WHICH WOULD DESTROY THE WORLD IMMEDIATELY ARE NEVER DISCUSSED AS A MAJOR THREAT. CAN YOU IMAGINE? THEY SAY THE OCEAN WILL RISE 1/8 OF AN INCH OVER THE NEXT 200 TO 300 YEARS. BUT DON'T WORRY ABOUT NUCLEAR WEAPONS THAT CAN TAKE OUT ENTIRE COUNTRIES WITH ONE SHOT. SOMETHING IS WRONG WITH their THINKING, UNDER BIDEN AND THE RADICAL DEMOCRATS, AMERICA HAS BEEN MOCKED, AND BROUGHT TO ITS KNEES, PERHAPS LIKE NEVER BEFORE. WE ARE HERE TONIGHT TO DECLARE THAT IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE THIS WAY. IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE THIS WAY.

[APPLAUSE]

TWO YEARS AGO, WE WERE A GREAT NATION. SOON WE WILL BE A GREAT NATION AGAIN.

[APPLAUSE]

THE DECLINE OF AMERICA IS BEING FORCED UPON US BY BIDEN AND THE RADICAL LEFT LUNATICS RUNNING OUR GOVERNMENT RIGHT INTO THE GROUND. THIS DECLINE IS NOT A FATE WE MUST ACCEPT. WHEN GIVEN THE CHOICE, BOLDLY, CLEARLY, AND DIRECTLY, I believe THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL

OVERWHELMINGLY REJECT THE LEFT's PLATFORM OF NATIONAL RUIN, and THEY WILL EMBRACE OUR PLATFORM OF NATIONAL GREATNESS AND GLORY TO AMERICA, GLORY.

[APPLAUSE]

EXACTLY ONE WEEK AGO, OUR CITIZENS VOTED IN THE IMPORTANT MIDTERM ELECTIONS. And DESPITE A RIDICULOUSLY LONG AND UNNECESSARY PERIOD OF WAITING, FAR LONGER IN FACT than ANY THIRD WORLD COUNTRY, JUST A SHORT TIME AGO THE REPUBLICANS WON BACK CONTROL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

[APPLAUSE]

AND IT WAS WITH A GREAT TRUMP-ENDORSED CANDIDATE, CONGRESSMAN ELECT KEVIN KILEY WHO WAS A FANTASTIC PERSON, A FANTASTIC PERSON. AND I'm VERY VERY HAPPY it was HIS VOTE THAT DID IT. But we so we now won back this happened, just, an hour ago [sic]. MUCH CRITICISM IS BEING PLACED ON THE FACT THAT THE REPUBLICAN PARTY SHOULD HAVE DONE BETTER, and FRANKLY, MUCH OF THIS BLAME IS CORRECT. BUT THE CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTRY HAVE NOT YET REALIZED THE FULL EXTENT AND GRAVITY OF THE PAIN OUR NATION IS GOING THROUGH. AND THE TOTAL EFFECT OF THE SUFFERING IS JUST STARTING TO TAKE HOLD. THEY DON'T QUITE FEEL IT, YET. BUT THEY WILL SOON. I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT BY 2024, IT WILL SADLY BE MUCH WORSE. And THEY WILL SEE MUCH MORE CLEARLY WHAT HAPPENED AND WHAT IS HAPPENING TO OUR COUNTRY AND THE VOTING WILL BE MUCH DIFFERENT. 2024.

[APPLAUSE]

ARE YOU GETTING READY?

[APPLAUSE]

I AM TOO. I AM TOO!

I DO WANT TO POINT OUT THAT IN THE MIDTERMS, MY ENDORSEMENT SUCCESS RATE WAS 232 WINS AND ONLY 22 LOSSES. YOU DON'T HEAR THAT. FROM THE MEDIA.

[APPLAUSE]

And THIS IS AN ELEGANT NIGHT AND AN ELEGANT PRESS, PLACE [sic]. And I'm not going to USE THE TERM "FAKE NEWS MEDIA".

[LAUGHTER]

So WE'RE GOING TO KEEP IT VERY ELEGANT. But YOU DON'T HEAR THAT FROM THE "MEDIA". But I THINK YOU WILL, BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE STARTING TO SEE WHAT HAPPENED, that some score [sic] and IN THE PRIMARIES, WAS 98.6%. BUT THEY WERE STILL TRYING TO BLAME ME. And THE REASON FOR THE SUCCESS AND that, UNPRECEDENTED SUCCESS RATE, IS THAT THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION CHANGED OUR NATION ON TRADE, ON

SECURING THE BORDER WITH THE STRONGEST SAFEST BORDER IN THE HISTORY OF OUR COUNTRY. ON ISLAMIC TERRORISM, WE HAD PRACTICALLY, JUST ABOUT, NOT THAT I CAN THINK OF, NO ISLAMIC ATTACKS, TERRORIST ATTACKS DURING THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION. And IN FACT, WE GOT ALONG VERY WELL WITH THE VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

[APPLAUSE]

INCLUDING COMING UP WITH THE ABRAHAM ACCORDS. IT'S A GREAT THING, The Abraham Accords.

[CHEERING]

But IT'S BECAUSE OF CUTTING TAXES AND cutting REGULATIONS AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL EVER, AND BUILDING THE GREATEST ECONOMY, ANYTIME IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD, THERE HAS NEVER BEEN AN ECONOMY LIKE WE HAD just TWO YEARS AGO. DESPITE THE OUTCOME IN THE SENATE, WE CANNOT LOSE HOPE, AND WE MUST ALL WORK VERY HARD FOR A GENTLEMAN AND A GREAT PERSON NAMED HERSCHEL WALKER, A FABULOUS HUMAN BEING, WHO LOVES OUR COUNTRY, AND WILL BE A GREAT UNITED STATES SENATOR. HERSCHEL WALKER. GET OUT AND VOTE. And HE DESERVES IT.

[APPLAUSE]

HE WAS AN INCREDIBLE ATHLETE, he'll BE an EVEN BETTER SENATOR, get out and vote for Herschel Walker. WE ELECTED A GROUP OF incredibly TALENTED and AMERICA-first LEADERS THAT WILL BE STARS FOR OUR PARTY FOR MANY YEARS TO COME. And THE POPULAR VOTE, ANOTHER THING that's NOT DISCUSSED FOR THE HOUSE, WE MUST REMEMBER THAT REPUBLICANS WON 5 MILLION MORE VOTES, THE LARGEST MARGIN IN MANY YEARS OVER THE DEMOCRATS, 5 MILLION MORE VOTES, THAT IS A BIG THING. BREAKING THE RADICAL DEMOCRATS GRIP ON CONGRESS WAS CRUCIAL. So IN OTHER WORDS, BECAUSE OF OUR GREAT CONGRESSMEN AND ALL OF OUR GREAT CONGRESSMEN AND CONGRESSWOMEN, WE HAVE TAKEN OVER, CONGRESS, NANCY PELOSI HAS BEEN FIRED.

[CHEERING]

I TOLD THEM, IF YOU JUST KEEP a little bit LOWER STANDARD, YOU WILL HAVE A BIG VICTORY. THEY SAID LET'S WIN BY 40 SEATS, let's win by 50, I SAID, IF YOU WIN BY TWO SEATS, BE HAPPY. BUT SHE'S ON HER WAY TO ANOTHER COUNTRY. SHE'S BEEN FIRED.

[LAUGHTER]

BUT WE ALWAYS HAD KNOWN THAT THIS WAS NOT THE END. IT WAS ONLY THE BEGINNING OF OUR FIGHT TO RESCUE THE AMERICAN DREAM. AND IT'S A WORD YOU DON'T USE, IT'S TWO

WORDS, I DON'T WANT TO BE JOE. It's two words: American Dream. THAT WAS NOT GOOD, what he did, A LOT OF BAD THINGS, LIKE GOING TO IDAHO AND SAYING WELCOME TO THE STATE OF FLORIDA, I REALLY LOVE IT. IN ORDER TO MAKE AMERICA GREAT, AND GLORIOUS AGAIN, I AM tonight ANNOUNCING MY CANDIDACY FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

[SUBSTANTIAL CHEERING]

THANK YOU, ALL OF YOU.

SO MANY INCREDIBLE FRIENDS AND FAMILY HERE TONIGHT. IT'S A BEAUTIFUL THING. PEOPLE SAY, HOW DO YOU SPEAK BEFORE SO MANY PEOPLE, WHEN there's LOVE IN THE ROOM, IT IS REALLY EASY. YOU OUGHT TO TRY IT SOMETIME. TOGETHER WE WILL BE TAKING ON THE MOST CORRUPT FORCES AND ENTRENCHED INTERESTS IMAGINABLE. OUR COUNTRY IS IN a HORRIBLE STATE. WE ARE IN GRAVE TROUBLE. THIS IS NOT A TASK FOR A POLITICIAN OR a CONVENTIONAL CANDIDATE, THIS IS A TASK FOR A GREAT MOVEMENT, THAT EMBODIES THE COURAGE, CONFIDENCE AND SPIRIT OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. THIS IS A MOVEMENT, THIS IS NOT FOR ANY ONE INDIVIDUAL. THIS IS A JOB FOR TENS OF MILLIONS OF PROUD PEOPLE WORKING TOGETHER FROM ALL ACROSS THE LAND AND FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE, YOUNG AND OLD, BLACK AND WHITE, HISPANIC AND ASIAN, MANY OF WHOM WE HAVE BROUGHT TOGETHER FOR THE VERY very FIRST TIME. IF YOU LOOK AT THE NUMBERS, if you look at WHAT'S HAPPENED WITH HISPANIC, with AFRICAN-AMERICAN, with ASIAN, and JUST LOOK AT WHAT'S HAPPENING, THIS IS A PARTY THAT HAS BECOME MUCH BIGGER, MUCH STRONGER, MUCH MORE POWERFUL, CAN DO MUCH MORE GOOD FOR OUR COUNTRY. THIS IS A JOB FOR, GRANDMOTHERS AND CONSTRUCTION WORKERS, FIREFIGHTERS, BUILDERS, TEACHERS, doctors, and FARMERS WHO CANNOT STAY QUIET ANY LONGER. YOU CAN'T STAY QUIET ANY LONGER. YOU'RE ANGRY ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING TO OUR COUNTRY. OUR COUNTRY is BEING DESTROYED BEFORE YOUR VERY EYES. IT'S A JOB FOR EVERY ASPIRING YOUNG PERSON AND EVERY HARD-WORKING PARENT, FOR EVERY ENTREPRENEUR AND UNDERAPPRECIATED POLICE OFFICER, WHO is READY TO SHOUT FOR SAFETY IN AMERICA. THE POLICE ARE BEING TREATED SO BADLY. THESE ARE GREAT PEOPLE THAT CAN straighten OUT THE CRIME. THEY'RE THE ONES WHO KNOW HOW TO DO IT. WE HAVE TO GIVE THEM BACK THEIR RESPECT AND DIGNITY.

[APPLAUSE]

THIS WILL NOT BE MY CAMPAIGN. THIS WILL BE OUR CAMPAIGN. ALL TOGETHER.

[APPLAUSE]

BECAUSE THE ONLY FORCE STRONG ENOUGH TO defeat THE MASSIVE CORRUPTION we're up against IS YOU, THE AMERICAN



PEOPLE. IT'S TRUE. THE american people, the GREATEST PEOPLE ON EARTH, WE LOVE THEM ALL. AND we love both sides, WE'RE GOING TO BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER. WE'RE going to UNIFY PEOPLE. And it was HAPPENING IN THE PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION, previous to the previous [sic] And, uh, WHAT WAS BRINGING THEM TOGETHER WAS SUCCESS, PRIOR TO COVID COMING IN, THE PEOPLE WERE CALLING ME, that were calling me, YOU wouldn't BELIEVE IT. PEOPLE THAT WERE SO FAR LEFT, I figured THEY WOULD NEVER SPEAK TO ME AND I WOULD NEVER SPEAK TO THEM, BUT OUR SUCCESS WAS SO INCREDIBLE. LIKE NEVER BEFORE. And THEN COVID STARTED COMING IN FROM CHINA. WE CALL IT THE CHINA VIRUS. SOME PEOPLE CALL IT OTHER THINGS. BUT IT WAS DEVASTATING, AND WE BUILT IT BACK AND DID AN INCREDIBLE JOB. But, WHEN PEOPLE SAY REPUBLICANS OR DEMOCRATS OR LIBERALS OR CONSERVATIVES, I SAY WE CAN all GET TOGETHER. And WE WERE DOING THAT. IT WAS HAPPENING, just PRIOR. Because THE SUCCESS WAS GREATER THAN this country has EVER had. WE WERE LEAPFROGGING China, and leapfrogging everybody else, AND EVERYBODY WANTED A PIECE OF IT.

But JUST AS I PROMISED IN 2016, I AM YOUR VOICE. I AM YOUR VOICE. THE WASHINGTON ESTABLISHMENT WANTS TO SILENCE US, BUT WE WILL NOT LET THEM DO THAT. WHAT WE HAVE BUILT TOGETHER OVER THE PAST SIX YEARS IS THE GREATEST MOVEMENT IN HISTORY, BECAUSE IT IS NOT ABOUT POLITICS, IT'S ABOUT OUR LOVE FOR THIS GREAT COUNTRY, AMERICA, and WE WILL NOT LET IT FAIL.

[APPLAUSE]

I AM RUNNING BECAUSE I BELIEVE THE WORLD HAS NOT YET SEEN THE TRUE GLORY OF WHAT THIS NATION CAN BE. WE HAVE NOT REACHED THE PINNACLE, BELIEVE IT OR NOT. IN FACT, WE CAN GO VERY FAR. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO GO FAR, FIRST WE HAVE TO GET OUT OF THIS DITCH. ONCE WE ARE OUT, YOU WILL SEE THINGS THAT NOBODY IMAGINE FOR ANY COUNTRY. IT'S CALLED THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. And IT'S AN INCREDIBLE PLACE.

[APPLAUSE]

WE ARE AMERICANS. WE DO NOT HAVE TO ENDURE WHAT HAS TAKEN PLACE IN WASHINGTON D.C. THIS IS OUR COUNTRY, OUR GOVERNMENT. And THE CORRIDORS OF POWER, or ah [sic] THEY'RE OUR corridors, they're not their corridors, there are our. corridors. And WE ARE COMING, TO TAKE THOSE corridors BACK.

[CHEERING]

FROM NOW ON UNTIL ELECTION DAY IN 2024, WHICH WILL COME very QUICKLY. WE WILL LOOK AT HOW TIME FLIES, look HOW FAST IT IS ALL GOING, I WILL FIGHT LIKE NO ONE HAS EVER FOUGHT

BEFORE. WE WILL DEFEAT THE RADICAL LEFT DEMOCRATS THAT ARE TRYING TO DESTROY OUR COUNTRY FROM WITHIN. And LIKEWISE, PROTECT US ALL, WE WANT TO PROTECT US. WE HAVE TO BE PROTECTED, FROM ALL OF THOSE NATIONS OUT THERE THAT ARE LOOKING TO DESTROY US FROM BEYOND OUR SHORES. THERE ARE LOTS OF NATIONS THAT HATE US, GRAVELY. And THAT IS THE PROBLEM, WHEN THEY LOOK AT US IN DISARRAY LIKE WE ARE NOW, WHEN WE GO TO THEM BEGGING FOR OIL AND WE HAVE MORE LIQUID GOLD UNDER OUR FEET THAN THEY HAVE, OR ANY OTHER NATION HAS, AND WE DON'T USE IT BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO THEM? IT'S CRAZY WHAT'S HAPPENING. WE CANNOT LET IT CONTINUE. JOE BIDEN IS THE FACE OF LEFT-WING FAILURE AND WASHINGTON CORRUPTION. HE HAD A BIG G20 DINNER TONIGHT. EVERYONE FLEW OVER TO WHEREVER THEY FLEW OVER. And GUESS WHAT? HE NEVER SHOWED UP. THEY'RE STILL LOOKING FOR HIM. What's going on?

[LAUGHTER]

G20 I USED TO LOVE THAT. The leaders, I USED TO MAKE DEALS FOR OUR COUNTRY LIKE YOU WOULD NEVER BELIEVE. IT WAS ONE, "GIVE ME THE NEXT ONE GIVE ME THE NEXT ONE". WE GOT 'EM TO STOP TAKING ADVANTAGE OF OUR COUNTRY. The EVERY NATION TOOK ADVANTAGE OF OUR COUNTRY. WE RENEGOTIATED DEALS WITH MEXICO, AND CANADA, USMCA, WE GOT RID OF THE WORST TRADE DEAL EVER MADE, EVER MADE, NAFTA, THE WORST TRADE DEAL EVER MADE. THAT IS WHY THE FARMERS LOVE TRUMP. because WE DID A GREAT JOB, but manufacturers also. And WE DID A DEAL, WE RESTRUCTURED, we restructured OUR TERRIBLE DEAL WITH JAPAN. And I DID IT WITH PRIME MINISTER ABE, A GREAT MAN, WHO, unfortunately, it's so sad, he was a great friend of mine, but a great man, LOVED HIS COUNTRY SO MUCH. But WE RESTRUCTURED AND MADE IT A really TERRIFIC DEAL, and WITH SOUTH KOREA AND so many OTHER COUNTRIES. And, the BEST OF ALL was WHAT WE DID to CHINA. WE MADE AN INCREDIBLE DEAL. AFTER COVID I DON'T even BOTHER TALKING ABOUT IT. Because THE DEVASTATION THAT that CAUSED FOR THE ENTIRE WORLD WAS TOO MUCH TO BEAR. I WILL ENSURE THAT JOE BIDEN DOES NOT RECEIVE A FOUR MORE YEARS IN 2020.

[APPLAUSE]

OUR COUNTRY, COULD NOT TAKE THAT. I SAY THAT NOT IN LAUGHTER, I SAY THAT IN TEARS. OUR COUNTRY COULD NOT TAKE FOUR MORE YEARS. The it can only take so much [sic]. IT'S ALL VERY FRAGILE TO START OFF WITH. IT CAN ONLY TAKE SO MUCH. IN 2020 I RECEIVE THE LARGEST NUMBER OF VOTES OF ANY SITTING PRESIDENT IN HISTORY. BY A LOT. And WE WILL DO IT AGAIN. BUT WITH EVEN MORE VOTES THIS TIME.

[APPLAUSE]

MANY HAVE NOTED THE HUGE GAINS WE HAVE MADE WITH LATINO VOTERS. And I BELIEVE WE WILL SET EVEN GREATER RECORDS WITH HIS CRUCIAL VOTE IN 2024. THE HISPANIC VOTER, THE LATINO VOTER, HAS BEEN UNBELIEVABLE. GREAT PEOPLE. Very entrepreneurial people. And THEY WANT SECURITY. And EVERYONE THOUGHT WHEN I BUILT THE WALL, I built the wall, THEY THOUGHT IT WOULD HURT ME WITH THE HISPANIC VOTE. NO, IT HELPED ME. THEY UNDERSTOOD. THEY WANTED SAFETY. THEY WANTED SECURITY. They, and THEY UNDERSTOOD THE BORDER BETTER THAN ANYBODY ELSE. So THEY WERE AMAZED THAT WE STARTED THAT TREND AND now WE ARE CONTINUING WITH THAT TREND. You LOOK AT WHAT WE HAVE DONE WITH FLORIDA AND WHAT EVERYONE IS DOING IN FLORIDA AND TEXAS, ALONG THE BORDER IN TEXAS, won EVERY SINGLE COMMUNITY, I won every single community, GOVERNOR OF TEXAS CALLED, GREAT GENTLEMEN just GOT REELECTED. HE SAID TO ME, I WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO YOU FOR A SECOND. Well he SAID YOU'VE DONE SOMETHING NO ONE ELSE HAS DONE. YOU'VE WON EVERY SINGLE AREA ALONG THE BORDERS. THE LONGEST SINCE RECONSTRUCTION. I SAID, RECONSTRUCTION, I GUESS YOU CALL THAT THE CIVIL WAR. THAT IS WHAT I CALL IT. GOVERNOR ABBOTT, VERY GOOD MAN. IT'S VERY HORRIBLE BECAUSE WHAT IS HAPPENING IS THEY ARE SENDING HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE THROUGH HIS STATE, RIGHT THROUGH ARIZONA RIGHT THROUGH ALL OF THE STATES. WHAT IS HAPPENING, is they're COMING UP AND ALL OF THE STATES. We can't have it any more, THIS CAMPAIGN WILL BE ABOUT ISSUES, VISION AND SUCCESS, AND WE WILL NOT STOP. WE WILL NOT QUIT UNTIL WE ACHIEVE THE HIGHEST GOALS AND MAKE OUR COUNTRY GREATER THAN IT HAS EVER BEEN BEFORE. WE CAN DO THAT. We can do...

[APPLAUSE]

OUR VICTORY WILL BE BUILT ON big ideas, BOLD AMBITIONS AND DARING DREAMS FOR AMERICA'S FUTURE. WE NEEDED DARING DREAMS, IT IS NOT ENOUGH TO merely COMPLAIN OR OPPOSE. WE DON'T WANT TO BE CRITICS OR COMPLAINERS. I NEVER WANTED TO BE A CRITIC. I NEVER RESPECTED CRITICS. THEY TELL PEOPLE WHAT IS WRONG BUT THEY CAN'T DO IT THEMSELVES. WE WILL WIN, BECAUSE WE WILL FIGHT WITH EVERY MEASURE OF OUR STRENGTH and with EVERY OUNCE OF OUR ENERGY TO LIFT UP THE WORKINGMEN AND WOMEN OF AMERICA, AND RESTORE THE FABRIC OF THIS NATION. THE RADICAL LEFT, DEMOCRATS HAVE EMBRACED AN EXTREME IDEOLOGY OF GOVERNMENT DOMINATION AND CONTROL. OUR APPROACH IS THE OPPOSITE. ONE BASED ON FREEDOM, VALUES, INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY, AND JUST PLAIN COMMON SENSE. IT'S COMMON SENSE.

[APPLAUSE]

IN TWO YEARS THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION HAS DESTROYED THE U.S. ECONOMY, JUST DESTROYED IT, with victory WE WILL AGAIN A BUILD OF THE GREATEST ECONOMY EVER IT'LL TAKE PLACE QUICKLY. WE WILL BUILD OF THE GREATEST ECONOMY EVER. If you remember, I DID IT TWICE, I DID IT BEFORE COVID AND HANDED OFF SOMETHING WHERE THE STOCK MARKET WAS HIGHER THAN JUST PRIOR TO COVID COMING IN. WE DID IT TWICE AND WE WILL DO IT AGAIN BUT THIS TIME WE WILL DO IT BIGGER, STRONGER THAN ANYBODY COULD EVER IMAGINE.

[APPLAUSE]

And ONE OF THE BEAUTIFUL THINGS OF THE PAUSE, if there is such a thing, is a beautiful thing, ONE OF THE, the IMPORTANT FACTORS OF THE PAUSE, IS that WE SEE HOW BAD they've DONE. WE WILL BE ABLE TO DO IT PROPERLY AND IT WILL BE MUCH EASIER. EVERYONE WILL AGREE with us, because EVERYBODY SEES WHAT A BAD JOB THAT HAS BEEN DONE DURING THIS TWO-YEAR PERIOD, and it will be a four-year period. EVERYBODY SEES THAT. IT WILL BE MUCH EASIER FOR US TO DO WHAT HAS TO BE DONE.

[APPLAUSE]

WE WILL IMMEDIATELY TACKLE INFLATION AND BRING DOWN TO A LEVEL that IT WAS, WE were at ZERO. But actually THE BEST NUMBER IS 1%. You know that? you don't want, really, zero, but WE WERE AT ZERO. WE actually GOT INTO EXACTLY 1%, THE PERFECT NUMBER, ONE THING EVERY economist SAYS, HAVE IT like AT 1%. THEY EVEN SAY 1% TO 2%. But I SAID listen, LET'S DO 1%. And we had it at 1%, and WE had it THERE FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME. And we had, the value of the dollar, we had it so this country could make a lot of money, and I fought other countries, where THEY DEVALUED THEIR DOLLAR, WHETHER IT WAS THE POUND OR THE WON, OR the YEN. And I USED TO FIGHT, LIKE CATS AND DOGS WITH LEADERS OF OTHER COUNTRIES BECAUSE THEY WERE STEALING FROM US WHEN THEY DID THAT, THEY HAD ARTIFICIAL DEVALUATIONS OF THEIR CURRENCY. IT'S A IMPORTANT THING. I have NOT even HEARD IT MENTIONED in two years. IT'S VERY HARD FOR US TO COMPETE WHEN THEY DO THAT ARTIFICIALLY. And THEY HAD TO PAY A BIG PRICE WHEN THEY DID IT. And THEY NEVER really DID IT FOR VERY LONG. I SAID WE'RE NOT GOING TO DO BUSINESS WITH YOU. And THEY BELIEVE ME. And THEY LET IT GO BACK UP. INSTEAD OF PUTTING AMERICA LAST, AS THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION HAS DONE VERY, VERY OPENLY AND BRAVELY. Because I CAN'T IMAGINE SAYING, LET'S PUT AMERICA LAST, I think it takes courage. WE WILL. PUT. AMERICA FIRST. EVERY POLICY

[APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU, VERY MUCH. WE DO LOVE OUR COUNTRY. Isn't it? THAT'S WHY WE ARE HERE. I DIDN'T NEED THIS. I HAD A VERY

NICE, EASY LIFE. THIS IS SOMETHING I DIDN'T NEED. And A LOT OF YOU PEOPLE DON'T NEED EITHER. But WE LOVE OUR COUNTRY. WE HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF OUR COUNTRY. WE HAVE TO SAVE OUR COUNTRY.

[APPLAUSE]

EVERY POLICY MUST BE GEARED TOWARDS, THAT WHICH SUPPORTS THE AMERICAN WORKER, THE AMERICAN FAMILY, AND BUSINESSES BOTH LARGE AND SMALL AND ALLOWS OUR COUNTRY TO COMPETE WITH OTHER NATIONS ON A VERY LEVEL PLAYING FIELD, WHICH WE NEVER HAD UNTIL I CAME ALONG. THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION CAME ALONG. NOW WE ARE LOSING IT. THEY ARE MOVING BACK INTO CHINA, they're moving back into THESE OTHER COUNTRIES. IT'S HORRIBLE. THAT MEANS LOW TAXES, LOW REGULATIONS AND FAIR TRADE, MUCH OF WHICH I'VE ALREADY COMPLETED, BUT NOW WE'LL even greatly ENHANCE, OTHER COUNTRIES SHOULD PAY FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF COMING INTO THE AMERICAN MARKETPLACE. THEY HAVE TO PAY TO COME INTO OUR COUNTRY AND MAKE all of THAT MONEY, TAKE it AWAY FROM US. THANKS TO THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION, STILL THE BEST AND BIGGEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD IS WHAT WE HAVE. WE HAVE THE BEST AND BIGGEST. FOR MANY YEARS YOU CAN LOOK IN YOUR PROJECTION BOOKS, CHINA WAS GOING TO TAKE OVER FROM US AS THE LARGEST ECONOMY IN THE WORLD IN 2018 OR 2019. I SAID I DON'T LIKE THAT TIMING. I WAS WITH PRESIDENT XI, WHO IS NOW PRESIDENT FOR LIFE. I CALL HIM KING. HE SAID "NO NO, I AM NOT THE KING". I SAID,

YES YOU ARE THE KING, YOU'RE PRESIDENT FOR LIFE, THAT'S THE SAME THING". But I said, "PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT, YOU CAN'T DO THESE THINGS, you can't", REMEMBER THEY HAD CHINA 25, THAT MEANS CHINA WAS GOING TO TAKE OVER VIRTUALLY THE whole world ECONOMY BY '25. I said "that's not a nice sign, I don't want that sign", THEY TOOK IT DOWN, THEY TOOK DOWN THE HALL SLOGAN. PROBABLY WILL BE COMING BACK IN THE NEAR FUTURE. Nut I FOUND IT VERY INSULTING. I said I find that very insulting. On day one, we will end JOE BIDEN'S AMERICAN WAR ON AMERICAN ENERGY. And YOU WILL SEE WHEN THAT HAPPENS, YOU WILL SEE ENERGY COSTS COME DOWN. BECAUSE ENERGY IS SO BIG AND IMPORTANT, YOU WILL SEE INFLATION DROPPING, DROPPING, DROPPING, DROPPING. YOU WILL SEE it COME DOWN. IT'S A THING OF BEAUTY. YOU WOULDN'T THINK IT'S THAT COMPLICATED. Now WHAT HAS BEEN COMPLICATED a little bit IS WHAT HAS HAPPENED WITH SO MANY OTHER THINGS. I believe originally STARTED BY THIS ENERGY DISASTER. WE WERE \$1.87 a gallon FOR GAS, NOW IT IS SITTING AT five six seven, even EIGHT DOLLARS AND IT'S GOING TO GO really BAD. THE SOCIALIST DISASTER KNOWN AS THE GREEN NEW DEAL WHICH IS

DESTROYING OUR COUNTRY, AND THE MANY CRIPPLING REGULATIONS THAT IT HAS SPAWNED, WILL BE IMMEDIATELY TERMINATED SO OUR COUNTRY CAN AGAIN BREATHE, AND GROW, AND THRIVE LIKE IT SHOULD.

[APPLAUSE]

It's VERY, VERY MUCH HURTING OUR COUNTRY. GERMANY TRIED IT, you know, Germany tried it,. THEY WERE UP FOR ABOUT A YEAR. REMEMBER, I sent to, Angela, do you remember Angela? Nobody's remembering her now. ANGELA MERKEL, I SENT HER a white FLAG OF SURRENDER. SHE SAID, WHY DO YOU SEND THIS TO ME DORNALD [sic]. I SAID, Angela, I SENT IT TO YOU BECAUSE THIS IS A FLAG OF SURRENDER, YOU'RE GETTING 78% OF YOUR ENERGY FROM RUSSIA, and WHEN THAT HAPPENS, HISTORY HAS PROVEN IT IS NOT GOOD FOR GERMANY. Just TAKE A LOOK OVER THE LAST 150 YEARS, It hasn't been good. WHAT I DIDN'T KNOW WAS WOULD TAKE PLACE SO FAST [sic], and GERMANY CLOSED, as you know, ALL OF ITS COAL POWER PLANTS, and it's nuclear plants, they closed everything, and NOW THEY'RE BUILDING COAL PLANTS AND they're BUILDING THEM FAST. And CHINA'S BUILDING A COAL PLANT EVERY WEEK. Every week THEY OPEN UP ANOTHER. And then THEY TALK ABOUT ALL OF THE THINGS THAT THEY DO ENVIRONMENTALLY. THEY ARE WATCHING US DIE WITH THE GREEN NEW DEAL, WITH OUR WINDMILLS AND SOLAR THAT DOESN'T HAVE THE POWER TO FIRE UP OUR GREAT FACTORIES AND our GREAT PLANTS. THEY ARE WATCHING US DIE IN THEIR LAUGHING, AS IT HAPPENS. Remember, ECONOMIC SECURITY IS NATIONAL SECURITY. THAT IS WHAT IT IS. WE NEED ECONOMIC SECURITY.

[APPLAUSE]

THAT IS WHY WE WILL LAUNCH AN ALL-OUT CAMPAIGN TO ELIMINATE AMERICA'S DEPENDENCE ON CHINA. WE WILL BRING OUR SUPPLY CHAINS WHICH ARE A DISASTER RIGHT NOW. YOU CAN'T GET ANYTHING. GOOD LUCK GETTING A TURKEY FOR THANKSGIVING. YOU WON'T GET IT AND IF YOU DO YOU WILL PAY THREE TO FOUR TIMES MORE THAN you paid LAST YEAR. But WE WILL BRING OUR SUPPLY CHAINS AND MANUFACTURING BASE BACK HOME, AS WE WERE STRONGLY DOING DURING THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION. And WE WILL SYSTEMATICALLY BRING BACK HEALTH, WEALTH AND SUCCESS TO THE AMERICAN MIDDLE CLASS AND TO AMERICA ITSELF.

[APPLAUSE]

Please... PLEASE, SIT DOWN. I FEEL GUILTY HAVING YOU STAND.

[CHEERING]

YOU HAVE BEEN STANDING FOR the whole, FOR THE WHOLE EVENT. I FEEL VERY GUILTY. I DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN. FOR EVERY WORKER AND FAMILY STRUGGLING TO SURVIVE IN THE BIDEN ECONOMY WITH INFLATION DESTROYING YOUR FAMILY and your

life, THIS CAMPAIGN WILL BE FOR YOU. HELP IS ON THE WAY. JOE BIDEN HAS ABOLISHED AMERICA'S BORDERS. WE ARE GOING TO RESTORE AND SECURE AMERICA'S BORDERS JUST LIKE WE HAD THEM BEFORE. BEST EVER. WE BUILT THE WALL. And NOW WE WILL ADD TO IT. We built the wall, WE COMPLETED THE WALL AND THEN WE SAID, LET'S DO MORE, and WE DID A LOT MORE. And AS WE WERE DOING IT, WE HAD AN ELECTION THAT CAME up. WHEN THEY CAME IN, THEY HAD THREE MORE WEEKS TO COMPLETE THE ADDITIONS TO THE WALL WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN GREAT. THEY SAID, NO WE ARE NOT GOING TO DO THAT. And THAT IS WHEN I REALIZED THAT THEY ACTUALLY WANT TO HAVE THIS DISASTER KNOWN AS OPEN BORDERS. HARD TO BELIEVE, isn't it. But ONE OF THE REASONS WE HAD SO MUCH A SUCCESS AT THE BORDER WAS BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT, TWO THINGS. WE GOT MEXICO TO BRING US, free of charge, 20,000 SOLDIERS. PRESIDENT OF MEXICO IS A GREAT GENTLEMAN, by the way, A SOCIALIST BUT THAT IS OK. YOU CAN'T HAVE EVERYTHING. HE IS A GREAT MAN AND A GREAT FRIEND. 28 THOUSAND SOLDIERS WHILE WE WERE BUILDING THE WALL. And then WHEN THE WALL WAS FINISHED, THAT'S HOW WE SET all these RECORDS, RECORDS THAT NO ONE CAN even COMPETE WITH. IT'S A DISASTER RIGHT NOW. IT'S 10 MILLION PEOPLE COMING IN, NOT 3 MILLION OR 4 MILLION, POURING INTO OUR COUNTRY. WE HAVE NO IDEA WHO THEY ARE OR WHAT IS HAPPENING TO OUR COUNTRY. WE ARE BEING POISONED. WITHIN MOMENTS OF MY INAUGURATION, CATCH AND RELEASE WILL BE GONE FOREVER. REMAIN IN MEXICO.

[APPLAUSE]

REMAIN IN MEXICO, WHICH WAS SO IMPORTANT. EVERYONE CAME HERE AND REMAINED HERE NEVER LEFT. IF YOU COULDN'T GET THEM, you COULDN'T FIND THEM. I HAD A POLICY, REMAIN IN MEXICO. And IF YOU THOUGHT IT WAS EASY FOR ME TO GET THE PRESIDENT OF MEXICO TO AGREE, IT WASN'T. BUT WE GOT IT. AND THEY TERMINATED IT. NOW THEY COME HERE AND STAY IN WE HAVE NO IDEA WHERE THEY ARE, AND THEY GET LOST. And IT'S very DANGEROUS FOR OUR COUNTRY. And again, I'll say, WE ARE GOING TO PAY A BIG PRICE SOMEDAY FOR WHAT THEY ARE DOING. WE WILL BEGIN THE PROCESS OF SAFELY REMOVING THE ILLEGAL ALIEN CRIMINALS THAT HAVE BEEN UNLAWFULLY ALLOWED INTO OUR COUNTRY. WE HAVE NO CHOICE. WE HAVE NO CHOICE.

[APPLAUSE]

And RESTORING BORDER SECURITY WE WILL STOP THE FLOW OF DEADLY DRUGS AND HORRIBLE HUMAN TRAFFICKING, WHICH both HAVE BEEN SET UPON US LIKE NEVER BEFORE. THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING, YOU THINK OF IT AS AN ANCIENT THING. IT'S NOT ANCIENT, BECAUSE OF THE INTERNET, HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS

WORSE THAN IT HAS EVER BEEN in history. And WE STOP them AT THE SOUTHERN BORDER, WHICH IS THE NUMBER ONE PORT. SO MUCH COMES THROUGH THE SOUTHERN BORDER. NUMBER ONE PORT AND WE STOP THEM and NOW, IT'S AT LEVELS THAT ARE MANY, MANY TIMES WHAT IT WAS TWO YEARS AGO. BIDEN AND THE RADICAL LEFT HAVE LET LOOSE ON THIS TOTAL BREAKDOWN OF LAW AND ORDER. IT WAS A TOTAL BREAKDOWN OF LAW AND ORDER. I WILL RESTORE PUBLIC SAFETY AND AMERICAN CITIES AND OTHER COMMUNITIES THAT NEED OUR HELP. And IF THEY DON'T WANT OUR HELP WE'RE GONNA INSIST THAT THEY TAKE OUR HELP THIS TIME. THE DEMOCRAT GOVERNORS, THESE ARE ALL DEMOCRAT CITIES, THE GOVERNORS AND MAYORS ARE SUPPOSED ASK FOR THE HELP, and THEY WOULD NEVER ASK FOR the HELP. And yet PEOPLE ARE BEING SHOT AND KILLED AT RANDOM, LIKE NO ONE HAS EVER SEEN BEFORE. And WE SENT IN THE NATIONAL GUARD IN MINNEAPOLIS AND in OTHER PLACES. IN SEATTLE, WE WERE GETTING READY TO GO AND THEY TOOK OVER PART OF THE CITY. And the governors, THE DEMOCRATS DON'T WANT TO EVER ASK TO DO ANYTHING BECAUSE THEY DO WANT TO SHAKE THINGS UP. In the meantime, the CITIES ARE ROTTING. And THEY ARE INDEED, CESSPOOLS OF BLOOD. But WE'RE GOING TO GO HELP THEM EVEN THOUGH THEY DON'T WANT OUR HELP. WE WILL GIVE OUR POLICE BACK THERE AUTHORITIES, RESOURCES, POWER, LEGAL PROTECTION, AND WE WILL GIVE BACK THEIR RESPECT. THEY ARE GREAT PEOPLE. I WILL IMMEDIATELY LAUNCH A NO HOLDS BAR NATIONAL CAMPAIGN TO DISMANTLE THE GANGS AND CLEAN OUT THE NESTS OF ORGANIZED STREET CRIME.

[APPLAUSE]

You know, THE WORST CRIMINALS, THE WORST GANGS ARE MS-13, and UNDER THE BARACK Hussein OBAMA ADMINISTRATION THEY WERE UNABLE TO TAKE THEM OUT, BECAUSE THEIR COUNTRIES where THEY CAME FROM WOULD NOT TAKE THEM. I LEARNED ABOUT THAT. And my first day, I actually say, but I learned about it, and I said "WHICH COUNTRIES ARE THAT?" IT WAS HONDURAS, GUATEMALA, EL SALVADOR. I SAID, "HOW MUCH DO WE PAY THEM?" "Sir we PAY THEM \$750 MILLION A YEAR". I SAID, "ALL RIGHT, stop payment, WE'RE NOT PAYING THEM ANYMORE". Because THEY WOULDN'T ACCEPT THEM. THEY WOULD PUT PLANES ON THE RUNWAY SO WHEN OUR PLANE WOULD COME OUT WITH GANG MEMBERS FROM MS 13 THE PLANE CANNOT LAND BECAUSE OTHER PLANES WERE ON THE RUNWAY. THE BUSES WERE NOT ALLOWED TO GET THROUGH THEIR BORDERS BECAUSE THEY HAD STRONGER BORDERS THAN WE DID, by far. They had borders, WE DON'T HAVE BORDERS, THEY had borders. OTHER COUNTRIES WE DEFEND HAVE BORDERS. WE DEFEND OTHER COUNTRIES BORDERS BUT we don't defent OUR OWN. But THESE COUNTRIES and I GOT TO KNOW ALL OF THE PRESIDENTS, PRIME MINISTERS, I got to know them all, "I SAID, ALL RIGHT, STOP PAYMENT of the \$750 MILLION A YEAR. They won't take them," and YOU



could not GET ANYBODY BACK IN, because THEY SENT THEM OUT, THEY DIDN'T just come out, they don't want the bad ones THEY WANT TO KEEP THEIR GOOD ONES. THEY DON'T WANT THE BAD ONES. THESE ARE GANG MEMBERS THAT WILL KILL, AND THEY LIKE USING KNIVES BECAUSE THE KNIFE IS MORE PAINFUL THAN A GUN. You've read the stories, MS-13 THESE ARE SAVAGES. THEY SAY PLEASE DON'T USE THAT NAME, they're people I SAY NO they're not, THESE ARE SAVAGES. So we went along and I SAID STOP PAYMENT OF THE \$750 MILLION dollars AND I GET A CALL FROM THE NEXT MORNING FROM THE PRESIDENTS OF EVERY COUNTRY WE ARE TALKING ABOUT. SIR, THERE SEEMS TO BE A MISUNDERSTANDING, WHAT IS THE PROBLEM? YEAH, YOU'RE NOT TAKING YOUR MS-13 GANG MEMBERS BACK THAT YOU SENT TO US, IN THE CARAVANS. I LOVE THE NAME, I came up with it, THE CARAVANS, THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE. IN THOSE CARAVANS YOU HAVE ROUGH, ROUGH PEOPLE. I SAID YOU ARE NOT TAKING THEM BACK. WELL, WE DIDN'T KNOW THIS WAS A PROBLEM, SIR, IS THERE ANYTHING WE COULD DO? I SAID, YEAH TAKE THEM BACK. WE WOULD BE GLAD TO TAKE THEM BACK, sir. They took them back. I STILL DIDN'T GIVE THEM THE \$750 MILLION. That's a...

[APPLAUSE]

BY THE WAY, NOW BIDEN WANTS TO GIVE THEM \$4 BILLION. THEY WERE HAPPY WITH 750 AND NOW THEY WANT TO GIVE THEM \$4 BILLION dollars. SOMEBODY, SOMEDAY IS GOING TO EXPLAIN THAT ONE TO ME. IT ACTUALLY MAKES YOU RAGE WITH ANGER, WHEN YOU HEAR THAT. THEY WANTED \$750 MILLION AND NOW THEY'RE GETTING \$4 BILLION. WE WILL WAGE WAR AMONG THE CARTEL AND STOP THE FENTANYL and deadly drugs KILLING 200,000 AMERICANS PER YEAR.

[APPLAUSE]

I WILL ASK CONGRESS FOR LEGISLATION ENSURING THAT DRUG DEALERS AND HUMAN TRAFFICKERS, THESE ARE TERRIBLE, TERRIBLE HORRIBLE, PEOPLE WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR DEATH, CARNAGE, AND CRIME ALL OVER OUR COUNTRY. EVERY DRUG DEALER, DURING HIS OR HER LIFE, ON AVERAGE, WILL KILL 500 PEOPLE WITH THE DRUGS THEY SELL, NOT TO MENTION THE DESTRUCTION OF FAMILIES. BUT WE'RE GOING TO BE ASKING EVERYONE WHO SELLS DRUGS, GETS CAUGHT selling drugs, TO RECEIVE THE DEATH PENALTY FOR THEIR HEINOUS ACTS. BECAUSE IT'S THE ONLY WAY. WE DON'T NEED ANY MORE BLUE-RIBBON COMMITTEES. We don't need I DON'T LIKE TO SAY THIS. And I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF THE AMERICAN PUBLIC IS READY FOR IT. And A LOT OF MY PEOPLE SAY, PLEASE DON'T SAY THAT, SIR. THAT'S NOT NICE. THEY KILL 500 PEOPLE EACH ON AVERAGE. And IF YOU DON'T DO THIS, IN CHINA, WHEN I WAS WITH PRESIDENT XI, I SAID, "DO

YOU HAVE A DRUG PROBLEM?" "NO NO NO WE DON'T". HE LOOKED AT ME LIKE I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT I WAS DOING. He said "no we don't have a drug" "HOW COME you DON'T HAVE A DRUG PROBLEM?" HE SAID "QUICK TRIAL". "WHAT IS A QUICK TRIAL?" I sorta knew. "THAT IS WHERE IF YOU GET CAUGHT DEALING DRUGS, YOU HAVE AN IMMEDIATE AND QUICK TRIAL. And BY THE END OF THE DAY YOU'RE EXECUTED". And THAT'S A TERRIBLE THING. BUT THEY HAVE NO DRUG PROBLEM. THE ONLY drug problem THEY HAVE IS THAT THEY MAKE THE FENTANYL THAT COMES INTO OUR COUNTRY, and I HAD HIM STOPPING IT. And THEN, WHEN I WAS GONE, NO ONE ever MENTIONED IT TO HIM AGAIN. WE WERE STOPPING IT. That was way down that number. But they send it in. BUT THEY DON'T HAVE A DRUG PROBLEM. Uh, OTHER COUNTRIES LIKE SINGAPORE HAS NO DRUG PROBLEM. You ask them, THEY DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT when you say drug problem, THEY DON'T EVEN KNOW what you're talking about, THEY HAVE NO DRUG PROBLEM. WHY SHOULD THEY RISK THEIR LIVES EVERY TIME THEY SELL, WHEN THEY CAN COME TO THE UNITED STATES AND NOBODY EVEN CARES. THEY CAN DO WHATEVER THEY WANT TO DO AND BECOME RICH. IT'S A DISGRACE. IF YOU WANT TO GET RID OF THAT AND also BRING DOWN YOUR LEVEL OF CRIME probably 75 or 80%, THAT IS THE ONLY ANSWER. NO MORE BLUE-RIBBON, I REFUSE TO CREATE THEM ANYMORE. NEW YORK PEOPLE WANT TO BE ON A COMMITTEE FOR PUBLICLY REASONS, no, NO MORE BLUE-RIBBON COMMITTEES. THAT IS THE ONLY WAY YOUR GONNA SOLVE THE PROBLEM. I HOPE POLITICIANS ARE LISTENING BECAUSE THEY SHOULD DO IT QUICKLY. JOE BIDEN HAS ALSO PROVEN HE IS COMMITTED TO INDOCTRINATING OUR CHILDREN, EVEN USING THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AGAINST PARENTS WHO OBJECT. IT'S A TERRIBLE THING. It's a, IT'S SO SAD WHAT IS HAPPENING.

[booing from a few people]

WHEN I AM IN THE WHITE HOUSE, OUR SCHOOLS WILL CEASE PUSHING CRITICAL RACE THEORY AS THEY WERE.

[APPLAUSE]

RADICAL sermons, and GENDER INSANITY, or IF THEY DO THAT THEY WILL LOSE ALL FEDERAL FUNDING. BUT WE'LL GET 'EM TO STOP. And I WILL BE THE PRESIDENT WHO FINALLY FIXES EDUCATION IN AMERICA. WE WERE DOING GREAT. WE WERE STARTING TO really GET IT RIGHT. WE WILL NOT LET MEN, as an example, PARTICIPATE IN WOMEN'S SPORTS.

[APPLAUSE]

NO way NO MEN. NO MEN.

[APPLAUSE]

MY PEOPLE TELL ME, SIR THAT'S POLITICALLY INCORRECT TO SAY. I SAID THAT'S OK I'll say it anyway IF YOU DON'T MIND. WE HAD TREMENDOUS, TREMENDOUS PROBLEMS AND you know IT IS VERY UNFAIR TO WOMEN, it's very unfair. WE WILL DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS AND WE WILL DEFEND THE FAMILY AS THE CENTER OF AMERICAN LIFE.

[APPLAUSE]

WHO WOULD THINK, STANDING UP HERE, 10 YEARS AGO, 15 YEARS AGO THAT A POLITICIAN, I DON'T LIKE TO THINK OF MYSELF AS A POLITICIAN BUT I GUESS THAT IS WHAT I AM... I HATE THAT THOUGHT. But then a politician would be up, saying WE WILL DEFEND PARENTAL RIGHTS. Of course we're going to defend parental rights, WHO WOULD THINK WE WOULD EVEN HAVE TO MENTION THIS? WHO WOULD THINK IT SHOULD even BE A SUBJECT TO BE TALKED ABOUT? WE HAVE TO DEFEND PARENTAL RIGHTS, CAN YOU BELIEVE THIS? AS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, I WILL GET BIDENS RADICAL LEFT IDEOLOGY OUT OF OUR MILITARY. And I DID. IN THE FIRST DAY THEY PUT IT BACK. THEY SIGNED AN EXECUTIVE ORDER and THEY PUT IT BACK. IT WAS GONE. WE WILL ABOLISH EVERY BIDEN COVID MANDATE AND REHIRE EVERY PATRIOT WHO WAS FIRED FROM OUR MILITARY, WITH AN APOLOGY AND FULL BACK PAY.

[APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU. And THEY DESERVE AN APOLOGY. And THEY DESERVE FULL BACK PAY AND THEY WILL GET IT. And UNLIKE BIDEN POSSIBLY GETTING US INTO WORLD WAR III, WHICH CAN SERIOUSLY HAPPEN, I WILL KEEP AMERICA OUT OF FOOLISH AND UNNECESSARY FOREIGN WARS, JUST AS I DID FOR FOUR STRAIGHT YEARS.

[APPLAUSE]

WE WILL AGAIN HAVE PEACE THROUGH STRENGTH. THAT IS ALL IT IS. AS EVENTS OVERSEAS HAVE SHOWN TO PROTECT FROM THE UNTHINKABLE THREAT of nuclear weapons AND HYPERSONIC missiles, the United States MUST ALSO BUILD A STATE-OF-THE-ART NEXT-GENERATION missile DEFENSE SHIELD, we need it. THE POWER OF THESE MISSILES AND THE POWER OF A WORD I REFUSE TO SAY, "NUCLEAR". WE HAVE TO HAVE IT. WE NEED A DEFENSE SHIELD. And WE HAVE TO DO IT. And WE ACTUALLY HAVE THE TECHNOLOGY AND WE ARE GOING TO BUILD IT, JUST AS I REBUILT OUR MILITARY I WILL GET THIS DONE. I REBUILT OUR ENTIRE MILITARY, WHICH NOBODY TALKS ABOUT. WHEN I GOT THERE WE HAD JET FIGHTERS THAT WERE 48 YEARS OLD, WE HAD BOMBERS THAT WERE 60 YEARS OLD, WE HAD BOMBERS WHERE THE GRFFANDFATHERS FLEW them when they were new. And NOW THE

GRANDCHILD IS FLYING THE BOMBER BUT NOT ANYMORE, but AS I'VE SAID BEFORE THE GRAVEST THREATS TO OUR CIVILIZATION ARE NOT FROM ABROAD BUT FROM WITHIN. NOTHING IS GREATER THAN THE WEAPONIZATION FROM THE justice SYSTEM, THE FBI, and THE DOJ. WE MUST CONDUCT A TOP TO BOTTOM OVERHAUL TO CLEAN OUT THE FESTERING ROT AND CORRUPTION OF WASHINGTON DC.

[APPLAUSE]

[CHANTING]

THANK YOU. And I AM A VICTIM, I will tell you, I AM A VICTIM. THE FBI OFFERED \$1 MILLION TO CHRISTOPHER STEELE WHO WROTE THE FAKE DOSSIER, IF HE WILL LIE AND SAY THAT THE FAKE DOSSIER WAS TRUE. AND HE REFUSED TO DO IT. SO IT HAD TO BE REALLY FAKE. THEN THEY HIRED SOMEBODY, Tim Chanko (?) FOR \$200,000 A YEAR TO FOCUS ON TRUMP AND TO GET TRUMP AND OTHER THINGS, INCLUDING INCLUDING THE BEAUTIFUL HOUSE THAT SITS RIGHT HERE. The raid of Mar-A-Lago. And, I say, "Why didn't you raid Bush's place? Why didn't you raid Clinton? 32,000 EMAILS, WHY DIDN'T YOU RAID CLINTON'S PLACE? Why didn't you do OBAMA, who TOOK A LOT OF THINGS WITH HIM?" WE WILL DISMANTLE THE DEEP STATE AND RESTORE government BY THE PEOPLE. To further drain the swamp, I WILL PUSH FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO OPPOSE TERM LIMITS ON members of CONGRESS, IT'S TIME.

[CHEERING]

I WILL ASK FOR A PERMANENT BAN ON TAXPAYER FUNDING OF CAMPAIGNS. A lifetime ban on lobbying by former members of Congress and Cabinet members...

[APPLAUSE]

Now I SEE WHAT THEY MAKE, THEY LEAVE the White House or they leave Congress AND THEY ARE PAID MILLIONS and millions and millions OF DOLLARS A YEAR, no YOU HAVE TO HAVE A BAN. WE WANT a BAN on the MEMBERS OF CONGRESS GETTING RICH BY TRADING STOCKS WITH INSIDER INFORMATION.

[APPLAUSE]

AND MANY OF OUR GREAT MEMBERS AGREE WITH THAT. THEY ACTUALLY AGREE WITH THAT, AND OF COURSE, WE WILL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO BRING BACK HONESTY, CONFIDENCE, AND TRUST IN OUR ELECTIONS.

[APPLAUSE]

TO ELIMINATE CHEATING, I WILL IMMEDIATELY VOTER ID, SAME-DAY VOTING. AND ONLY PAPER BALLOTS.

[LONG APPLAUSE]

Only paper ballots

[APPLAUSE]

FRANCE HAD AN ELECTION 36 MILLION PEOPLE VOTED, IT WAS DONE BY 10:00 IN THE EVENING, NO COMPLAINTS. YOU HAD A WINNER you had a LOSER THE loser WENT HOME, the winner, he's a friend of mine, NICE GUY, THOUGHT HE WAS HAPPY. But THERE WAS NO COMPLAINTS. IF THERE is A COMPLAINT YOU CAN CHECK IT OUT AND FIX IT EASILY, YOU CAN FIND OUT WHAT IS GOING ON. NO, PAPER BALLOTS, VOTER ID. SO SIMPLE. And, AND, WE WANT ALL VOTES. COUNTED. BY ELECTION NIGHT.

[APPLAUSE]

THEY SPENT ALL OF THE MONEY FOR MACHINES AND ALL OF THIS STUFF AND THEY END UP, TWO WEEKS LATER, THREE WEEKS LATER, BY THAT TIME EVERYONE FORGOT THERE WAS EVEN ELECTION, IT'S HORRIBLE. And this DOESN'T HAPPEN, I said it before, it doesn't happen IN THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES, THEY DO BETTER THAN WE DO. IT'S HORRIBLE WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH OUR ELECTION and election PROCESS. And I WILL GET THAT JOB DONE. IT'S A PERSONAL JOB FOR ME. I TAKE THAT PERSONALLY. But THIS IS JUST THE BEGINNING OF OUR AGENDA. And THAT IS WHAT I WILL CALL A NATIONAL GREATNESS AGENDA. OUR COUNTRY CAN BE GREATER THAN IT ever WAS. OUR COUNTRY WAS GREAT. OUR COUNTRY IS NOT GREAT ANYMORE. Our country's A LAUGHINGSTOCK RIGHT NOW. But OUR COUNTRY CAN BE GREATER THAN IT EVER WAS BEFORE, BY A LOT. THERE WILL BE MORE, MUCH MORE TO COME. IN THE MONTHS AHEAD. THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS WE CAN DO, MANY of them ARE NOT EVEN HARD TO IMPLEMENT. THE JOURNEY AHEAD OF US WILL NOT BE EASY. ANYONE WHO TRULY SEEKS TO TAKE ON THIS RIGGED AND CORRUPT SYSTEM WILL BE FACED WITH A STORM OF FIRE THAT ONLY A FEW COULD UNDERSTAND <this is a relatively obvious dog whistle for QAnon>. RIGHT? I HAPPEN TO HAVE SOME CHILDREN that the [unintelligible] THEY UNDERSTAND. IN FACT, MY ONE BOY, STAND UP ERIC.

[APPLAUSE]

I THINK HE GOT MORE SUBPOENAS THAN ANY MAN IN THE HISTORY OF OUR COUNTRY. SO UNFAIR. AL CAPONE, YOU all HEARD OF THE GREAT GANGSTER? AL CAPONE GOT FAR LESS. BILLY THE KID ALMOST GOT NONE. JESSE JAMES, NO. ERIC TRUMP GOT MORE SUBPOENAS. HE'S, HE'S IS A PHD IN SUBPOENAS. They come from Congress. I APPRECIATE THE JOB YOU DO AND THE ABUSE YOU HAVE TAKEN. I REALLY DO.

[APPLAUSE]

IT HASN'T BEEN A JOYRIDE FOR OUR GREAT FIRST LADY EITHER. IT HASN'T BEEN A JOYRIDE. STAND UP.

[CHEERING]

AND SHE SAYS THEY DO LOVE HER. AND SHE SAYS THEY LOOK ANGRY AND UPSET. AND I SAY LEAVE ME ALONE. IT HASN'T BEEN THE EASIEST THING. BUT SHE HAS BEEN A GREAT FIRST LADY. PEOPLE LOVE HER.

[APPLAUSE]

WE WILL BE RESISTED BY THE combined forces of the establishment, the media, the SPECIAL INTERESTS, GLOBALISTS, the MARXIST RADICALS, the WOKE CORPORATIONS, the WEAPONIZED POWER OF THE federal GOVERNMENT, the COLOSSAL POLITICAL MACHINES, THE TIDAL WAVE OF DARK MONEY IN THE MOST DANGEROUS DOMESTIC CENSORSHIP SYSTEM EVER CREATED BY MAN OR WOMAN. The most dangerous system that we've ever had. WE WILL BE ATTACKED. WE WILL BE SLANDERED. WE WILL BE PERSECUTED, JUST AS I HAVE BEEN, I mean I have been, AND MANY PEOPLE IN THIS ROOM HAVE BEEN. BUT WE WILL NOT BE INTIMIDATED. WE WILL PERSEVERE, STAND TALL IN THE STORM, MARCH FORWARD, into the torrent, AND WE, in the end, WILL WIN. Our country will win. WE WILL WIN <This is also a well-known QAnon reference, it's exactly as violent as it sounds>.

[APPLAUSE]

My fellow Americans, WE WILL JOIN TOGETHER AND REVERSE THIS STAGGERING AMERICAN DECLINE, and it is staggering INDEED, <the "america in decline" narrative is pretty common in Russia/China propaganda, and the possibility is very real and worrying, but there is recent precedent of similar statements during elections>. AND we will AGAIN WILL RESTORE THE SPIRIT OF OUR NATION. AND THEN, WE MUST BUILD AND RAISE up A LEGACY THAT WILL STAND WITHOUT EQUAL IN THE ENTIRE HISTORY OF THE WORLD. WITH YOUR HELP, WE WILL CREATE COMMUNITIES WHERE OUR CHILDREN WILL GROW UP SAFE AND STRONG, AND a nation where they will grow up FREE AND PROSPEROUS AND WELL. WE WILL REESTABLISH THE PRINCIPLES OF HARD WORK AND MERIT AND END THE SCOURGE OF HOMELESSNESS that is plaguing our beleaguered Democrat-run cities. WE WILL HEAL OUR DIVISIONS AND BRING OUR PEOPLE BACK TOGETHER THROUGH incredible SUCCESS. WE WILL DEFEND LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS. WE WILL EXPAND HUMAN KNOWLEDGE AND EXTEND THE HORIZONS OF HUMAN ACHIEVEMENT AND we WILL PLANT OUR AMERICAN FLAG VERY SOON ON THE SURFACE OF MARS WHICH I GOT STARTED. BUT WE NEED EVERYONE INVOLVED. WE NEED TO LOOK OUT FOR ONE ANOTHER. WE NEED TO BE FRIENDS AND WE NEED EVERY PATRIOT ON BOARD.

[APPLAUSE]

BECAUSE THIS IS NOT JUST A CAMPAIGN. THIS IS A QUEST TO SAVE OUR COUNTRY. I AM TALKING ABOUT SAVING OUR COUNTRY.

[APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I AM ASKING FOR YOUR VOTE, YOUR SUPPORT, YOUR FRIENDSHIP AND YOUR PRAYERS AT THIS VERY INCREDIBLE BUT DANGEROUS JOURNEY. IF OUR MOVEMENT REMAINS UNITED, WE WILL SHATTER THE FORCES OF TYRANNY AND UNLEASH THE GLORIES OF LIBERTY FOR OURSELVES AND OUR CHILDREN AND for GENERATIONS YET TO COME. AMERICA'S GOLDEN AGE IS JUST AHEAD. AND TOGETHER, WE WILL NOT COME AMERICA POWERFUL AGAIN.

[APPLAUSE]

We will make America wealthy again.

[APPLAUSE]

We will amke America strong again.

[APPLAUSE]

We will make America proud again.

[APPLAUSE]

We will make America safe again.

[APPLAUSE]

We will make America glorious again.

[APPLAUSE]

And we will make America great again.

[APPLAUSE]

[poor CAPTIONING PERFORMED BY THE NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS CAPTION CONTENT AND inACCURACY]

THANK YOU, VERY MUCH. GOD BLESS YOU, ALL. THANK YOU.

[APPLAUSE]

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## Chapter 10 Should Trump Be Prosecuted or Be President?

I do not think the American people know what is going on in the country. For 50 years, the Republican Party has been the go along, get along party and the democrats have taken over schools, the news media, social media, government control. then we elected the president who said it is time to put America first. we had a president who said “Americans were smart enough to run their own lives and quit depending on the government to run their lives, take charge of yourself, America first.

The Swamp is losing their control and they do not like it. When i was growing up, my brother who is two years older than me would pick on me and I would go along with it. when I had finally had enough, I fought back. I was the one causing the problem. what we are seeing now is the American people, we are reminded of we the people and the politicians and the bureaucrats that are unelected and who fail in their power do not like it.

Nancy Pelosi told us the most honest statement when she said we have to vote on a bill we know what is in. The truth is the lobbyists to write the bills hundreds of vague language. Congress votes, then we turn it (music)

Progressives have again taken on Donald Trump. The most beleaguered politician and picked on politician in America somehow is always fair game to the nasty left. Well, it isn't right and it makes me love Donald Trump a lot more than I otherwise would. Every American deserves freedom of movement and freedom of speech and all the protective freedoms of the United States Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Anything less is tyranny.

It is my opinion that they are corrupt. There ought to be a law. In fact, there probably is a law but with the hateful Democrats running the country since early 2021, the corrupt administration with its corrupt DOJ, and seemingly corrupt Attorney General keeps constitutional protections for the progressives while providing zero

for those they don't like. And, of course that goes double for Donald Trump.

When Trump bucked the tide and defeated all-comer Republicans (Seventeen in the 2016 primary) and then defeated crooked Hillary Clinton for the presidency, among other things Donald Trump became the national punching bag for the Democrat Party. Before they even got a good look at him after he was first made president elect in November 2016.

The people elected him because they were fed up with what they saw as nasty Democrats and do-nothing elitist Republicans so Trump easily whooped a total of 17 major candidates who had entered into the Primary race. Then, before the 2020 Democratic Party presidential primaries, this was the largest presidential primary field for any political party in American history.

You may recall that to get things rolling in 2016, U.S. Senator Ted Cruz of Texas won the Iowa caucuses, and Trump won the New Hampshire primary and then the South Carolina primary. Most candidates disappeared after a few debates. From March 16, 2016, to May 3, 2016, only three candidates remained in the race:

Trump, Cruz, and Ohio Governor John Kasich were all that had survived to this point in the primary. Cruz put up a good fight but Trump scored landslide victories in New York and five northeastern states in April, before taking every delegate in the Indiana primary of May 3. Cruz ran out of opportunity and suspended his campaign. Kasich ended his campaign just one day later. The people clearly favored their president elect but the Democrat establishment had nothing but animus for the soon to be president. When he beat Hillary the Democrats were surprised and enraged and Trump's demise became their preoccupation.

Trump's enemies set out to remove him from office even before his inauguration—which when his term was almost over, culminated in a second election-year impeachment trial.

That the Left tried to undo the results of the 2016 by whatever means necessary is not in doubt. In his book, *Abuse of Power*, Fred Lucas reminds us of the dangers this take-down at all costs approach still

poses to constitutional government. It fully dissects what President Trump has rightly called one of the greatest hoaxes in our history.

Sara Carter, a Fox News Contributor and award winning correspondent saw Lucas's book this way: "A devastating and comprehensive takedown of Trump's impeachment, and a thoughtful look at the historical context of past impeachments, with strong reporting and research to combat the Left's inevitable rewrite of history."

There is little truth presented by the progressives about the former president, but in his expose, Fred Lucas goes beyond the tribalism and he does find the truth. He spends little time on partisan spin because the facts of the coup the Democrats attempted on Trump speak for themselves.

Lucas's Abuse of Power is recommended reading as it hits on subjects that America cares about For example:

1. How Elizabeth Warren tried to set an impeachment trap for Trump even before the inauguration.
2. Why the depths of the Biden family's international conflict of interests are worthy of a federal investigation.
3. Why Nancy Pelosi caved to The Squad to remain leadership
4. How Adam Schiff pushed Jerry Nadler out of the key spot to lead the impeachment.
5. How Democrats abandoned what would have been a crowning leftwing achievement in gun control legislation in order to pursue an impeachment that was destined to fail in the Senate.
6. How Mitt Romney's vindictive payback vote to convict likely prevented three moderate Democrats from rebelling against party leaders.

Democrats and hard and fast Lefties have not decided that after the January 6 fake hearings, they may still not be through with Trump. They watch him like hawks to find some fake news that they can spread to make life miserable for the former president and his family.

It is about time that Congress does something to stick up for any American Citizen that keeps getting it on the chin by faux officials.

After November 15th when Trump announced his candidacy for the Presidency, the Lefty Progressives began what appears to be another round of anti-trump movements aimed at putting the former president in his place.

The pundits suggest that the full impact of former President Trump's decision to again seek the presidency just became clear for the first time on Friday Nov 18th, but not in the way Trump would have wished. Attorney General Merrick Garland announced the appointment of a special counsel to head two big investigations about Trump.

The one is pertaining to attempts to overturn the 2020 presidential election and the other is about the handling of supposedly sensitive documents that ended up at Trump's Mar-a-Lago resort in Florida. Garland appears to be making political hay out of the US Attorney General's office as he appointed lefty career prosecutor Jack Smith to the role.

From my perspective Garland was not always corrupt but it sure seems that he is now. Garland has no problem going above the law to get Trump. Back in 2016, even before Trump was elected, the 11 Republican members of the Senate Judiciary Committee signed a letter saying they had no intention of consenting to any nominee from Obama. No proceedings of any kind were held on Garland's appointment.

There is no love lost between Garland and Trump. When Biden appointed him Attorney General and he was confirmed, he had a problem from the beginning about how to deal with Trump. The pressure from within the Democratic Party to prosecute Trump for anything—even spitting on the sidewalk has been enormous. But a Trump trial and a Trump acquittal would clearly be a political catastrophe.

Navigating a Trump prosecution for Garland after so many misfires in the plot to take down Trump has become much more difficult of late. After a year where Trump looked like he was too crippled to

run, the collapse of President Biden's approval ratings from grossly mismanaging the country made a Trump return to the White House a very real possibility.

At the same time, the Jan. 6 fake hearings kept the Democrat rage in the forefront. The fake hearings have done little but turbocharge Democratic rage. The sum and substance of the pressure, unfounded though it may be, is that not prosecuting Trump is now becoming practically impossible.

It is no secret that the elite Democrat machine collectively despises Trump and they seem to exert magic over regular Dem voters to spread the anti-trump poison. In fact, they disapprove of Trump much more than Republicans approve of him. Hating Trump has been the superglue that holds together the rickety, squabbling, nasty Democratic coalition together.

According to a recent "YouGov" Benchmark, Trump has an 84 percent unfavorable rating among Democrats — 77 percent "very unfavorable." I am surprised that there is any favorable feeling with all the hate and poison spewed by the likes of Chuck Schumer, Nancy Pelosi and the rest of the Dem big shots. Trump is the object of a one man hate extravaganza every day. It sure is not fair. With lefty liberals, the numbers are even worse: 88 percent unfavorable and 83 percent very unfavorable.

Right or wrong, regular Democrats overwhelmingly but incorrectly think Trump has responsibility for the Jan. 6 riot. With all the anti-Trump propaganda how can they think anything else?

Prosecuting Trump is risky territory for Garland. Not only will Trump fight any prosecution tooth and nail, he is also likely to go to any length to win. Regardless, the prize of a Trump prosecution to the nasty progressives seems worth it at all costs.

Being a presidential candidate will call into question the propriety of any prosecution, although most Democratic voters are unlikely to care. Any prosecution is going to be a circus in which any slip-up by Garland or his team would be disastrous for his fake soldiers.

Garland also needs to get Trump on a felony. A misdemeanor or civil penalty would be viewed as a weak, anti-climactic result — Republicans would celebrate and ridicule Garland, while Democrats would rage at him.

But worst of all would be an acquittal. If Trump were tried and acquitted, he could just coast off that victory right into the White House. It is nice for conservatives to have a way to fight the unfair treatment that the Lefties have been meting out to Trump since he made the trip down the escalator.

Despite nobody knowing the full extent of the evidence the Justice Department has or what else the fake Jan. 6 Committee will uncover, the Democrats lie so often, most conservatives agree with Trump that the system is rigged and Merrick Garland is playing politics against the country.

It would be impossible to truly handicap a real Trump trial — which leaves speculators trying to consider what would be the best political strategy for Garland that recognizes there will always be uncertainty as to getting an actual conviction. Any way you cut it, there will be a lot of risk. It seems that Joe Biden is pressing so hard, however for major action against Trump while he is blocking pressure regarding his own and Hunter's corruption, Garland's job is at stake, He has little choice it seems but to take the risk.

One thing nobody expects is that Garland will work for the good of the country and set up a special prosecutor to investigate the president. It is becoming more clear that Joe Biden has engaged in corrupt practices and his son Hunter as witnessed by testimony from his laptop which is the best witness for the prosecution.

Despite the clear truth, nobody expects Garland to do the right thing or he would lose his job. Joe Biden may not be the sharpest tool in the shed but his advisors would not permit Garland to take the proper action against him no matter what is right and fair for America and Americans.

Speculators think that there is so much pressure that Garland could just go for Trump right away, hoping that a prosecution will add to

Trump fatigue among GOP voters. If Trump thinks he will lose the Republican nomination (or a general election), speculation is that he would more than likely make up some kind of excuse to get out but I don't think so. I think Trump knows he is right and he will stay in the game until he brings Biden and Garland down.

This would have the effect of Trump using his “martyr” status to his advantage and cast any Republican primary opponent as being in cahoots with the Democrats. Trump is a smart competitor and will not be pushed around for any length of time without making a bigger, better strike back.

If the national Democratic leadership really wants Trump to run, viewing him as the most vulnerable Republican, they could encourage an impulsive move to prosecution. They would choose to boost their mantra of “enemies of democracy” and keep it as their main focus as it has been for the Democratic Party during these recent days.

The problem is that there are some shrewd operators in the slippery Democrat tent and they know that it is one thing to help get a few far-out candidates for Congress elected and it is another to risk re-electing Trump. They would definitely not want the latter.

What seems much more likely is that Garland will start on the outside and work his way in. By that I mean he will see if he can prosecute people in Trump's inner circle who were part of the decision-making process leading up to Jan. 6. A trial featuring a senior staff member or two might go a long way in satisfying Democrats baying for blood.

Trying people around Trump would have several side benefits. For one thing, such a trial might even yield evidence to use against Trump. The objective is to bring down the Donald so anything that helps, helps. It would also put pressure on Trump himself and increase Republican voter concern about backing a damaged candidate. Yeah. That's it—create a damaged candidate.

GOP voters are not looking for Trump to be martyred but might naturally rally around Trump if he is brought down unfairly or if they perceive that he got or was getting a raw deal. If Trump in his fight for survival, rather casually leaves a loyal staffer hang out to dry, that staffer might be convinced to agree to hang Trump.

Besides the “almosts” that are destined to occur, any trial or set of trials against Trump staffers would surely chew up time for Garland. All of this would help with a Trump prosecution. If Garland were able to collect evidence for a strong enough case against Trump, he could take his “persecution” to indict Trump well into 2024.

Democrats with Garland at the Justice helm can be expected to choose an “America Be Damned philosophy in any battle that creates a collision between demands for justice/getting Trump and the risk to the integrity of the American political system. In other words, getting even is more than likely to win out.

So as we move across time and Garland continues to act against Trump, if he were to indict in early 2024, completing an actual trial before the November election would be quite unlikely, thus the Attorney General might be able to escape the potential nightmare of a Trump acquittal—a risk which the Left wants to avoid at all costs.

Then again, if Trump is not the Republican nominee — or if he loses in 2024 — a conviction or acquittal is almost immaterial—Trump is gone from the scene. If Trump is convicted, any Republican President would at least strongly consider a Gerald Ford-style pardon. If a Democrat would win,, the Trumpster is headed to prison with certainty.

Consider if Trump is acquitted and a Democrat becomes president, Trump is likely still finished as he would be way past his political expiration date of age 82 in 2028. Even the indefatigable Super Trump would have a very hard time hanging on to relevance that far into the future. If another Republican wins in 2024, an acquitted Trump would be boxed out of the presidency until 2032. An acquitted Trump would be a whole different kind of trouble for another Republican in the White House, but he would not be back.



Maybe it will all work out. Despite Democrats frothing for a Trump indictment, I would bet they will have to wait. Since Garland's case is "trumped up" and everybody in American knows it, unless somehow Garland's case magically is an absolutely open-and-shut case, or the AG is simply ready to play with fire, he is more than likely to slow-play a Trump prosecution. But for those around, especially those who have been around for a long time. Garland's beedy little eyes on their carcasses would call for the best advice for them to be quickly lawyering up—the sooner the better.

Speculation is that AG Garland is following Biden's orders even moreso now that Republicans are firing up their own mud about the President as the likely target of an investigation into real (unfake) corruption with evidence from the Hunter laptop etc.

More importantly from a political standpoint, Garland made clear that Trump's entry into the 2024 presidential race was the key catalyst for his decision. If they can ride herd on the president and continue it fresh after six years, they believe they will be successful.

After gaining the majority in the House of Representatives in the midterm elections, top Republicans in the subsequent week on Thursday outlined a broad range of investigative targets focused on President Joe Biden and his family's business dealings. Let's see how the Democrats react to some of their own medicine.

When the 118th Congress comes into being, this committee will use a fine tooth comb to evaluate the status of Joe Biden's relationship with his family's foreign partners and whether he as a vice president or president has been compromised or "paid off" by foreign dollars and influence." Rep. James Comer of Kentucky spoke to the media about the plans for Joe Biden and not Hunter Biden as the focus element.

Comer is the top Republican on the House Oversight Committee. He concluded "I want to be clear: This is an investigation of Joe Biden, and that's where the committee will focus in this next Congress." Perhaps Joe Biden going to prosin will be the catalyst for Trump remaining free.

In the DeSantis / Trump battle origin time frame in early November, there was lots of other news. For example, Nancy Pelosi ended speculation about her future when she announced that she would not be running for any leadership post.

This marks the end of a major era for the first female House Leader. For the history buffs, Nancy Pelosi was is the 52nd Speaker of the House of Representatives, having made history in 2007 when she was elected the first woman to serve as Speaker of the House.

There appears to be no quid pro quo regarding the special Garland counsel and the news conference in which GOP Rep Jim Jordan who is expected to chair the House Judiciary Committee and other Republicans on the Oversight Committee but maybe there should be.

Republicans have made the connections between the president's son, Hunter Biden, and the president that they believe requires further investigation. Whereas Trump is guiltless over six years and then some, the Comer Oversight team has spoken with multiple whistleblowers who say they were involved in schemes involving what appears to be a corrupt Biden family—just about the whole family.

They fully checked out the Hunter Biden laptop, and from the whistleblowers, they also received “previously unknown transactions. “Clearly Joe Biden is a guilty party far in excess of what I would call a guiltless Donald Trump. Of course Merrick Garland and the Democrats who just lost House Leadership are far better liars than the Republicans.

What do the Republicans expect to find that will stick? Comer is specifically zeroing in on more than 100 bank activity reports, which are known as Suspicious Activity Reports. They are allegedly related to the Biden family and the report says that the Treasury Department has ignored the Chairman's repeated requests when Republicans were in the minority to hand over the reports. They have received just two.

It is amazing that so far, Comer has only seen two of those reports, so on about November 16, he renewed his request for the remainder of them. It is true that such reports are not always indicative of

criminal activity or wrongdoing but with the laptop in the foreground serving as a spotlight, the investigators expect to find paydirt for their work.

Comer has reported that “We would love to talk to people in the Biden family, specifically Hunter and Joe Biden.” Considering that for six years, the Democrats have been after Trump for political reasons, the White House was brash enough to suggest that the Republican work is politically motivated and a waste of time. That is certainly calling the kettle black.

The Dems make up their own facts and conclusions. “Instead of working with President Biden to address issues important to the American people, like lower costs, lower taxes, and reduced inflation, congressional Republicans’ top priority is to go after President Biden with politically motivated attacks chock full of long-debunked conspiracy theories” spokesmen for the White House Counsel’s office, Ian Sams, said in a statement to CNN. It is hard to believe such hypocrisy

The Dems continued: “President Biden is not going to let these political attacks distract him from focusing on Americans’ priorities—Tsk! Tsk!, “and we hope congressional Republicans will join us in tackling them instead of wasting time and resources on political revenge,” Sams added. Tsk! Tsk!

Another spokeswoman for Democrats on the House Oversight Committee, Nelly Decker, claimed that the Republicans “rehashed the same, partisan talking points” that have been circulating for years. Right! What is amazing is that for years Democrats accused the Republicans of the stunts they almost always get away with

President Biden has been caught lying on numerous occasions about discussing business matters with his son. He sticks to the same rhetoric about his son Hunter: 'I have great confidence in my son. I love him'

So Democrats say that whatever their reason, “Now that former President Trump is running for office again, House Republicans’ top

priority is attacking President Biden and his family in a desperate attempt to return Mr. Trump to power.”

Winning the house will mean a lot more power for the Republicans for they had little ability to enforce their document requests while investigating as the minority. But when the new Congress is sworn in in January, Republicans will gain subpoena power, which is a much more powerful enforcement mechanism to compel individuals and government entities to hand over information. Conservatives are hoping that they use the power properly.

As noted re: the suspicious activity reports are at the heart of Comer’s investigation. He is digging into a series of reports that Republicans claim US banks have filed related to Hunter Biden’s financial activities. For example, in a letter to the Treasury Department this week, Comer asked for any such reports related to various members of the Biden family, their business associates and companies linked to Hunter Biden.

He is also seeking communications within the Treasury Department, its financial crimes enforcement division and the White House regarding those family members and related businesses and associates. Eventually, Comer is expecting a treasure trove of information in response.

While Republicans have seized on the suspicious activity reports as evidence that Joe Biden’s son was involved in problematic activities, such reports are not conclusive and do not necessarily indicate wrongdoing. Financial institutions file millions of suspicious activity reports each year and few lead to law enforcement inquiries.

In addition to the reports, he is also seeking information from one of Hunter Biden’s former business partners, including communications related to Hunter Biden and Joe Biden’s finances, taxes and debts. The letters are part of a new round Comer fired off to various government agencies and individuals seeking more information to further his probe.

He also asked the National Archives for flight manifests and other documents related to Air Force Two and Marine Two during Biden’s

tenure as vice president, as well as communications related to Russia, Ukraine and Hunter Biden during his vice presidency.

From the FBI, he's seeking any documents related to "foreign intelligence services' efforts to compromise the Biden family" and information about Timothy Thibault, a former FBI agent that Republicans have accused of politicizing investigations. Thibault has already denied wrongdoing.

Another letter went to Georges Bergés, the gallery owner who showcased and sold Hunter Biden's artwork. Among the documents requested were communications with the White House and Hunter Biden, discussions about the pricing of Hunter Biden's work, and rosters of those who attended Hunter Biden's art shows and purchased his work. It sure seems that the Republicans are serious.

### **Is the FBI Political Nowadays?**

Federal prosecutors have been investigating Hunter Biden since 2018 with the appearance of the mysterious laptop yet have not brought any charges yet. When asked if they know whether the claims presented have already been investigated by federal prosecutors, Jordan said: "We don't know."

Jordan also said that under his leadership, the House Judiciary Committee will look into alleged "politicization" at the FBI. Jordan and other Republican lawmakers previously claimed that they've heard from FBI insiders and whistleblowers about anti-conservative bias fueling FBI decision-making, especially at the FBI's Washington Field Office.

Jordan revealed "I've been in Congress a few years now, and I've never seen anything like it... "Fourteen (FBI) agents came talk to us while we're in the minority about how political that place has become." That is certainly not good for America.

The alleged politicization according to Rep Jordan might include attempts by the FBI to suppress media coverage of the Hunter Biden laptop story in 2020.

A lot of these claims have been back and forth in GOP circles during Biden's administration. Now that Republicans are taking over the House next year, they'll have an official platform to investigate crooked matters and put them on display for Americans to see.

Some of the FBI agents that the GOP Congress team will be scrutinizing have previously denied any wrongdoing. The "whistleblowers" are anonymous and haven't testified at any public Congressional hearings.

"The FBI had offered self-serving testimony to Congress and responded to letters from legislators on numerous occasions to provide their corrupted perspective on an accurate accounting of how they do their work." He knows that the new FBI has no problem offering lies as truth.

Americans have seen the FBI under the Attorney General and Chris Wray acting as tools of the Democrats but they don't admit to doing anything wrong or corrupt. The men and women of the FBI claim to devote themselves to protecting the American people from terrorism, violent crime, cyber threats and other dangers, but more and more play politics for the Director and the AG.

Put quite simply: the FBI believes they are honest and claim to follow the facts without regard for politics. Regardless of their claims, Americans see a new and totally politicized FBI led to be corrupt from the top on down.

Garland is the most political AG that I have ever seen "It would be in the public interest to appoint a special prosecutor to independently manage an investigation and prosecution if there were an identified crime which there is not. Somehow Garland got fired up because Biden got fired up because he knows he can't beat Trump. He is looking for the government to remove Trump as an obstacle for his presidential reelection plans. AG Garland is willing to oblige.

All of a sudden after the former president's announcement that he is a candidate for president in the next election and the sitting president's stated intention to be a candidate as well, the AG decided to put his thumb on the scale.

The way I see it, there is a classic conflict of interest once Trump became a candidate, because prosecuting him would more than likely aid President Biden who happens to be AG Garland's boss.

Biden's White House was prepared with a barrage of lies and appeared adamant in asserting its non-involvement in the Attorney General's decision. And the moon is made of green cheese. Here is a classic lie from the Pinocchio in Chief. White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre said at a Friday's media briefing that Biden "was not aware" that Garland was going to appoint a special counsel. "We were not given advance notice," she added. Sure America believes that?

Trump, of course believes that. Sure! Naturally, he has come out with all guns blazing. Trump knows it is a continuation of the six-year Witch Hunt!

In an interview after the AG announced the special counsel etc., the former president branded the appointment "a disgrace" and said that it was "only happening because I am leading in every poll in both parties." He's right. Witch Hunt! There is no truth when a Democrat official speaks.

His first assertion is a matter of opinion, but his second is not as true. Trump has fallen behind Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis in some polls so it is not every poll of a hypothetical 2024 GOP primary battle.

We know that Ron DeSantis kicked butt in his mid-term 19 point victory over Charlie Crist for FL Governor. He clearly had the best midterm election of any Republican in the country, storming to a resounding reelection victory. Trump, meanwhile, saw some of his most high-profile endorsees lose, losing about 30 in total while being victorious in about 220. His winning percentage was 84% which was not too shabby.

A lot of pundits see AG Garland's action as a continuation of the Trump Witch Hunts. For example, Trump Associate Michael Caputo saw it this way: "If this is anything like the [Robert] Mueller investigation, the American people are in for a two-act comedy

Every time someone says the noose is getting tighter around Donald Trump, we find out there is nothing to it at all. This will not be the first time that an investigation came up empty-handed," Caputo predicted.

Trump also promised in a Truth Social post that he would make a further statement on "the never ending Witch Hunt" at Mar-a-Lago later on Friday evening. Still, beyond the president's bluster, his troubles appear to be deepening. Smith, a prosecutor since 1994, has a stellar resume though he has a biased slant. Smith is unlikely to be unnerved by Trump, and the public will not see him as a fair arbiter of justice.

### **The People Have Had Enough**

Six years after the Escalator and the people have had enough! The hateful impeachments of Donald Trump began long before he was elected. The hard left wanted him gone from the beginning and were prepared to do so at all costs. Trump hammered back at the political establishment & they still hate him for his success. The people are quite sick of the hate.

Even Democrats are sick of the hate but they can't seem to help adding a little hate to the Trump mix. James D. Veltmeyer, an MD from LaJolla, California nailed it: "The savagery, frenzy, and outright hysteria displayed by the President's enemies within the Democratic Party, the media, and various power centers of the globalist elites, have no prior precedent." The Merrick Garland piling on extending the six year Witch Hunt is not needed for sure.

Besides contrasting the scenario with Governor Ron DeSantis, this book pits the liberal progressive perspective which is hardly positive or quite negative so to speak, against the conservative point of view in a battle royale worth your reading. Some might notice that Lets Go Publish! the publishing company, is headed by conservative Brian



Kelly so the author has a conservative perspective as does Donald Trump, as does Ron DeSantis. Also shown is a bit of the liberal / progressive's take on the matter at hand.

The fact is that Donald Trump got elected in 2020 because the majority of the voters had begun to no longer trust Democrats or Republicans. Many of the regular people in America decided that they could trust Trump and in fact, they continued to trust him to do what was best for America. Trump so far has not let those people down. The left cannot stand that fact. There of course remains the fact that the Supreme Court would not take the cases brought against those who the former president referred to as election stealers even though it clearly was their job.

Americans quickly had gotten sick of the elected officials at all levels of government doing the bidding of slimy politicians or political donors and hacks in the various government swamps. Donald Trump came across in 2016 and for many in 2020 also as the only candidate for president who offered Americans a breath of fresh air from the stodgy, bossy, establishment elites in both major parties. That's why I voted for Trump twice.

He was brave enough to defy the status quo of rich donors controlling the government for their personal benefit. Trump is rich enough thanks to his father's and his own cunning business sense that he alone of all candidates did not have to suck up to the seedy side of life just to get elected.

Everybody has an opinion but too many people have their opinion shaped by crooked politicians and a crooked news media. The Crooked News Network, CNN tops the untrustworthy media scoundrel list. So many of my good friends who are otherwise smart people believe CNN like it is Christ's gospel. I mean even good people that cannot see their own faults because CNN tells them how it is to follow their leaders.

Too many people for example get all their news from crooked CNN. Yet it is now fact that at 9:00AM daily, CNN executives get their marching orders from the president of this network news

organization. More or less, they are told to avoid being fired, they must continually strengthen all aspects of the political (no facts needed) effort to disparage to the death, President Trump. That must be their focus above the people's news—or they better read the WANT Ads. .

Trump in his winning 2016 election campaign held rallies of from 20,000 to 50,000 to sometimes 100,000 people who believed that Donald J. Trump loves America and American traditional values. Look at the goodness that he instilled into his own children. He is not a liberal fool or a progressive socialist tool who hates America. He is simply for America and Americans first. So are many of you and I if we really think about it, it's the way it ought to be Ron DeSantis also has a similar pure heart that many of us find in Donald Trump.

The corrupt anti-American mainstream press has recently merged with the corrupt Democrat Party. Together they regurgitate the most obnoxious collection of hate known since the Civil War. So, now together, they hate Trump because he represents normal Americans and not the fringe actors who have together decided to unseat him as president and many still would prefer to crown Hillary for the job even in preference to President Biden. This pond scum had no rallies like Trump because there would be few attendees.

Moreover, the stench of their corruption would be too strong for normal breathing assistance devices. Americans who love America could not endure the mephitic. Nefarious shameful left-leaning political leaders preach that Trump is bad, bad, bad. Good people are swayed by the miscreants who care little for the truth. Trump calls them all out as the fakes they are.

They hate him because he is not controlled by anyone—Dem Party or wimpy swamp-rat-dwelling Republicans. Neither give Trump an inch and they undermined America for years by undermining our president. When America is gone, then what?

The prior opponent of Donald J. Trump in the 2016 election for president was none other than the inglorious Hillary Rodham Clinton. In a national presidential debate, she had vowed to accept the results of a fair and honest American election even if she were to lose. Unfortunately, for America she was only kidding. Since the

election, her forces have worked tirelessly with the Democrat Party and the corrupt media to muster up enough national hate to unseat the duly elected President, whose name happens to be Donald J. Trump.

Those investigating all the shams regarding the Trump election and the Deep State plot to destroy him have found that Hillary had a major role. As the primary perpetrators of the hate and the hoax, her team lied about it all. Many investigative reporters have given reports and their unified word is that Mrs. Clinton is behind mostly all of the efforts to remove Donald Trump from office. Yet, she asks her fawning media to not portray her actions as those of a sore loser. What do you think?

When Trump first ran for president, the once Secretary of State had caused four Americans with mothers and fathers back home to be killed in Benghazi and the press would not even acknowledge the story. Something was wrong, and you know what it was. Trump was ready to forgive her but she wanted Trump out.

The Democrats & mainstream press have corrupted America so that their whopper lies and their leadership on the hate parade, are often taken as truth. The country needed Donald Trump and Mike Pence to bring America back to reality and truth. That's why Trump got elected in 2016 and it is why Never-Trumpers fear correctly he again was elected in 2020 but the election was stolen as everybody with at least half a brain knows.

Good people still feel the scourge of the dishonest politicians and the biased, corrupt press. Even good Democrats, few as there may be, such as my own liberal sister-in-law, were in many ways pleased when Hillary lost. The spew that this candidate fostered was as bad as that of the "Squad" who would rather Sharia Law than our Constitution.

Each election the people over the years have decided whether a Muslim should run America or a Christian, Agnostic, or an atheist or another non-Christian. As a matter of truth, Democrats have given up both God and love of country to side with the vapid scoundrels

that want to change America to become socialist and perhaps even a communist nation. Trump had promised to fight against them. That is the big reason that they hate him and why those Americans that can still think clearly loved to support President Donald Trump and we would love to support him again.

Before President Trump, the country's issues included oppressive taxation; legal and illegal immigrants stealing the best jobs; regulations choking businesses; huge debt and deficits shackling our capital resources; a government Obamacare system that added taxes and made health worse; and corporate offshoring, which created a weaker nation.

Mrs. Clinton was ready to continue this Obama program because she supported the former president's policies 100%. It did not matter to Mrs. Clinton that t Some think the people changed their mind by electing Joe Biden. Think hard about a candidate that could not find 100 people at any of his "rallies." His policies with Obama's had created the whole mess in the first place. The people clearly voted "NO." on Hillary and many think they voted No again in 2020.

# Chapter 11 Growing Up As Donald Trump

I think overall that Donald J. Trump had it tougher than I while growing up. I had a tough time as a 21-year old, handling Army Basic Training—living in the barracks with guys cleaning floors with tooth brushes. The thoughts of years like that would have been intolerable. Army 8-weeks of basic training was more than enough discipline for me.

I would suggest that is why the President is so tough today. Adversity makes a person strong. Winning through adversity is especially heartening and can teach a person never to give up. That's the Trump I think I know. I'd love to meet him.

Despite not having a ton of money or expensive possessions, the Kellys were rich in spirit and we Kelly-boys had a great dad to emulate and a wonderful mother to adore. Not everybody has such good fortune as the Trump family or the Kelly family.

Donald Trump's dad Fred loved him for sure as did his mom, Mary. However, the young Trump's strong will, even as an adolescent, was not something, it seems, that his dad could handle well all the time. So, as a dad, Fred Trump found his relief by sending young Donald to Military School.

Fred Trump gave his son tough, strict rules to live by. My dad and most dad's also give their kids good rules or there would be no order in a family. Young Trump's rules, because he had so many more things in his life, were intended to rein in the propensity rich kids have to be excessive. Trump had to have tougher rules to follow than I had. My dad was very trusting after he laid the rules down and for the most part, the Kelly kids, including me, did not violate the rules.

I watched my older brother, 5.5 years older than me grow up in front of me and I knew what our dad felt he did wrong. I heard him complaining to our mom about my brother sometimes though I was

not supposed to be listening. Nonetheless, I learned to not do those things. I decided to follow the rules at home.

However, young Trump had so many great things “given” to him that he broke family rules and thought it was OK. He felt well assured that he had outfoxed those who were checking on such things. It was not just his dad. As a fox, young Donald believed all of his unauthorized escapades had not been discovered and never would be. But, he was wrong.

For Fred Trump, of course, finding the rascal Trump who would often disobey dad’s dictates was another matter. Young Trump, for example would often stray well off the path the rules dictated. For example, he would often violate a major rule by skipping school. Worse than that when he skipped school, often with a buddy, he would use funds that he had to take the train into Manhattan on many an afternoon. Grand Central Station was a favorite Trump target.

He would go mostly after school but also after skipping school well before he was thirteen years of age. He would go with a buddy and the two would buy things that were unavailable in the neighborhoods.

For example Trump and his buddy loved to buy stink bombs and all kinds of “nefarious” adolescent goodies in the stores of the Big Apple. He did not meet with the seedy elements of the City because he did not approve of drugs or alcohol for himself or others. His dad knew nothing about their escapades, which I would call misadventures. Like all dads for the most part, Fred Trump wanted all his children to be the best and to obey rules at all costs.

When his father found out about the unauthorized misadventures, Donald Trump had to spill all the beans and his dad found that his son had been a repeat offender on a number of rules violations.

Fred Trump was beside himself about controlling his errant son. His conclusion was that the only way he could assure that his twelve-year-old “wayward son” would grow up right was to send him off to a military school. He wanted his son to grow up to be a worthwhile human being. Neither I, nor any of my friends ever had to put up

with anything like that. Kicked out of the family and off to an out-of-town school—a military school to boot.

I graduated from St. Boniface Grade school when I was thirteen. My dad never knew what I did when he was not home but he trusted me as Fred Trump trusted his son. For several years before I was old enough to graduate, Thomas Allardyce and Tommy Mehm and a bunch of adventurous St. Boniface boys would tag along with me on a six mile bike ride to Sans Souci Park, the back way.

The hills were amazing so much that in one direction (going) or the other (coming back) we would be pushing our 26” bikes up huge back road highways. There was little traffic. I never asked my dad and he never asked me. We always went on the same day each year.

It was always March 19, a day off at St. Boniface known as Father Ward’s Feast Day—because he was named Joseph and that was St. Joseph’s day. From sixth grade to eighth, my co-conspirators and I made the best of it. My dad, I think would have approved but I never asked. I still do not know.

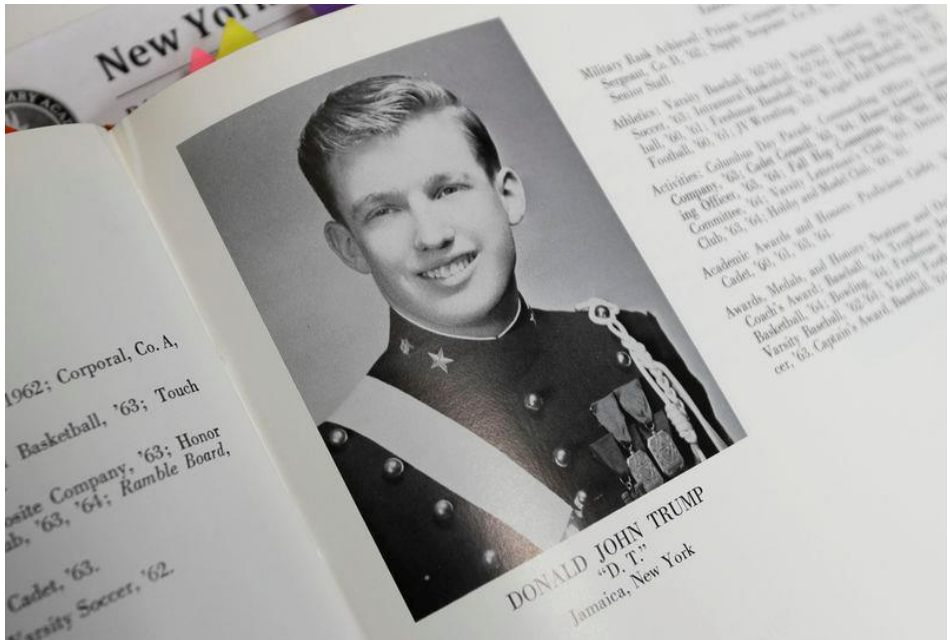
Right or wrong, Trump, the elder did not give Trump the younger the opportunity to snooker him into a less severe consequence for his mishaps. Trump the lesser could not plead his case and nobody was ready to plead it for him. So, he resigned himself to accept his medicine without even a ¼ t-spoon of sugar.

After pensive periods, though he loved his son intensely, Fred Trump decided to give up his personal preference to be in his child’s company for the probably better life outcome of choosing to send young Donald to a military school. The young Donald was unaware that his dad was feeling such consternation. After all, Trump the younger was not really such a bad-guy, though those victimized by the Manhattan Smoke Bombs would not swear to that.





## Chapter 12 Abrupt End of Trump's Early Dream Life



Military School yearbook picture of Donald J. Trump

Many, including me, think that military school in terms of a disciplinary medicine for young Donald Trump was way too-tough. At the time, Trump was just a 12-year-old kid who was not into booze or drugs or stealing. Moreover, he had none of the lifestyles associated at the time with being a reprobate. He was definitely a wise-guy and a rascal however.

Young Trump had no vote in the process and it was not democracy. Fred Trump Sr. ran the show. So, Donald had no hearing. He had to go wherever dad dictated. The dream life of a twelve-year-old in a twenty-three room mansion ended abruptly on that day, and a new, much different and more disciplined life began as Donald J. Trump turned thirteen. It was bad enough that it could make a kid want to stay twelve forever.

Most young boys who might have envied the pre thirteen year old Trump would not have taken on the misery of military school just to stay a Trump. No way!

The President as a young man had a history of being himself in a world that did not necessarily appreciate his nuances. Donald J. Trump for example left what they called an indelible impression in the prosperous Queens neighborhood where he evolved from a mischievous, incorrigible boy into a swaggering young man.

As a he grew older, he still knew who he was but he was more intentionally cautious. I suspect he was concerned that when he graduated high school, he would be signed up by his dad into the French Foreign Legion. That did not happen. Even after a stint in the Legion, Trump was always convinced that at some point, he would be joining his father in the business world. And all would be well again. That is what ultimately happened.

As he got older and matured, he held no animus for his father regarding his military school years, as he believed dad had done what dad believed was best. He remembered his father's lessons: "I learned from my father that every penny counts, because before too long your pennies turn into dollars."

Most Americans do not get the chances Donald Trump had in his life because their dads do not have the resources of Fred Trump. Fred Trump Sr. had an estimated net worth of \$250 – \$300 million at the time of his death at 93 in 1999. This wealth came from his career as a successful businessman. As a real-estate developer, he built thousands of homes and also found considerable success with his own company.

I always felt my dad was very successful also. None of us ever compared ourselves to a potential image of a Trump so it was easy to be OK in our world. My dad, for example, worked for the Stegmaier Brewery until it went out of business when he was just 57 years old. At the time, I thought he was old but he lasted quite a lot longer and the Kelly's were happy about that.

At Stegmaier, dad was well respected and one of just a few who could handle their 600 can per minute flagship canning machine. By

the time the Brewery folded, dad had “raised” us all and we all had jobs. I see my dad as having had a nice success in his business life but I know life was not easy for him in giving my siblings and I our great start in life.

The best we got from our father; was the best he could give. We had a warm home, plenty of food, and a lot of love. That's a lot. We expected nothing else and dad had nothing else to give. None of us went into business for ourselves until after our first careers were long over having worked for various small and large organizations in America.

## **None of Kelly siblings went to private schools**

Whoops, I do have a sister that got a high school scholarship to a private school because she was both smart and holy. Eventually, she came home from this boarding school before she was nineteen. I may write a book about that one day, but my dad, a religious fellow himself often said that we (our family) would all get to heaven on the coat-tails of this wonderful person, my sister, his daughter, and her sacrifices on our behalf, for God.

If I had been admitted with scholarship to a private school, our family resources were so minimal that they could not have helped me if I messed up and was disciplined. Folks like you or I would have been thrown out of any school for just one miscue in the rules. They would relieve themselves of the burden of carrying us financially.

But, because of his unique status in life, a young Trump learned to frolic, game the system, and win the day. The private grade schools did not want to lose Fred Trump's favor. Trump Sr. would never be informed so the schools made do!

For all his years, Donald's father, Fred C. Trump's successes as a real estate developer paid for the private schools, the limousines and the twelve years in the 23-room house to which Donald and his four siblings grew accustomed.

Yet, Donald J. Trump also learned that comfort and security could be fleeting if his grades or his behavior were poor. His dad was tough and not a pushover at all.

## The Military School Caper

When Donald was 13, for example, his father had enough of his shenanigans. He was not ready for tolerance. Instead he looked for a solution. When he got wind that something good could happen to both him and his son, he abruptly sent him to a military boarding school that would accept the young Trump named Donald. It did not matter what it would cost the Fred Trump family. The young Donald would have vetoed the deal but he had no say.

In his new life, instructors would strike young Donald if he misbehaved and he eventually had to accept the requirements to exist in this environment. They included daily inspections and strict curfews.

“He was essentially banished from the family home,” said his biographer, Michael D’Antonio. “He hadn’t known anything but living with his family in a luxurious setting, and all of a sudden he’s sent away. That’s a rough way to start out in life.”

“I was a wise guy, and they wanted to get me in line,” Trump explained. “Thinking back, it was a very positive influence.”

For those twelve years up to the year he became too old to play Little League Baseball, Trump definitely had it made. Military school made him change his life style.

Unlike most families in the neighborhood, the Trumps had what those living on High Street would say was a life with everything. The Trumps quietly had a cook, a chauffeur and even an intercom system.

In the early fifties, their color television, a rarity at the time, was among the Trumps’ possessions that impressed visitors and friends

the most. His massive train set was a close second. Here is a quote from his biography regarding the train:

“He had the most amazing train set,” recalled Golding, a childhood friend who became a lawyer in Portland, Ore. “He had all these special gadgets and gates and switches, more extensive than anything I’d seen. I was very envious.”

I can certainly appreciate that. As a sub-nine year old, I know that I still remember my longing to come up with the \$14.95 necessary to buy the Lionel Train Starter Set that was displayed at the American Auto Store. I never did earn enough money to buy it. But, eventually I did get my train—A Marx model. I have no idea how Donald got his Lionel set but I bet it was a special day.

When I got my train as a nine-year-old, it was such a big deal for me in my life that later I memorialized it about five years ago by writing a book about it titled: *Four Dollars & Sixty-Two Cents*. By the way this book once sold on Amazon at <https://www.amazon.com//dp/0998268348>.

Trains surely were special in my life. Finally, I found something, a love of model trains, which the president and I have in common. By the way, I revised the book after Amazon canceled my account. It is now called *The Greatest Christmas Ever* and it is available at my web site from Xlibris Publishing at [briankellyauthor.com](http://briankellyauthor.com).

## **Fred Trump wanted to be a good parent**

Most parents want their kids to grow up to be successful but perhaps just as importantly, they want their offspring to become good people. I am sure your folks did and my folks did. Well Trump's folks did also. Fred Trump and his wife Mary forbade their children from bad forms of behavior such as cursing, calling each other names and using nicknames and wearing lipstick, and there were surely a host of other prohibitions.

In his biography there is a story that Fred Trump “was really very kind of tightfisted,” said Peter Brant, a newsprint magnate who was among Donald’s closest childhood friends. “He didn’t give Donald a whole bunch of rope.”

As an example, he cites that in those years, it seemed that all youngsters yearned for the new mitts with intricate webbing that Rawlings had begun manufacturing. I knew that my dad could afford nothing at the top of the line. In fact, once my dad was assured that my jobs gave me enough money to buy a baseball mitt, that was good-enough, he too felt it was OK to not contribute to a mitt.

Not everybody’s dad would fork over what it took to get a new mitt, especially the newest and brightest. So, even though a great mitt was not essential to playing ball, Peter Brant was able to persuade his father to help pay for his \$30 glove. Nonetheless Donald Trump, whose dad could buy and sell Peter Brant’s father, could not use any argument to persuade Fred Trump to buy him one of these classic, yet expensive mitts.

It was way too expensive, Fred told Donald, though he did agree to buy him a cheaper model so that he did not have to borrow a glove from a friend. If I did not have a paper route, I would not have had a baseball glove so I can relate to the importance for the young Trump, to have a mitt good enough to do the job of playing good baseball.

## Some facts from Trump’s biographer

Michael D’Antonio was the biographer who wrote *“Never Enough: Donald Trump and the Pursuit of Success.”* His take was that Fred Trump’s decision to send his son to military school was “a very severe response to a kid who hadn’t gotten arrested and wasn’t involved in drinking and drugging. He was essentially a smart aleck.” “This was a profound rejection of Donald,” he said.

He also wrote about Donald’s reaction to military school: . “At the beginning, he didn’t like the idea of being told what to do, like make your bed, shine your shoes, brush your teeth, clean the sink, do your homework...”

His mentor at the New York Military Academy was Theodore Dobias. Dobias has offered his take recently about the young Trump and his time in the school: "We really didn't care whether he came from Rockefeller Center or whatever. He was just another name."

Dobias also noted that he could see that Trump had an innate drive for success: "He wanted to be number one. He wanted to be noticed. He wanted to be recognized. And he liked compliments."

When he caught on to how it worked, he learned how to make the best of what to him was a bad situation. Young Trump went from resentful of his surroundings to winning medals for neatness and he took great pride in his grades. Additionally, Trump distinguished himself on both the baseball and football teams.



Ladies' Man: TRUMP

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The biographers could not miss the Trump legend at the school. The word was that by his senior year, Trump became known for bringing stylish women to campus and showing them around. “They were beautiful, gorgeous women, dressed out of Saks Fifth Avenue,” recalled one of his classmates, George White.

“Ladies Man” read the caption beneath a photo in the senior yearbook of Trump. Trump always admired women. Picture shown on prior page.

Jeff Ortenau was a fellow cadet with whom Donald shared some thoughts and visions of life. Ortenau notes that by the time he hit



eighteen, Donald Trump had a “clear sense of his own destiny, a vision he shared.”

“I’m going to be very famous one day,” Donald promised.

“You know what?” Ortenau recalls telling Trump. “You’re probably going to be president.”



## Chapter 13 Military School--Trump Won by Playing by the Rules

The adolescent Trump learned to beat the game



On November 10, 2015, a lady wrote about Trump at 5:00 AM ET. Her name is Ailsa Hang. On the left is a picture of the author.

Below are a few fellows from Military School. Trump is second from left.



From the 1964 New York Military Academy Yearbook. Trump is second from the left.

*The below story is courtesy of NYMA. It is a part of NPR's series "Journey Home."* In this story, the authors go to the places presidential candidates call home and they find what those places tell us about how the candidate sees the world. Here is the story:

Donald Trump's freewheeling, off-the-cuff campaign style can sometimes make him look like he's winging it. Playing by the rules is not what the billionaire presidential candidate has ever been known for. But, there was a time when he learned that playing by the rules was more helpful than being a rascal.

There was this little-known time in his childhood — military school. Today's president learned well that playing the game meant following the rules. And Trump learned how to win at it.

### **When rules were meant to be broken**

Before military school, Trump was famous for breaking the rules. Long before buildings would be named after him, schoolmates used the Trump name as shorthand for getting into trouble.



There is only one light haired young man. Guess who?

Trump (second from left) and grade school classmate Paul Onish (second from right) got into trouble together constantly — talking out of turn during class, passing notes and throwing spitballs were often the charges against the two.

Quote below courtesy of Paul Onish

"We used to refer to our detention as a 'DT' — a 'Donny Trump' — because he got more of them than most other people in the class," said Paul Onish, one of Trump's grade school classmates.

Onish calls Trump one of his best friends at the Kew-Forest School in Forest Hills, Queens. Trump attended the school through seventh grade, and the two of them got into trouble together constantly — the already mentioned offenses of talking out of turn during class, passing notes and throwing spitballs.

Onish remembers a few stunts on the soccer field, too.

"There was even a couple of incidences during half-time when we would eat whole oranges without peeling them in front of the competition to show them how tough we really were," Onish said.

Boys are boys and young adults are still kids. FYI, Joe Grant from the King's College in my Class of 1969 always talked about being tough and engaging in tough contests. Nobody got hurt. Of the weird things Grant did was take cigarette ashes and put them in his beer when we were almost drinking age, and then he'd say, "If your tough, you'll chug it." We all chugged it but it was not good for us.

Joe was hired for a great position at Kodak. He was the smartest IT major in our class. He developed regional enteritis, I think which meant that a few "tough contests" for Joe had gone bad. Kodak pulled back his hiring offer but IBM scobbed him up. He was a smart "dude" when we did not even use the term "dude."

He's still living and still doing well. Kodak missed out on a bright young man to buoy their business.

Eating whole oranges with the peels all-on was nothing compared to engaging in a Joe Grant "tough" contest. Trump lived and so did Joe Grant. Isn't life great?

## Getting sent up the river

It was the late 1950s — and in the quiet, well-to-do community of Jamaica Estates, Queens, the nonstop antics became embarrassing for Trump's parents.

So right before eighth grade, Trump's father sent him literally up the river to New York Military Academy in the Hudson Valley. Trump would spend the next five years there.

Retired Col. Ted Dobias remembers the tall, lanky kid who showed up at his dormitory.

"I put [him] down at the end of the hall. He didn't know how to make a bed. He didn't know how to shine his shoes. He had a problem, you know, with being a cadet. You know, being a cadet, you gotta take care of yourself," Dobias said.

And Trump the cadet didn't quite know how, at first. Dobias had a reputation for being one of the school's toughest instructors. He was a hardened World War II veteran who made it clear to Trump — he didn't care who his daddy was.

"When he got out of line, he got the same treatment like everybody else. His name was Donald Trump, like Johnny Jones. It was all the same," Dobias said. "Nobody was different. We treated everyone alike."

## When following the rules becomes the Game



"He didn't know how to make a bed. He didn't know how to shine his shoes. He had a problem, you know, with being a cadet," retired Col. Ted Dobias said of Trump arriving at NYMA.

New York Military Academy, or NYMA, is tucked in a small speck of a town called Cornwall-on-Hudson. It's a short drive from West Point. Arriving here is like stepping back in time. Antique cannons squat on green fields. Buildings date back to the 1800s.

Back in Trump's day, cadets would wake up near the crack of dawn, hurry into their uniforms and march in formation to breakfast. First-year cadets had to eat their meals squared-off — lifting their forks in

a right angle path into their mouths. And after breakfast, they'd scurry back to clean their rooms for inspection. Dobias said it was a place where kids who didn't like following the rules learned to like it

"It's a hell of a thing for a kid to go to a military school — especially when you have to say, 'Yes sir,' 'No sir,' have to learn how to salute, how to do about-face, how to march, how to carry a gun," said Dobias.

But instead of recoiling from the discipline, Trump thrived under it.

In her book "The Trumps: Three Generations of Builders and a Presidential Candidate," Gwenda Blair notes how "Donald seemed to welcome being in a place with clear-cut parameters, a place where he could focus on figuring out how to come out on top and get what he wanted."

Mike Kabealo, one of Trump's roommates at NYMA, said in the confines of the school's rigid rules, Trump wanted to be a standout.

"Cocksure, positive and anything-you-can-do-I-can-do-better kind of stuff — you know, he was very competitive," Kabealo said.

And friends say Trump channeled that competitiveness into everything at military school. When he was in charge of the rifle rack, he cleaned the rifles obsessively. He was meticulous about his uniform. When it was his turn to do inspections in the barracks, he whipped other cadets into shape.





Classmate Ted Levine holds a talking Trump doll, which he sometimes squeezes for advice. It belts out Trumpisms such as "Brand yourself and toot your own horn," and "Have an ego – there's nothing wrong with ego."

"My bed wasn't really made right, and he ripped it," said Ted Levine, another student who roomed with Trump at NYMA.

Trump tore Levine's sheets off during inspections one morning. Levine's bed hadn't passed muster.

"Then I lost it. I totally lost it. So I think I hit him with a broomstick," remembered Levine. "And he came back at me — with his hands. He was bigger than me. And it took three people to get him off me."

Levine was 4 feet 11 inches tall back then. Trump was 6 feet 2 inches. In the pecking order of young boys, that size gave Trump authority. It also helped him excel in athletics. Trump became captain of the baseball team, and Dobias was his coach.

"He was very coachable," Dobias said. "If I told him, 'Do this,' he'll do it. If I told him to do it the other way, he'll do it that way. So that's what made him a good baseball player. He accepted criticism. He wanted to be best. Not better."

Trump was made a cadet captain at NYMA — one of the highest honors for graduates.

And then there were the girls. Classmates said so many girls visited Trump on Sundays.

"The type of women who were coming up to see him or he was bringing were definitely from the upper levels of New York society," said classmate George White. "I mean, I remember there were so many, it was a revolving door."

Trump was voted "Ladies' Man" in his high school (military School) senior yearbook. His friends say he cared about his hair even then—growing it to the maximum length regulations would allow, so it would look fuller. Trump had learned to beat the regulations; not just comply.

In military school, think of the tough men he learned with. Perhaps that is why he has no undue respect today for politically appointed US Generals. Think of the respect you might have. Trump knew he was president while in office He knew he was the big mahoff, and he took a back seat to nobody. I am personally pleased that Donald Trump drives from the front seat and he knows from experience how to lead.

I showed you the picture from the yearbook of the ladies man. In almost all of the tributes or negatives about Trump in Military school that picture emerges. Trump sure looks like a gentleman. Who knows? In the popularity poll picture below, of course Trump is in it. Even the men at military school respected him. The girls were always pleased to accompany him. Why would they not?

## Popularity Poll



Ladies' Man: TRUMP



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"The type of women who were coming up to see [Trump] or he was bringing were definitely from the upper levels of New York society," said classmate George White. "I mean, I remember there were so many, it was a revolving door." *Courtesy of NYMA*

## Trump comes with an Air of Superiority

I have never been the tallest or the strongest or the handsomest or the best athlete anyplace in life. But I have been close at times. In my high school, the guys that had most of those attributes often got caught up in being the strongest and the handsomest and the best athlete, and the prettiest girls fawned over them. They were cool.

Coming out of baseball practice one night, one of the guys at Meyers High who had such attributes I could only ask for a remake to get decided that he was going to show me how tough he was. Before I knew it, he was pushing me and saying things that even today I cannot remember. I got PO'd. He had angered me. He was a lot taller than me but had never exhibited animus towards me before. It really bugged me. I would have taken ten black eyes to pound him once in the face that day after he treated me so badly. I held my ground.

My dad always told me to stand my ground. I had no idea to expect an attack from a teammate. I was a catcher and he was a pitcher at the time. I would not stand for the humiliation though it was just us two. Instead of backing way, I went forward with fists up and I don't know what happened but the "fight" was over as the tough guy backed off and decided he did not want to get roughed up. He said something to end the issue and I let him go.

I did not like to fight but I was ready. A lot of guys feel the same. I suspect Trump, especially a huge Trump intimidated a lot of guys. Yet overall, they became his friends. That happens. I know. The other baseball player and I are still friends and we are both in our seventies. And coincidentally, we both are Trump supporters.

As alluring as Trump may have been to the ladies, he had a way of laughing when others spoke to and with him that used to get on some of the guys' nerves.

"It made you feel like he was separating himself from you. It made you feel like there was an air of superiority. Just enough of a signal that he was laughing at you," White said.

Who knows. Like my dad said, stand your ground and of course don't hang around with people who disrespect you or who seem to want to put you down. All a guy ever has to do in those circumstances is take their stance and the tough guys most often melt away. Any battle that is not a definite win, means their noses might be just as bloody as yours at the end and most guys are idiots who don't care about that.

I am sure there are some but I recall no instances reviewing Trump history where he bloodied anybody up but being bigger than most, his classmates, they knew that he was capable of inflicting a powerful licking on anybody who chose to take him on. Trump had learned how to be tough at an early age.

Some thought that perhaps it was that quality that made it difficult to get close to Trump. I don't know but my biggest friend in college, who got a tryout letter from the Dallas Cowboys was a gentle giant. He was one of my favorites when he passed away just a few years ago. I bet to those that Trump appeared as a gentle giant, like me and Frannie (Francis Xavier) Kurilla, they loved him. I miss Frannie today to pieces.

"I don't think he had a handful of loyalists; you know?" Levine, his former roommate, said. "Because he was so competitive that everybody who could come close to him he had to destroy."

But now, more than 50 years later, Levine says he and the other guys still kind of admire Trump. If the Trump had been giving them bloody noses during their "friendship," they'd more than likely be bragging about it today. Big guys often just know who they are and they would rather just be friends than intimidators.

To show how they were lifetime buds, today Levine's office is littered with Donald Trump knickknacks. Like a talking Trump doll that belts out Trumpisms such as "Brand yourself and toot your own horn," and "Have an ego — there's nothing wrong with ego."

John Anstett, 76 years old, lives across the street from me. He gives me Dutch Uncle talks because he is five years older. His most famous advice is when he tells me to “Shine your own light.” Thanks John. His wife Carol is the boss of their home but when the truth is all known, the historians will find that when all is said and done, John always knew that Carol was always right.

Sometimes, Levine said, he squeezes his Trump doll for advice.

"It's reinforcement — positive reinforcement of true values that are very important for businessmen," he said.

Values like winning — how to fight back and win.

Levine gave the doll another squeeze.

"Never give up," the doll squawked. "Under any circumstances, never give up."

Levine said he didn't learn that one from Trump — they both learned that one in military school.

Military school was a tough pill to swallow for Trump and a lot of the “boys.” Yet, overall, it gave Donald Trump the stamina to take any kind of crap that would ever be thrown at him.

Otherwise, the Democrat punching bag would by now be like a worn-out pounded-out pinjata. We know that a pinjata is a container often made of papier-mâché, pottery, or cloth that is decorated, and filled with small toys or candy, or both, and then broken as part of a ceremony or celebration. When the Dems pound the pinjata, they hope there are no left over parts. But, you already knew that. Trump outlasts all pain.

# Chapter 14 Plusses and Minuses About Donald Trump

The fact is the Democrats are great at propaganda. Try this on. “More than four in 10 cannot name anything positive about a potential Trump presidency.” Guess what that means that the Dems have not poisoned more than half of the well. Six in ten, that’s 60% v 40% can and do name a lot of positives about a potential Trump presidency.”

Here is an email from a friendly conservative who is a great friend

From: Mark George

This is why I voted for Trump - he is for American kids. Biden sold out NEPA all his life IMHO just like the chamber of commerce lowlifes. The Democrats destroyed NEPA and forced its children to leave for a decent job unless they kissed the butts and the rings of the local politicians.

My friend Andy from IBM thinks a lot like me.

From: Andy G

Subject: RE: The Wild Pigs Lesson

agree and one of our nation’s problems today is that too many of our congressmen and women are willing to throw out the bait for the fools that will run to get it.

Every freedom we release to the hands of government is lost forever to those who love freedom. I fear what will eventually become necessary to regain those freedoms, if it is even possible.

For the past several years from the moment of being elected, the left and those who would make the United States a socialized nation have picked on Trump from morning to night. Now we are about to enter a period that could very well spell the end of our nation as we know it.

If Biden goes after the NRA and private ownership of firearms to completely disarm the citizens, we will know just what his final agenda will be—the complete destruction of our nation as we know it.

The hired goons that infiltrated the Washington march and incited the riot will suddenly be in every state causing unrest.

I pray each night and day that I am wrong. May GOD have mercy on our nation and lead us back to HIM.

Andy

From: "Brian W. Kelly"

The left has tools to convince us that we are wrong. This is a great sounding tune-- not to be believed by those with a brain.

Not everybody fears the new America. This is proof.

I have, like you have, good friends who think differently than we do. Most of the talented musicians and artists IMHO are Democrats because they work without really having to work because they have their god-gifted ways. ( lack of capitalization of God intentional in this sentence)

I am a conservative Democrat because I hate Republican Wimps and I hate those advocating for killing the babies. If I had ten more kids it would be OK with me. But, none killed for fun. Pat, my wife might be OK for only nine more. We are happy with our God-given three.

My opinion is that many people of means do not feel the pain of most Americans and they feel they can do or say whatever they want. For example the song sung below [in the email below] is very good musically and if you don't listen to the words, it would be fine.

You might think Trump is a jerk. Maybe he is but his policies surely made him a great president. The musical link basically says F Trump! Then it says F Trump and then it keeps saying it. You see, I don't feel that way.

I think a man (TRUMP) who took no salary for four years, who took nothing from Americans, can't be that bad -- certainly not bad enough to risk our Constitutional Republic by damning him to a second impeachment. But I am me and I have friends who do not think things like I do. I hope they like me for what they know of me and yet I know some may not like me anymore because I do not think like them.

Nonetheless I still love them and I forgive them for how they think... I wish in their minds they forgave me. Not everything in life is



Trump but he represented something good for a lot of us. After this long, I am rambling—sorry

This is a great sounding tune. [the link was originally attached to an email note] It was and still is intended to get the stupid dupes out there to think that if somebody writes a negative song about Trump it will make the people think as they do. But, the people are smarter. We can enjoy the music and not the theme.

Why can't we just really just love each other as we would if the media did not pit us against each other every day. .  
Enjoy the music here. I received it and listened to it. I know it will not affect your psyche. You are solid Americans. I wish America well.

I wonder who the "singers" are!

If you're curious, here is the you tube link:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IZDYhQ4UAnA>

If DeSantis were the nominee, this song would be slanted about him. It's not Trump, it is about those who do not think like liberal progressive Marxist Democrats. DeSantis or Trump – Sam Ting!

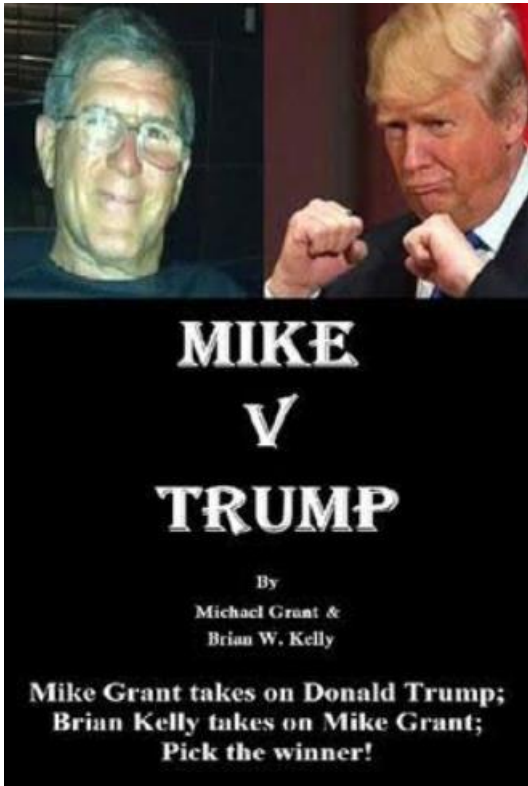


# Chapter 15 The Positive Side of Trump

About a year ago, a friend of mine Mike Grant and I decided to write a book about Donald Trump. He had a negative opinion and I had a positive opinion so we gave it a go. I will be going over this in the next several chapters of this Trump v DeSantis book so hang on. Don't get mad at Mike or me, please!

By Michael Grant

Mike may have given this chapter a different title but I did not find it. I figured this was what it was all about and so I made up this chapter title to begin Mike's part of the book



This is the intro to the email that Mike Grant sent me about this, his first writing installment about “Bad Trump,” which followed his intro as follows: .

Alright, Brian. I'm going to do this in chapters, because it keeps me focused and on topic. Feel free to use my words to rebut or make your own point, but wait for the entire submittal to argue your point with me.

What are Trump's Assets?

First, in being objective, I'd like to point out his assets (personal not monetary).

1-For a 75 year old man he has an incredible amount of energy (hell , maybe for a thirty year old).

2-He is a very effective speaker even though his vocabulary is limited. I'll acknowledge that he may dumb it down for his non-institutional base.

3-He is and has been a very wealthy man; he is much more cash rich since 2016 regardless of what he's done with his salary as president.

4-He uses the bully pulpit effectively to run over his opposition.

5-He is always well dressed. This is not to be underrated. He looks good in a suit. I once had a president, to whom I reported, of a company, who was awkward. In a meeting with a customer regarding a very large project, he asked me what he could do to help. I told him to just be presidential. Incidentally, he couldn't pull it off.

6-Trump always acts like he's the smartest guy in the room (which he rarely is even when he's alone). This adds to his bombastic appeal. That's the sum total.

## **The Positive Side of Donald J Trump**

By Brian W. Kelly

On the very same day that Michael Grant agreed to the Battle of the Trump, he supplied the above first installment. Then I knew that we would have a book to present as Mike is an honest man and I knew it would be a challenge for me to discuss in a positive vein.

From our conversations and emails over the last few years, I might say that I was surprised that he found six positive points. I think however, this may be all the good Mike sees. I told him that it was OK that he did not offer citations and proof that his statements are fact so don't look at his comments in that light. They are the facts as he has observed and as he remembers. Mike is not a charlatan and he is a truthful person as he sees it and as I see it.

I have what is a good habit of doing research when I am not sure of facts or when I think it might help to find more information about a topic, or sometimes when I am tired and not thinking well. In the research I did about Trump positives I learned that Donald Trump is the first person elected president without ever having served

previously in any public office; excluding George Washington, and professional soldiers Ulysses Grant and Dwight Eisenhower.

I knew that Trump was not a politician but I did not know the other notables. Trump is also the wealthiest president in history, after adjusting for inflation. So, I suggest anybody with that much wealth cannot be as dumb as the dummies in the media would suggest.

As president, though he was not exercising his investments during the presidency, his net worth is said to exceed 2 billion dollars. Some suggest it is much larger and President Trump is one of them.

With a wink and a nod, the former President might suggest a higher starting point but I don't wish to argue the point. One thing we all will have noticed after four years of Trump-- his behavior is very different from that of conventional politicians. He is smooth when he wants to be such as at his rallies but he calls it like he sees it which for a politician is very refreshing.

Some would say there is nothing smooth about the former president. Various topics that the press often says contradicts what he said previously. His statements often contain factual errors.

I would like to see the factual mis-statements before I agree to that point. I will agree that he is the most demeaned and besmirched president ever by the press and he is as tough as his supporters want him to be when he defends himself. I don't know I would be as cool for all the lies and utter hell he has received.

Trump is not interested in wasting American lives on wars that get us no-place. He has made some very good moves in these very important areas. For example, he is reducing our troop levels and insists that the generals really need the deployments that he leaves behind in the hot areas. He recently withdrew US troops from Syria. There are those who have condemned him for this. Even the NY Times called it "alarming"

President Trump negotiated the relaxation of dangerous tensions with North Korea, at a time when many Americans feared we would

be attacked or that the dictator would begin a nuclear war. He did such an effective job Americans forgot about Korea as a problem. Trump sees China for what it is. He saw the huge trade imbalance with China and addressed it in an effective way with sanctions. He is pressuring China into importing more American goods, with only limited success so far.

Trump built 400 miles of effective border wall. We can discuss the 2 major reasons for limiting immigration. One is that by bringing in large numbers of people from poor countries, who are willing to work very hard for very little pay, we are forcing many millions of poor American to accept the same conditions, or be unemployed. The other is that our population is already too large for the environment, and is continuing to grow rapidly due to immigration. In the last 50 or so years, for example, the population of the US has increased from about 125 million to over 325 million. Trump's America-First policies helped make America great again.

My perspective is that the principal supporters of open borders are the owners of large businesses, who profit from cheap labor.

Most people are not as nice as Mike Grant and refuse to find any positive attributes or positive accomplishments even though there are many. There is little recognition of the good that Trump has done, though truth-telling historians will report it as a positive legacy nonetheless.

Institutionalists, members of the Democrat party, members of the real deep state, and many others including China, will be wiping their brows at the survival of the legal system, although they will see it as besmirched. They will appear proud of the strength shown by certain governors, district attorneys and other biased officials who survived somebody they think is America's worst president. But, unlike Mike Grant, they can't tell any of us why.

Then again there are other Americans who see things more clearly. Many, like me want to sincerely thank President Donald Trump for his tireless efforts to make this a better country. Few presidents have been able to accomplish what Trump has in four short years. He is one of few presidents to not burden the treasury with his salary. He

took no salary. He put his money some might say, where his mouth is.

Trump is clearly one of a kind. We could use a lot more of him and his outstanding leadership in the world of today. Unfortunately, the Democratic socialism movement in this country, the Chinese communists and, particularly, the left-wing media have merged to push him out. Millions of citizens still do not know about the scores of major Trump achievements because the media won't tell them or won't admit the achievements even occurred.

An honest look at the time the president served will show that he has labored under continuous opposing forces trying to illegitimately oust him from office by hook or by crook with false charges and made-up stories about his decisions and behaviors. Trump held his own and did not relent though at times it seemed everybody in the world was out to get him to serve their own selfish needs.

Despite what many did to him, He kept fighting to do what is right for this country and to fulfill his promise to achieve the agenda he agreed to pursue before his election. An honest look would show that he has had a remarkably successful run. Thank you President Trump.

I trust that Ron DeSantis would do well as President but Trump did so well, I doubt if even a great statesman and human being like DeSantis could outclass him.

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# Chapter 16 Whence Came Trump

By Michael Grant

You may think Donald Trump woke up one day in 2012 and decided to make a run at the presidency in 2016. There is considerable evidence that he contemplated the move even long before that.

Jim Baker's biography, "The Man That Ran Washington" cited a phone call that he received, while he was running George H. W. Bush's campaign in 1988, from Trump. Trump maintained that Dan Quayle, the VP candidate was a lightweight and much too conservative (an acolyte of Dick Cheney and Donald Rumsfeld). Baker dismissed the thought.

A similar call was fielded again in 1992, when Bush was thinking of dumping Quayle....again, dismissed.

Trump at this time was being "advised" by Roger Ailes, Roger Stone and Steve Bannon (now, there's a trifecta of scoundrels).

So, how do we get from there to him being elected in 2016 and how does anything explain his virulent popularity with essentially half of the voting populous?

[FYI DUBYA is Dubya - folksy Texan pronunciation of his middle initial W.]

Let's start with Katherine Harris, in 2000 the Attorney General of Florida, who found enough hanging chads to complicate the George Dubya Bush-Al Gore election, delaying the decision for a month and eventually throwing the decision to the Supreme Court. Gore conceded for the good of the country. There were no seething repercussions.

However, the people were watching!

Dubya's presidency was an unmitigated disaster:

1-His VP was Cheney and his Secretary of State was Rumsfeld, neither of which ever turned down a righteous war.

2-9/11 and Saddam's penchant for bombast gave them the opportunity to convince Dubya to reinvade Iraq and complete the removal of Saddam based on the false claim [learned later] that he had stockpiled WMDs.

3-There was no coalition this time. So we mired ourselves in an expensive war, weakening the economy and changing the balance of power in the Middle East.

4-Thus, Iran and ISIS.

5-Dubya compounded this at home by deregulation of banking standards, leading to companies like Country Wide and the bursting of the housing bubble in 2007/2008.

This all culminated in the 2008 election of Obama, a freshman Senator from Illinois, running against a weak Republican candidate. Now, Obama was dealt a bad hand and his inexperienced administration made it worse for a while. However, the economy started back, getting him another 4 years when John McCain unbelievably chose as his running mate a complete idiot in Sarah Palin.

The backlash was a move from the previously unheard minions, who wanted a change from the same old same old politicians.

Were they wrong? I think not.

We did the same in going Reagan in 1980.

Why not?

Well, we chose the wrong guy!

**Whence Came Trump?  
Are all Republicans Bad?**

By Brian W. Kelly

Mike Grant's perspective from above when referenced will be partially repeated below in italics. Brian Kelly's rebuttal will be indented.

You may think Donald Trump woke up one day in 2012 ...

### **Comments from Brian:**

How do we get there? Time goes by and Donald J. Trump decided that 2016 was his time. Mike so what! Who cares? Trump had been toying around with being President for a long time. A lot of people in office today thought about it at times before they made the big move. I ran for office and was on the ballot twice. One time I ran as a write-in without much luck.

I toyed around with running for the House (Congress) and also running for Mayor of Wilkes-Barre. I finally ran for Congress in 2010 and without taking a dime in contributions, I got 17% of the vote. It cost me about \$3,000 for yard signs and brochures etc. It was enough for me to know running for major office was almost too costly for my blood. I had thought about running for some office for a long time.

When I graduated from College in 1969, I thought about running for Mayor of Wilkes-Barre. But, I had no compelling reason until 2015 when Wilkes-Barre murders were out of control. With the help of Mark George, a retired state police undercover agent, I put together a program to help Wilkes-Barre become a safe city, a clean city, and an affordable city/ I put together a great plan which included Mark George as my Police Commissioner.

I thought I had a chance. I took donations and got about \$3000. It cost me another \$4,000 and I determined that though I was willing to serve in the future, I could not afford it nor could I stomach sucking up to the partisan politicians in charge of the party. I retired my formal campaign plans after the WB Mayoral election but if somebody wants to support me for a write-in candidacy without unnatural work and unnatural expenses, look me up, I just might agree.

In other words, Mike I get it. Trump was thinking he had political aspirations like I did long before he actually ran. So what?

[FYI DUBYA is Dubya - folksy Texan pronunciation of George W. Bush's middle initial W.]

Let's start with Katherine Harris, in 2000 the Attorney General of Florida...

Mike from Brian-- just for the record Gore tells the story that he had telephoned Bush to offer his congratulations and he told him he was going to concede but he did not concede. In fact he took the recount to Florida where the vote was close and after he had lost Florida in a Supreme Court Decision (no higher court to appeal) , he threw in the towel. He kept us all waiting for over a month after the election just like Trump until he was sure he had lost. "I promised that I wouldn't call him back this time"

He signaled the end of the fight by calling Bush an unprecedented third time--this time to congratulate him a second time. Gore said, referring to the moment on election night when he had called Bush to tell him he was going to concede, then called back a half hour later to retract that concession.

**However, the people were watching!  
Dubya's presidency was an unmitigated disaster:**

Mike, from Brian—This book is about Trump so name calling about Bush is a good slam v Republicans but so what? Is the point that All Republicans, not just Trump are bad! bad! bad! Is that it Mike or Haina? So, not only do you not like Trump, your disdain goes all the way to the Republican Party and Republicans and conservatives as seen by your next set of paragraphs. That's OK, we all make choices, I just wanted to clarify.

Is it that since Bush is bad, Trump is bad?

Back to the Mike Grant points: If I am not fair tell me!

If Bush is Bad and Trump therefore is bad is DeSantis therefore bad.

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3-There was no coalition this time. So we mired ourselves in an expensive war, weakening the economy and changing the balance of power in the middle east.

**Mike, from Brian--**

**From Encyclopedia Britannica**

Gulf War, (2003–11), conflict in Iraq that consisted of two phases. The first of these was a brief, conventionally fought war in March–April 2003, in which a combined force of troops from the United States and Great Britain (with smaller contingents from several other countries) invaded Iraq and rapidly defeated Iraqi military and paramilitary forces.

It was followed by a longer second phase in which a U.S.-led occupation of Iraq was opposed by an insurgency. After violence began to decline in 2007, the United States gradually reduced its military presence in Iraq, formally completing its withdrawal in December 2011.

Ṣaddām Ḥusayn, al-Tikrītī, was president of Iraq from 1979–2003. His brutal rule was marked by costly and unsuccessful wars against neighboring countries. Mike you are right that in 2002 the new U.S. president, George W. Bush, argued that the vulnerability of the United States following the September 11 attacks of 2001, combined with Iraq's alleged continued possession and manufacture of weapons of mass destruction and its support for terrorist groups—which, according to the Bush administration, included al-Qaeda, the perpetrators of the September 11 attacks—made disarming Iraq a renewed priority.

UN Security Council Resolution 1441, passed on November 8, 2002, demanded that Iraq readmit inspectors and that it comply with all previous UN resolutions. Iraq appeared to comply with the resolution, but in early 2003 President Bush and British Prime

Minister Tony Blair declared that Iraq was actually continuing to hinder UN inspections and that it still retained proscribed weapons.

A preponderance of Democratic Senators voted for the second war in Iraq despite later misgivings:

There were a ton of Democratic Senators who voted YEA on October 2002 including the following:

Baucus (D-MT), Yea

Bayh (D-IN), Yea

Biden (D-DE), Yea That's President Biden

Breaux (D-LA), Yea

Etc.

4-Thus, Iran and ISIS.

5-Dubya compounded this at home...

Mike, from Brian. Not completely true Mike, the housing bubble had mostly long standing Democrat fingerprints.

### **The Subprime Mortgage Crisis**

Hedge funds, (which are creating a problem today because President Obama when elected did not solve the problem then and it is back) banks, and insurance companies were the direct causes of what was termed the subprime mortgage crisis. From history we know that hedge funds and banks created mortgage-backed securities—sometimes with no real value. Insurance companies then covered them with tricky credit default swaps.

The demand for mortgages led to an asset bubble in housing. People can recall that as the value of housing increased institutions were happy to loan more than 100% of the value of homes to people who could not afford it (thanks to a law changed in the Clinton Administration). The people noticed that many were buying a home, selling it and making money.

The popular joke was that with a mortgage that was often not paid back, the buyers would get not only a house they could not afford but it also came with a brand new Lexus already parked in the garage.

When the Fed raised the federal funds rate, it sent adjustable mortgage interest rates through the roof. And with that, home prices tanked and borrowers defaulted. Derivatives spread the risk into every corner of the globe. That in a nutshell caused the 2007 banking crisis, the subsequent 2008 financial crisis and the Great Recession. It was definitely the worst recession since the Great Depression.

So, did Bush do this. Actually no but he presided over it. It was done in prior administrations such as Clinton's as you will soon see. Technically other than appointing the Fed Chair Bush had clean hands. It was the Fed that began to raise interest rates unexpectedly.

Those stuck with adjustable-rate mortgages couldn't make these higher mortgage payments. Demand for houses fell and they could no longer sell their homes for a profit as housing prices dropped substantially. When they couldn't sell their homes or make their mortgage payments, they took their "free" Lexus out of the garage and defaulted.

No one could price, or sell, the now-worthless securities. It was a real crisis. The American International Group (AIG) almost went bankrupt trying to cover the insurance they had foolishly granted people who had no financial means to pay it back. For years, by flipping home after home with higher and higher prices, borrowers made money. The party was over when the banks came collecting.

My cousin was a banker, the #2 banker at First Eastern in NEPA. He told me that Bill Clinton's law sicced the Feds on any bank that refused to loan to a minority who could not pay the mortgage back.

They would punish banks by not letting them add branches or expand in other ways such as merge and so the banks gave in and began to give mortgages to people they knew could not afford the payments. So, the subprime mortgage crisis was also caused by this deregulation. For example in 1999, the banks were permitted to take risky loans like hedge funds. They were also permitted to invest depositors' funds in outside hedge funds.

That's what caused the Savings and Loan Crisis in 1989 that was bailed out by taxpayer dollars. Many lenders spent millions of dollars to lobby state legislatures to relax laws to take advantage of the housing boom. . Those laws which were changed in the Clinton Administration would have protected borrowers from taking on mortgages they really couldn't afford.

In a nutshell, in summary, here is what really caused the housing crisis. Well-intentioned government programs that helped low-income households purchase houses led to widespread defaults on the subprime loans they held, sparking a major part of the financial meltdown.

For example, Lawrence Kudlow and Stephen Moore, both of whom are recognized as tops in their field with Kudlow being a CNBC analyst for years, and Moore taking guest appearances on all the financial shows.

They argue that the financial crisis and recession were caused by policies Bill Clinton implemented that were designed to stop discrimination in housing loans, known as “red-lining,” in poor areas. My first cousin a bank VP experienced the fervor in which the government moved banks to make sure everybody including those who could not afford them, were able to buy a home. In particular that the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA), originally put forth legislated in 1977 and later modified under Clinton, is to blame.

“Under Clinton’s Housing and Urban Development (HUD) secretary, Andrew Cuomo, Community Reinvestment Act regulators gave banks higher ratings for home loans made in ‘credit-deprived’ areas. Banks were effectively rewarded for throwing out sound underwriting standards and writing loans to those who were at high risk of defaulting.

What’s more, in the Clinton push to issue home loans to lower income borrowers, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac made a common practice to virtually end credit documentation, low credit scores were disregarded, and income and job history was also thrown aside.

The phrase “subprime” became commonplace. The boom eventually tragically ended when the Fed raised rates to control inflation. When



home prices fell, lower-income folks who really could not afford these mortgages under normal credit standards, suffered massive foreclosures and personal bankruptcies. That Mike, I am afraid is all she wrote. Last time I checked Bill Clinton is still a Democrat.

So Mike, next time you throw stones at a Republican such as “W,” make sure you tell the rest of the story. It isn’t pretty

### **Housing Bubble by Michael Grant continued ...**

This all culminated in the 2008 election of Obama, a freshman senator from Illinois, running against a weak Republican candidate.

[who (Obama) had voted that it was OK to kill live but botched aborted babies in Chicago when an official there.]

Now, Obama was dealt a bad hand and his inexperienced administration made it worse for a while...

[Mike, from Brian--Are you saying Palin, a duly elected US governor was a bad choice? Why? Are you smarter than Alaska’s voters? By the way since you have no facts and opinions matter, you should know that Sarah Palin has more guts than the entire Democrat Party. Include me Mike, I am a registered Democrat. Give me a reason to vote Democrat!]

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Were they wrong? I think not.

We did the same in going Reagan in 1980.

Why not?

Well, we chose the wrong guy!

Mike, from Brian: [Finally in the next chapter, the readers and I can find out what you have to say about Trump.

There was a backlash to Obama that created Trump. It was also a backlash against do-nothing swamp-rat RINOS who seem to predominate the Republican Party. Americans, who were fed up

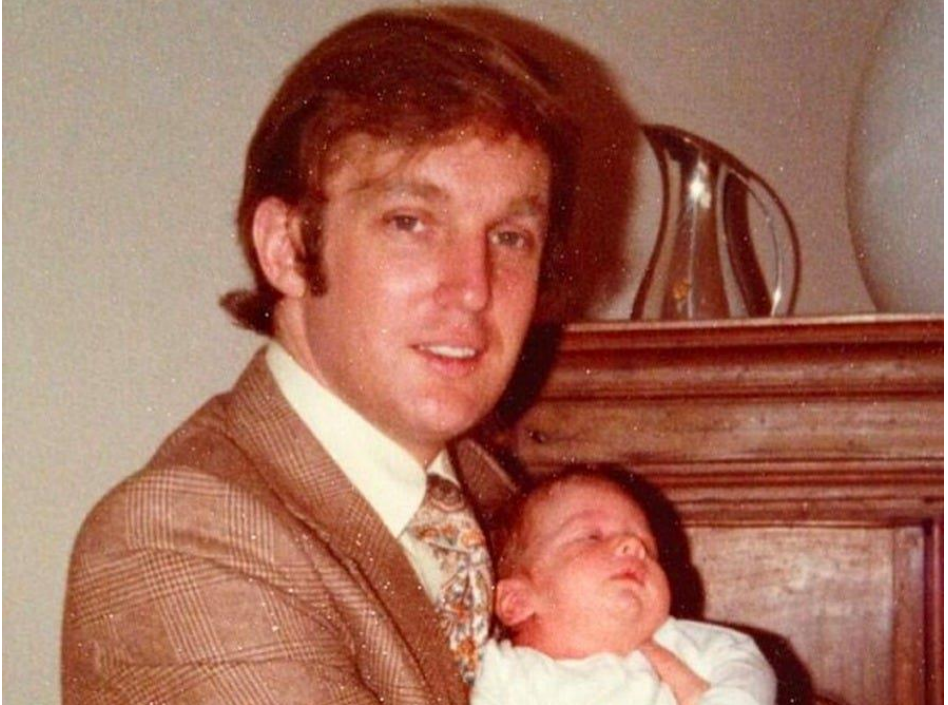
with eight years of a sluggish economy and a growing disconnect with their Republican leaders in Washington voted in 2016 to send a businessman who was a political novice--Donald Trump to the White House.

Trump's message resonated with a huge number of American voters in key states, and revealed deep anti-establishment anger and discontent for the Republican Establishment and how they lie down, surrender easily, and take it on the chin from Democrats without any fight.

The voters wanted to change America to serve the people instead of a political system with RINOS and Obama as president that was all about serving itself. They wanted a government to try to make our country strong and great instead of pandering to its own liberal interests. Trump answered all those concerns.

# Chapter 17 Deciphering Trump

By Michael Grant



Picture of Donald Trump at About 24 Years Old

## **Mike's Installment #3**

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Trump has told thousands of lies in his lifetime, but the one that has made it impossible to walk away gracefully (not his strong suit) is his continued insistence that he won the 2020 election. The inane part is how many people believe the conspiracy theorists on social media that agree.

Let's get something straight immediately.....the 2020 election, watched at the polls, and assiduously watched by representatives of

both parties in every state was the most transparent election in history.

The last 4 years came close to destroying democracy in our country. One cannot understand this man without some definition of him. First one needs some definition of the writer....me.

I would define myself as closer to a Libertarian than anything else.

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I'm a fiscal conservative; I wish there was a balanced budget law at every level of government with a flat tax and no loop holes to pay for it.

Most importantly, I believe that after a certain number of lies, I stop believing the liar. I stopped believing Donald Trump in 1969, when I saw him up close and in action for the first time.

I was a 21 year old Dow Chemical Project Engineer on the night shift for the start up of Con Edison's Indian Point (near West Point on the Hudson River) nuclear power plant. It should have been a 3 day, working 12 hours on and 12 off with 80 union workers on each shift. They were making 40 hours of straight time, 20 of double time and 24 hours of triple. Needless to say, I was the lowest paid guy in the building.

At 4 o'clock in the morning the first night, a well-dressed man made a speech to the union guys suggesting that the longer the job lasted was to their benefit.

The short story is a 3 day job turned into 7 weeks, killed a million fish, and cost Con Ed 7 million dollars instead of 7 hundred thousand. The well-dressed man... Trump on assignment from his father.

So, enough about me....Who is Donald Trump?

How can we decipher how this failure of a man got nearly half the vote in our country in winning 1 election and losing another.

1-He's a con man; he has gamed this country with developer aplomb with a twist. The formula has been the same since his father anointed him heir apparent; get tax abatements, borrow money, build, fail to pay your sub-contractors, sue for non-performance and operate while the courts figure it out. Oh, and write off the costs. How about Trump University?

2-He's a bigot (more on this later when I expose his base).

3-He's a misogynist. He's not the first presidential serial philanderer (see JFK and Bill Clinton, both of whom loved women), but he treats women like chattel.

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## Deciphering Trump – Kelly Response

By Brian Kelly

Mike's part is in italics full width. Brian's part is straight type indented three spaces.

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[Pardon me Mike.] I still love you but unless you give me a sample of Trump lies I do not accept this comment as fact just because you allege it.

Remember I suggested you take a rebuttal of my rebuttal but then we would have the never ending story. You declare me a conspiracy theorist not knowing my level of research on the "facts" you believe. They sure are the facts as enunciated by CNN.

Let's get something straight immediately.....the 2020 election...

[Mike from Brian. 100% disagreement. Present your proof as Trump's lawyers had to present it. I wrote two books about this travesty. Trump had the election stolen from him. Why do you think it was not so. I researched it and wrote two books about it – one Stolen Election



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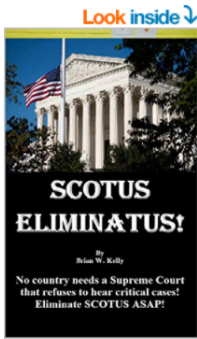
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Brian's Response to 3

Today Mike Grant is 73 years old.

Today Donald Trump is 74 years old

So, when Mike was 21, Trump was 22.

That was probably not hard to convince union guys. They have been featherbedding for all time.

How old was Mike Grant when he was so outraged by Trump that he hated him forever after with no future updates allowed – even if Trump may have changed over the years. They were about the same age at the time.

When Mike was outraged at Trump's comments at his company Dow Chemical, he was just a fledgling out of college. So was Trump. Because his father sent him on the mission, Trump was representing his dad as an important figure. They were almost the same age. Today, Mike is 73 and Trump is 74. Check me out on that. I believe Mike was incensed by this event because Trump had done something Mike thought was improper. I agree. Unions do a lot that is improper and they do a lot of good. I have to ask what Mike would have done in Trump's place? If Mike's dad had sent him on a mission, what would say "Screw you Dad, I have a better idea?" What kid does that to his father? Mike would more than likely do just what Trump did – what his father had asked.

So, enough about me....Who is Donald Trump?...

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Mike, from Brian, Have you compared Trump to other successful business men? Should a businessman always take the advantages the law provides or should he play to lose? When Fred Trump was alive, he ran the Trump businesses

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Mike, from Brian, Look up Trump's HUD record. Former HUD Secretary Ben Carson, a fine black man, a former brain surgeon who separated congenital twins in a breakthrough operation, says Trump's record shows he is not racist. I take Ben Carson's word for that. He is an honorable man

3-He's a misogynist. He's not the first presidential serial philanderer (see JFK and Bill Clinton, both of whom loved women), but he treats women like chattel.

Mike from Brian. How do you know? Come on Mike? You love women and so do I but how do we know? Why do you not hate the other two that you mention Clinton & JFK with the same passion as you dislike Trump? What did they do right? Here is a little bit from the NY Post. The American people somehow forgave Clinton and were unaware for the most part of JFK. Sex scandals are numbing and Trump benefitted from the updated perception and the Clinton defenses. Besides that, he grew up into a fine man. Try this on as a representative story and a surprise.

"The president was inside a closet just off the Oval Office with a random blond woman when his wife appeared in the hallway just outside.

“Suspicious that something was up, the wife demanded entry into his office. The Secret Service agent standing guard, however, refused, telling the missus she’d have to go around to the other door, through the office of the president’s secretary.

“Miffed, she raced down the hall.

“As soon as she was gone, the Secret Service agent burst into the office and alerted the commander-in-chief that his wife was on the way. The president quickly pulled up his pants, and the agent whisked the girl out the side door to a waiting car.

“By the time his wife made it through the other door, she found the president calmly sitting at his desk shuffling papers. She quickly left the way she’d come in and made her way back around to the first door, where she found the Secret Service agent back at his post.

“She stood and glared at me like she couldn’t believe it,” he later said.

“The year was 1922, and the president was Warren Harding. But it could have been nearly any of the men who have occupied the highest office in the land.

Nobody is perfect and some people learn later than others.

4-He’s a pathological liar.

Mike, from Brian: I heard him speak hundreds of times on TV whenever it was publicized. I bet I heard 1000 times the sentences that you heard and this statement is categorically false – No examples and if you had a few, you know that everybody makes mistakes every now and then Why not forgive a few?

“I am a gaffe machine,” Joe Biden admitted in 2018.

Throughout his 47 years in public life, our new president-elect has had a habit of letting his glib tongue run ahead of his brain. Just last week, Biden raised eyebrows with a garbled explanation of how he and his soon-to-be veep, Kamala Harris, would resolve a serious disagreement.

“I will develop some disease and say I have to resign,” he told CNN, as Harris shook her head in bewilderment. Many supporters see Biden’s verbal stumbles as endearing — but his chronic case of foot-in-mouth often reveals his ornery side.

Take the incident last December when Biden exploded at an Iowa Democrat who challenged him with some impertinent questions.

“You’re a damn liar, man,” Biden sputtered in an eruption of insults. Later, one reporter chided him for the flare-up. “You talk about needing to restore civility,” she began. “It’s not civil to call someone who lied a liar?” Biden bristled in response.

Mike Just sayin. You forgive Biden and yet, you damn Trump. What’s that hate all about Mike?

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Mike, from Brian, The words, “We are going to march on the capitol” were not spoken by Trump even though Fake News says so, Here are the true words as spoken: "We’re going to walk down to the Capitol, and we’re going to cheer on our brave senators, and congressmen and women,"

By the way, the phrase a bully is always a coward is a proverb that seeks to take away the power of bullies. It does this by saying that they are not brave. Therefore, bullies are weak themselves. I agree but Trump is no bully per se. But he does know how to stand his ground.

Mike, Pence screwed up big time, He let the country down by not sending the delegates back home as the states had requested. for reconfirmation. I do not know why you think conservatives should have cheered him on for knifing Trump in the back.

From Brian: On January 5, long before Pence made up his mind what to do, he was beseeched by scores of state lawmakers from the battleground states of Arizona, Georgia, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin. Did you know that Mike? It was not just Trump asking Pence to do the right thing.

The lawmakers signed a letter asking Vice President Mike Pence to delay the congressional acceptance of Electoral College votes for at least 10 days after January 6. The state legislators asserted that they needed the extra time to review "an unprecedented and admitted defiance of state law and procedural irregularities raising questions about the validity of hundreds of thousands of ballots," which could necessitate that they decertify their states' current slates of presidential electors.

Why would Pence have ignored this letter. Why did the mainstream media not publicize it? You and I know what Mike, The fix was in.

A new summary of election irregularities, titled "Bought and Sold for Big Tech Gold: How an Unprecedented Private-Public Partnership Subverted the 2020 Election," was sent separately to Members of Congress by Phill Kline, director of Got Freedom?, a 501(c)4 nonprofit focused on election integrity.

Further information about the evidence contained in that document can be found at: <https://got-freedom.org/evidence/>. Why not take this link Mike for more information. The election was stolen and those who give the case some time, know that. You too would be upset.

Mike, besides, nobody was asking Pence to overturn the election. He did not do America a favor IMHO.

"These elected officials are not asking Mike Pence to overturn the election results, and they're certainly not trying to subvert our democracy," said Kline. "Rather, they're simply requesting that they be allowed to perform the role required of them by the US Constitution — an opportunity that in some cases has been actively denied by their own governors."

The letter was no joke. It was signed by 88 lawmakers, with more signing on by the hour, and similar letters have been signed by other legislators in the swing states, bringing the total to well over 100 total signatories.

The letter acknowledges that January 6 is the date established by federal law for Congress to accept and count Electoral College votes, an even higher authority — the U.S. Constitution — supersedes this deadline because it assigns ultimate authority over elections to the state legislatures, many of which have not had an opportunity to convene since Election Day. So, did Pence do the right think. I sure do not think so Mike.

"We intend on fulfilling our oaths of office by properly investigating and determining whether the election should be certified, or decertified, by our respective state legislatures," the lawmakers stated.

"Additional time must be afforded for the legislatures to meet and for state legislators to fulfill their constitutional duties."

The extra time they are requesting will not interfere with the constitutionally-imposed deadline of noon on January 20, the letter points out, arguing that adherence to the Constitution should take precedence over procedural deadlines set by federal law.

"American elections must be transparent, inclusive, and produce results in which the American people have faith," the legislators remind Vice President Pence. "The 2020 election, thus far, has failed in this respect. Your actions consistent with this request can repair this failing."

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Mike from Brian: Thank you for the example this time. It would be stronger for your case than begging the argument if it were true.

However, this is a cold lie from the New York Times. I am sure you did not know it. The Grey Lady debunked it.

During a town hall on CNN on Thursday night, Joseph R. Biden Jr. revived a debunked viral falsehood about President Trump's much-criticized photo-op in Washington's Lafayette Square in June.

"A president stands out there when people are peacefully protesting in front of the White House," Mr. Biden, the Democratic presidential nominee, said. "He gets the military to go in for tear gas, move people physically, move them out of the way so he can walk across to a Protestant church and hold a Bible upside down."



President Trump holds up the Bible outside the St. John's Church in Washington in June. Credit...Doug Mills/The New York Times.

Video and photographs clearly show that the Bible wasn't upside down, as fact checkers at PolitiFact and Snopes have noted. But that hasn't stopped the claim from spreading on social media, an example of how speculation on the internet can morph into a zombie claim that refuses to die.

Many Conservative Christians including myself are being accused of hypocrisy. How can so-called "values voters" continue to stand with President Trump despite revelations that he allegedly had affairs with a porn star and a Playboy model, and paid them for their silence?

Let he without sin throw the first stone Mike. How about you? Got any big rocks to throw?

Some think that some Christian leaders have gone too far in rationalizing Trump's past personal behavior and excusing his offensive comments while in office. He never said he was perfect and his offensive remarks are in the same category as LBJ yet you do not seem to hate LBJ and I have not heard you cast aspersions on him.

Some say Donald Trump is a deeply flawed man. I don't agree with that. With all he has been given (riches galore) and all he has earned in business; he surely suffered more temptation than you and me. My father once told me he was glad he was not rich because he has a better chance of going to heaven. He cited all the temptations the rich have.

Just about everybody says Trump does have one moral quality that deserves admiration. How many times in his first two weeks has Biden violated this one. Trump keeps his promises to the people. Here are some examples of that

During the 2016 campaign, Trump pledged to defend religious liberty, stand up for unborn life and appoint conservative jurists to the Supreme Court and federal appeals courts. And he has done exactly what he promised. The abortion-rights lobby NARAL complains that Trump has been "relentless" on these fronts, declaring his administration "the worst ...that we've ever seen." That is more important to most Christian conservatives than what the president may have done with a porn actress more than 10 years ago.

7-He's only a patriot when it suits him or makes him money.

Mike, from Brian I can see you have never been to a Trump Rally or seen one. What a Patriot. It comes natural to him. Look into his eyes when he speaks. He loves America. Why does he donate his salary? Is Biden donating his. Did Clinton or Obama donate theirs. Is he in it for the money, Mike? Who would put up with what he has for money? He is the richest president ever. He does what he does because he truly loves our country. I see no sign that this is not true.

8-He cares about himself and that is the extent of it.

Mike from Brian—you are so wrong on Trump. I am sorry your hate or dislike for the man prevents you from clear vision.

One of his SOU addresses was the best speech of his presidency. In this State of the Union address, President Trump spelled out his vision for America, reaching out to both sides of the aisle to let everyone know that "America First" is not a policy of hate or exclusivity. Rather, it means that we look out for our own first, and thus are better able to help others.

Unlike some on the Left, Trump believes that our country, despite its flaws, has always been a special place and can continue to be such if we but work together for the common good. He mentioned D-Day and the moon landings and the policies that led to great prosperity for millions of Americans, arguing that these should inspire us today to work together and to put aside partisan bickering. At the same time, he warned of those who would replace our system with discredited and alien ideologies that died with the Cold War – think socialism and communism. .

A strong, prosperous America is of great benefit not only to her own citizens, but to the world as a whole. Trump illustrated this when he spoke of a renewed effort to fight HIV/AIDS and childhood cancer, efforts that would benefit every person on this planet.

So, how does this translate into what we've seen in the last 4 years?

Why I voted for Trump submitted by B. Kelly

Anticipating the big election John Montgomery sent me a note that was sent to him by Fred Anderson. It explains a lot about me and Trump supporters.

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2016 17:41:18 -0400

From: "John Montgomery">

To: <paulcat>



## HONESTLY, WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE FOR TRUMP?\*

\*A few days ago someone I don't know asked this question on ... Facebook and a mutual friend (knowing I am a Trump supporter), tagged me and asked me to answer the question. Here was my reply:\*

\*I am a Trump supporter for several reasons. I believe that our country is at a critical tipping point and we don't have another presidential term to figure this out.\*

\*Health care costs are out of control, our labor participation rate is at a 50 year low, we have no borders, jobs are leaving by the thousands, the debt service on our national debt is nearing a point we cannot pay it.\*

\*The average person hasn't had an increase in pay in 12 years. Over half the black men in our country are out of work. We are more divided than I can ever remember and I'm over 60 years old. We are at the brink of losing our country.\*

\*On top of that we spend money we don't have fighting wars we shouldn't be in, and cannot win. We pay over a hundred other countries billions of dollars a year and our military are the policemen for the world. We must fix this mess ASAP.\*

\*Now, before I give you my reasons, I need to share my perspective. I am an evangelical Christian but I don't believe it is the role of government to legislate morality. I am a service connected disabled veteran having served in the US Army as a paratrooper. \*

\*I started my second career as an auto mechanic and worked my way up to owning 12 auto repair franchises. I then sold them and began a new career in real estate, building my own company to over 150 agents.\*

\*Then in 2003 I invented a technology that put me on CNN and I began selling that software to real estate agents internationally. I've written 14 books, thousands of trade articles and have trained over 1,000,000 real estate agents in specific professional skills.\*

\*I've employed over a thousand people during that time, and until a month ago have been a registered democrat. Okay, now that you know where I'm coming from, here are my reasons:\*

\*First, his resume. Of everyone running for president, Trump is the only one who has ever employed anyone. He is the only one who has any experience in international trade. He is the only one who understands the impact of our tax laws and government regulation on companies and jobs.\*

\*Trump has made a fortune turning around failed companies. He's worked complicated deals all over the world, negotiating with governments, labor unions, and international financiers. These skills are not learned overnight and we don't have time for another life-long politician and attorney to get up to speed.\*

\*Second is his character. He is tough as nails. His children are pretty awesome. You can tell a lot about somebody by their kids. He is brutally honest as opposed to being politically correct. His employees and his ex-employees have nothing but praise for him. Even his ex-wives have nothing bad to say about him. Check it out.\*

\*Third is his success. He has built hundreds of successful businesses. One of his companies declared bankruptcy (chapter 11 or reorganization) four separate times before ultimately saving the company. All creditors were paid and jobs were saved. Bottom line is he is just a very good businessman.\*

\*Fourth is that he is a great negotiator. In fact, he wrote the book on negotiation -- The Art of the Deal, an international best-seller. If we are to save this country we need someone who can work with people of differing opinions. Congress is grid locked. We need to work new trade agreements with other nations. We need to renegotiate treaties.\*

\*Fifth, Trump is a nationalist and not a globalist. He believes that our country comes first. We need to enforce our borders and the rule of law. He believes it is not our job to defend the whole world. He believes that if we do help countries with their defense, we should be paid for it.\*

\*Sixth, he has great instincts. He predicted the rise of Osama bin Laden. He predicted a terror attack on a major US city. He opposed the war in Iraq although every other candidate but Bernie Sanders was in favor of the war. He opposed it because it would destabilize the middle east. He got out of the gaming industry before it crashed. Great instincts.\*

\*Seventh, he is a natural leader. Even those who don't like him are following his lead. He has single-handedly set the agenda for this election cycle. He is respected internationally as well as in our nation. He oozes leadership.\*

\*Eighth, he is a great communicator and persuader. He is a master at using the media to advance his narrative. He totally understands the media. He built the most successful reality show in the history of television. These are skills he will need if he is to turn this country around.

\*Ninth, I have studied him. I read his first book in 1987 and realized he was a brilliant businessman. I've watched hundreds of hours of speeches, media interviews, read thousands of articles about him, several of his books, and studied his successes and his failures. He is the real deal. I challenge anyone to study him and not support him.\*

\*Finally, I have to look at what motivates him. Most politicians are motivated by money and/or power. Trump already has both. He has a history of being a patriot, from his military high school, to now. He has a huge ego, like every other candidate running. The difference is he is honest about his.\*

\*I think he sees our nation at a critical place and he knows that he has the unique skill set to fix the problems. If he does, he will go down in history as being one of the greatest presidents ever.\*

\*If you understand him, you know that his legacy is important to him (his name on all his buildings and companies). I even believe he is funding his own campaign so he won't owe favors or loyalties to

special interests. When you evaluate his motivations you can't help but admire him.\*

\*I remembered one more reason. Everyone is about to blow a gasket over him. The establishment Republican Party hates him and has actually been actively trying to take down their own front runner. The establishment Democrat Party hates him because they know he will crush Hillary in the election, and the establishment media hates him because he totally controls the news cycle and they cannot control him. Even the donor class hates him because he cannot be bought. If all these people who I cannot stand hate him, that only makes me love him more.\*

\*You know who loves him? The regular people in this country. The ones who work their asses off every day and haven't had a pay raise in over a decade. The ones who pay the taxes and watch as their jobs get shipped overseas or across the border. The ones who see their property values going down because corrupt Big Banking blew up the housing market. The ones whose retirement is in jeopardy because social security has been raided and their 401Ks have been decimated by what many see as a corrupt Wall Street.\*

\*Think about this: We've had politicians running our country for way too many years and look at the results. Isn't it time we give a business person the opportunity to show the way a country should be run.....like a business, because that's what our country is!\*

Fred L Anderson=

# Chapter 18 The Trump Base

By Michael Grant  
Installment # 4



The Trump base is still wild about Trump

From: Michael Grant  
Date: Wed, 20 Jan 2021 19:21:09 -0600

The voter turnout for Trump in 2016 is an interesting phenomenon and a good lead-in to the things we need to work on in our country. It is also a preamble as to why the vote turned against him [Trump] in 2020.

As I stated earlier, the people (us) are fed up with the legislative branch of our government. They no longer represent their

constituents. Their number one goal is to get re-elected by whatever means possible.

Along comes Trump, running against Hilary Clinton, whom almost nobody likes. So, as in many elections, we have the lesser of 2 evils.

The analysis of Trump's base looks like this:

1-There are 40 million Republicans out there who are going to vote for the Republican candidate (in the 90's David Duke, the Grand Wizard of the KKK got nearly half the vote running for Governor of Louisiana, granted running against Eddie Edwards, a convicted felon).

2-The people of means saw Trump as a cash cow to bolster their portfolio. I have a cousin with whom I graduated from high school. We've been in contact over the years, most recently in 2019. He and his 2nd wife (more about her later) spent a week with us at our house in Pa. in July of that year.

We spent a lot of time on my front porch talking about politics. I asked him how he could possibly support this man (there was some adult beverage involved here).

He responded, "Because I feel like he doesn't have his hand in my pocket." Cuz, I got news-his policies and persona are about to have his hand in your pocket.

Let's say that's another 10 million people.

3-Now comes the difficult rest of the group. There is no doubt that systemic racism is alive and virulent in the United States. Trump tapped into this treasure trove of voters.

There is frustration in dealing with blacks, immigrants from everywhere and how we assimilate all of these people in the land of the free.

I have some memories of feelings in this regard. In 1966 as a freshman at Villanova there are two stark memories:

The first was a concert that my first wife and I attended at Penn. James Brown's concert was great, but I remember for the first time being out-numbered [in race] and I thought about how they [minorities] must feel every day.

The second was a sign over the end of one of the C shaped dorms in the Quad at Villanova, adorned by wooden steps up to the window...it said 'Black athlete entrance'.

There are some key things here that reflect on elections and polls.

Most people, like my cousin mentioned above, whose 2nd wife is black and brilliant, are not going to cop to bigotry. Thus the errors in all the polls regarding Trump. Exit or phone call polls are going to be flawed because people deny their true feelings about race.

Thus, 70million votes.

The change in 2020 is visceral. Blacks voted, Thinking, life-long Republicans decided he was who he was. Enough.

They voted for Biden or they didn't vote for Trump, but voted for down ballot Republicans.

So, where do we go from here? Today, 1/20, was a good start. Let's see if we can finally establish bipartisanship back in our government. Give Biden a chance. Goodbye, Donald.

## The Trump Base Rebuttal

By Brian W. Kelly

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[Mike, we have found a paragraph above of full agreement]

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Mike from Brian, Since I am part of the Trump base and was alive at the time, Let me say that as a Democrat for Trump I reject this thesis

2-The people of means saw Trump as a cash cow...

Mike, from Brian, I am with your cousin, why should he accept your word about Trump. Am I a "people of means", Mike? I am a Dem but they have not forced me to group think like all of them as you know.

Why should I, like cuz Tony, since Pat, my wife thinks we are not and never have been people of means. You did not even convince your cousin even though you gave it your best shot. You failed in your own family Mike but a contrite heart is always accepted. Tony & Bonita are sharp cookies.



3-Now comes the difficult rest of the group. There is no doubt that systemic racism is alive and virulent in the United States. Trump tapped into this treasure trove of voters...

Mike, from Brian—Maybe you are unaware that Trump was the first official who addressed the big problem of criminal justice reform. For years, civil rights leaders had insisted that America needs to take action to change sentencing practices that unfairly work against black offenders as compared to whites. Trump did just that with the First Step Act. The law shortened mandatory minimums and provided judges more discretion in deciding how to sentence nonviolent offenders.

And there's more. Trump has provided impressive support for Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HCBUs) — signing legislation designating \$255 million in permanent annual funding for HCBUs and other minority-serving institutions. In addition, he signed a farm bill that included more than \$100 million specifically for programs at HBCU land-grant institutions. His Housing guy (HUD) is a great black man, who says Trump is not a racist – Ben Carson.

Further, he continues working to expand school choice nationwide, which particularly benefits black families and others in lower-income neighborhoods. “School choice is the civil rights statement of the year, of the decade, and probably beyond,” Trump recently said, “because all children have to have access to quality education. ... A child’s zip code in America should never determine their future.”

So, sure, you might think Trump’s statement that he has done more for black Americans than any president since Lincoln to be an audacious statement. That’s fair enough. But take time to hear him out. Consider the facts. And you might be surprised by your own conclusions.

I have some memories of feelings in this regard. In 1966 as a freshman at Villanova there are two stark memories...

Mike, my comment about that – And, Trump is not a racist. I experienced a situation in Washington DC. I was invited to a party by a white girl who taught for IBM. I was in her class. Lots of IBMers lived in the complex. Very nice. I did not see one other white besides George Mohanco (MHS class of '65). I had a weird feeling but I learned a lot. I wanted to talk about it but they did not seem interested in the topic.

There are some key things here that reflect on elections and polls. Most people, like my cousin mentioned above, whose 2nd wife is black and brilliant, are not going to cop to bigotry.

Mike I forgot who your cousin is. What a lady. I think your cousin would not agree with you nor would this wonderful lady who I personally escorted in the MHS school tour. What a great Person. And then at the Paddock event, which I helped organize, we again were not talking about Trump but she was as great as you say!

Shame on you Mike for injecting her into this argument, regardless of your relationship . I love her and Tony, who I wish I could have pitched as good as at Meyers and St. Therese's Little League. He was a better pitcher than I could have ever hoped to be. He is also a great guy.

Mike No Bigotry – You should have been there!

Thus the errors in all the polls regarding Trump. Exit or phone call polls are going to be flawed because people deny their true feelings about race.

Thus, 70million votes.

The change in 2020 is visceral. Blacks voted, Thinking, life-long Republicans decided he was who he was. Enough. They voted for Biden or they didn't vote for Trump, but voted for down ballot republicans.

Mike, from Brian: Why did the battleground states request a ten days extension from Pence on January 5? Could it have been to make the delegates represent the candidate who really won those states? See

my book, Stolen Election. Biden is not known for helping blacks in any way. For example, his 1994 crime bill disproportionately impacted communities such as Homewood-Brushton where literally generations of fathers and mothers spent a disproportionate amount of time in jail. That's why blacks voted for Trump in 2020,t

So, where do we go from here? Today, 1/20, was a good start. Let's see if we can finally establish bipartisanship back in our government. Give Biden a chance. Goodbye, Donald.

Mike, from Brian. Two weeks into it Mike and Biden appears to be the most anti-American president ever. Bring back Obama.



# Chapter 19 Trump's Legacy



By Michael Grant

Installment # 5

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Before we examine where we go from here, it's always useful to look at where we've been. Was it a bad idea to elect an outsider to try to 'drain the swamp'? No, it needs draining. We made the mistake of choosing the wrong outsider, a man with an ego as big as the swamp, a man who does not listen to advisors and, frankly, is not very smart.

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He promised to use his art in dealing to renegotiate trade deals that are flawed. He ended up screwing our allies. His idea of deals turned out to be a tariff war which we lost; costing farmers profits that had to be subsidized.

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No sense going on—it's time to be positive and move on to what we should do and hope that a new president and the same old swamp will be educated enough to respond.

**Trump's Legacy—Response by:  
Brian W. Kelly**

Mike's installment 5 repeated below in italics for comments by BK

Installment # 5

*I'm tempted here to just say he doesn't have a legacy and call it a day....but, of course, I'm not going to do that.*

**Mike, from Brian**—I checked the Internet. I am no fan of google. Its algorithms have worked against Trump from day one. But, you had a lot of fodder to pick from as I chose to stop looking up Trump's legacy after six pages of some of the nastiest comments from historians to the mainstream media to the crooked TV media. Google kept out all positives. You're not for the Big Tech censors are you? I had nine books censored by Amazon just this year. Am I dangerous?

The first semi-positive non-liberal article I found was on Google.P 7. It was by the Washington Times. The Times wanted me to pay for their article so I can't even tell you what they may have said or whether it was positive or not. I don't pay for Newspaper articles online. You had a lot of research potential to turn all the pages of a new negative book if you chose. Google does not have much positive to say about Trump. You did not do that but instead you used your own honest negative feelings or so it seems for you to present the "Trump Legacy."

To take a look at Trump's accomplishments in office, which is not necessarily the sum total of his legacy, all one has to do is look at the first 50 plus executive actions of the Biden Administration in his first two week in office. President Biden signed a ton of executive orders, actions, and memos that did among other things, addressed the coronavirus; many dismantled many of former President Donald Trump's policies. Conservatives would look at these as part of his positive legacy.

Biden has taken many formal actions in the first days of his administration. They include halting funding for the construction of Trump's border wall, reversing Trump's travel ban targeting largely terrorist countries, imposing a mask mandate on federal property, canceling domestic oil and gas production, canceling the Keystone Pipeline, canceling the Border Wall, bringing back the Mexico City policy to pay for abortions across the world, rescinding Trump's 1776 Commission to highlight American patriotism, canceled Trump's immigration enforcement and deportations of criminals, etc. etc. etc. Some might call the Biden rescinding targets a conservative legacy.

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**Mike, from Brian**---Some of this I would agree with but we might call insiders the swamp. Trump was an outsider that amassed enough wealth as a businessman to be the richest president ever. Show me one president without a big ego. We would not want a milktoast as president even though we may now have one in office. Democrats held up his appointments and he had a hard time getting a minimal staff assembled. You know that. He had too many old swamp members left behind. Is he smart. He is a billionaire. Do you know any dumb billionaires? He graduated from the prestigious Wharton School. Trump is not dumb or stupid. The one thing he is not is stupid. He clearly understands and has made millions from marketing, messaging and branding. He is shrewd and built his businesses outfoxing many with what may very well be rude political calculations. He used a base-galvanizing political strategy not a



consensus governing political strategy. He was the commander in chief and that's that. Let me just say that I will pick this up after the rest of your installment in a summary form. .

*His first act was to by-pass the legislature and cut corporate taxes and income taxes on the already wealthy. This helped me, but it also increased the chasm between the top and the bottom (and, incidentally, added wealth to the Trump empire).*

Liberals or Part liberal/Part libertarian folks such as Mike Grant have repeatedly claimed that the Trump-Republican Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 overwhelmingly benefited “the rich.” House Speaker Nancy Pelosi dismissed any benefit to the middle class as “crumbs”, while presidential candidate Joe Biden has said that \$1.3 trillion of these tax cuts went to the top one-tenth of 1% of wage earners. Biden has said he will repeal the tax cuts even if the economy is still struggling. Nice!

Despite the claims of the Pelosi crowd, their claim that the TCJA only benefited the wealthy is not backed up by the evidence. To the contrary, the tax cuts delivered significant tax reductions for middle-class families. In fact according to IRS statistics of income data analyzed by Americans for Tax Reform, families earning between \$50,000 and \$100,000 saw their average tax liability drop by over 13% between 2017 and 2018. By comparison, those with income over \$1 million saw a far smaller tax cut averaging just 5.8%. Facts are tough to refute Mike.

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**Mike, from Brian**--It’s a half wall because Biden canceled it the first day and opened up the borders--but you know that. Should America control its borders or should we let anybody in without disease

vetting? There is a half wall left because Biden cut off construction. The media and those who love CNN have kept national coverage of the border wall deceptively superficial. The left is trying to change the US so Democrats win every election with new “citizens.” By making illegal aliens citizens (The Biden Plan) make for a quicker way to get there. Nobody can deny that a wall is a clear deterrent to illegal immigration, but it will also protect and improve the lives of millions of Americans in less than obvious ways.

Nonetheless the border wall is a net benefit. In addition to the federal government taking a strong stance to reassert the rule of law, a southern border wall would save untold lives, reduce the flow of people and drugs, and protect private property. It is a crime to enter the United States without proper documentation. But the left encourages breaking the law to gain population and the rich encourage it to stiff American workers and force Americans into poor paying jobs.

By creating an effective deterrent, a border wall minimizes the pull factor of illegal immigration. A child or family is less likely to take a perilous journey just to end up staring up at a 30-foot wall or being turned around by security personnel.

A wall reduces illegal immigration, smuggling and drug and human trafficking according to agents who know best. Even though there will be ladders and tunnels, the fact that the wall slows down violators allows Border Patrol time to arrive at the scene and increases the chance of an apprehension, while limiting the cargo that can be illegally imported. Moreover, vehicles cannot drive over the border and the environment is spared. Right now Mexico has more COVID than any other country.

Border walls protect private property. Erect a White House on the border or the Capitol on the border and you would see a huge wall because a border wall does protect private property and the people behind the wall. You may not know it but many communities are ravaged by theft and burglary.

In some locations, enterprising criminals run across the border only to grab what they can, including vehicles, and retreat to Mexico. These individuals have no plans to immigrate or even smuggle things

into the country. The wall is useful in both directions for these cases. It severely limits criminal mobility into the United States, and means they have to carry their stolen loot over a ladder on their way back, preventing automotive theft.

The Left (Liberals) has made its opposition to the border wall clear, not only through direct commentary, but by what they leave out. Clear benefits of a border wall are being ignored. If these voices prevail and border infrastructure is not adequately addressed again, the cost will be human lives, environmental damage, and loss of personal property. Does anybody care? I think Trump did and he spoke for a lot of us. .

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There are pundits who say that the new trade deals to overhaul / replace NAFTA have already been huge wins for Canada, Mexico and the US. It was a major victory instead of the typical surrender of past US trade negotiations. The new deal will help American workers and manufacturers. It's also a win for Mexico. America's deeply flawed trade arrangements had left us with massive \$500 billion trade deficits—a huge drag on the economy—and devastated forgotten communities across the land.

The deals replace the huge \$71 billion trade in goods deficit with Mexico, owing in part to much lower worker pay. This new deal will limit Mexico's ability to take U.S. manufacturing jobs by underpaying workers. Trump understood the simple math that countries with which we have trade deficits would have to come to the negotiating table.

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**Mike, Trump** did such a good job in the COVID that Biden is now trying to take credit for the great work of the Trump Administration. You know that federalism gives the states their proper share of problems and solutions,

If Trump cured cancer, he would take media flak for it. You know that. Amid criticism of his administration's response to the coronavirus pandemic, President Donald Trump cites this one action as efficient and bold and ahead of the pack—he restricted travel from China into the United States.

Trump has said he instituted a travel ban against everyone's wishes and that "nobody," not even doctors, wanted him to restrict travel. But "probably tens of thousands" of people would be dead now if he hadn't done so. Biden and Pelosi were against the travel ban and Pelosi celebrated and invited others to celebrate Chinese New Year.

At the same time, we know that President Biden when he was candidate Biden hoping to get the Democratic nomination for president, called him racist and xenophobic for restricting entry from China. The truth is the truth. Mike, you know we are a federalist country and the states have major rights

*And, people in Pa. unable to get appointments at all (I hear there's vaccines in N.J.).*

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Mike, you and I read different news accounts. The plot was from ANTIFA and BLM and was well under way when Trump told those listening to his speech to proceed peacefully. I think you know that. Check your sources. CNN is a bit biased.

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I don't like the attempt to impeach him at this point. It smacks of vindictiveness and will take up time better spent on the problems that he has left us:

Amen

*The pandemic*

*A school policy in chaos caused by de Voss [Betsy DeVoss]*

**Mike from Brian**—deVoss was pounded by the left from the moment of her appointment – not given a small chance for success because she loved America and advocated the return to the principles of the American founding and 1773 not 1619. She was thus against the progressive notion that America is responsible for all the ills of the world. She was anti-socialist and gained no favor therefore with Democrats.

She advocated a return to patriotic principles which most leftists summarily reject. As far as COVID, Betsy had it 100% right

The Washington Post never did much to favor the Trump agenda or its policies. However, it could not deny that “More and more studies show that kids are actually stoppers of the disease and they don't get it and transmit it themselves, so we should be in a posture of — the default should be getting back to school kids in person, in the classroom.” — Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, in an interview on “The Conservative Circus”

“They do say that they [children] don't transmit very easily, and a lot of people are saying they don't transmit,” he said. “They don't bring

it home with them. They don't catch it easily; they don't bring it home easily."

An Education Department spokesperson supplied four reports from around the world. Here is a summary of a few to make my point.

— American Academy of Pediatrics: Evidence suggests that children don't contract or spread the virus the way that adults do, in contrast to how they spread influenza.

— In the United States, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics, there were a total of 241,904 child coronavirus cases reported as of July 16, with children representing 8% of all cases.

So, Mike, What did Betsy DeVoss do that upset you?

A postal service, already bankrupt and further eviscerated by de Joy

Mike, from Brian -- Was deJoy responsible for trying to save the integrity of the 2020 election?

On August 18, 2020, deJoy announced that the Postal Service would suspend cost-cutting and other operational changes until after the 2020 election. ...

In September 2020, a court blocked the USPS from sending Colorado households a mailer with false and misleading information about vote-by-mail for Colorado. Mike, who is the bad guy here?

A state department uncivilized by Pompeo

Mike, from Brian--But in terms of Secretaries of State, surely you do not think the last Secretary, Hillary Clinton is a good example for a head of the State Department. Wow. Who thought so? I think nobody.

How did the Russians wind up being big donors to the "Foundation" How did Russia wind up with 20% of our Uranium deposits? I know you know that the United States Department of State is filled with smart, strong, opinionated professionals willing to sacrifice their own personal gain for the good of the nation. Secretary Pompeo has

empowered them to do their jobs effectively on behalf of the country they love – as it should be. The selective grumbling of a few should not diminish the successes of the Department, including strengthening the U.S. policy in Ukraine and everywhere around the world including N. Korea.

*No sense going on-it's time to be positive and move on to what we should do and hope that a new president and the same old swamp will be educated enough to respond.*

Mike, I'll drink to that!





# Chapter 20 Where Do We Go From Here?

By Michael Grant



Obama Welcomes Trump to the White House

The following is banter text before receiving the 6th installment

Mike said: The entire treatise is from my head and from what I remember. Where there are references, like Jim Baker's book, I cited them. The last installment is coming tonight after I get suitably lubricated. You don't need to send the interim. I trust you to be fair.  
Mike

BTW, for the most part, Mike and I, Brian, agree on what he says here in this chapter. So much so that I am not repeating some of his installment in italics as I did in other chapters and I am not picking it apart point by point with extended explanations. There are a few times as you will see in this chapter that I will interject. I also have a big conclusion after Mike's presentation but for the most part, this is original material from Michael Grant. Thanks Mike

## **6th & Final Installment by Michael Grant**

With every administration change of the 21st century has come a rush to undo what the previous administration did. The one exception was the Clinton-Bush transfer and for good reason....Clinton ended his 8 years with the only surplus in 70 years (and it was achieved 3 years in a row).

Granted, his reign was bolstered by the Dot. Com boom, but he did negotiate an across the aisle law making sure with a Republican majority in the legislative branch of our government. In my opinion, he was the best president of my lifetime (I liked Ike, but I was too young to remember).

So, where do we go from here?

We have a very divided populace. A logical question might be, can we agree on enough to get a reasonable majority on board? In every management position I've been in, I've always believed in priorities. I'm going to break this down into what Biden should push for and what he shouldn't.

Important:

### 1-The pandemic

Forget about blaming anybody. Get the vaccines out to everyone and encourage everyone to get it. If we don't conquer this, the economy will never recover. Yes, there will be a new normal, but we'll adapt. The important thing is for everyone to stay the course. Denying the reality and science is not the answer.

### 2-The economy

We can't keep throwing money at the problem, but we can't reopen until we accomplish the end of the pandemic. There will be a big price to pay, but absolving people from mortgages, rents and student loans denigrates those that have gone before and paid the price.

[Mike I think you agree that we have to be willing to admit and accept that when the pandemic is over, all aspects of lockdowns and lockdowns per se are over and people will be permitted to sit at bars with impunity.]

### 3-Justice

All those involved in insurrection, whether it be those that invaded the capitol or those that are rioting in the northwest or those looting when the opportunity presents itself have to be stepped on and hard. Those politicians that have used these times to further their own agendas need to be expelled (I realize this is never going to happen, but one can dream) [Mike, it can happen...stay the course].

### 4-Media

The media that we all listen to and watch is the cause of many of our ills. Both broadcast and social media bias are the roots of a lot of our problems. People watch and download and forward what they want to hear, not caring if there is any basis in actual reality.  
{we should teach the value of truth in the schools again.}

I, personally switch often between MSNBC, CNN, FOX, BBC and local news; they are all in alternative universes.  
I have turned off social media.

First Amendment....and people believe rights allow blogs from Qanon and people like Alex Jones and others to spew their mendacity and conspiracy theories and people believe it.  
We need TRUTH....unfortunately, we just ended 4 years with no semblance of veracity.

[Mike, I do not agree with that!]

I am forced to admit that I have no idea how to solve this problem, but I'm certain the cure is not going to come from "The Big Four", who of course are Apple, Amazon, Facebook and Google (read the book in quotation marks above by Scott Galloway).

[We solve the problem by talking truth]

These companies, all with market capitalizations at or approaching a trillion\$ stay out of each other's way and gobble up the competition.

[Split them up Even when IBM was a monopoly it was not good]

## 5-Infrastructure

Speaks for itself...put people to work fixing everything that doesn't involve a wall.

[I suspect that means you want open borders. We covered that. I do not agree]

Mike's last statement before producing the below summary.

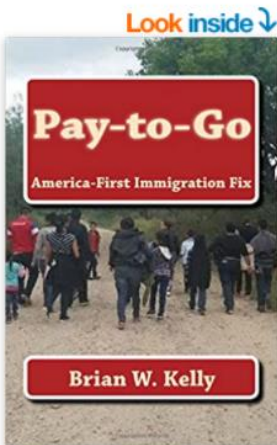
There are a lot of problems that this administration is going to attempt to tackle that it should table and think hard about.

### Mikes Points 1-Immigration

One thing is for sure. For the immigrants in this country illegally, there has to be a path to citizenship or they should be expelled. The elephant in the room is the fact that the very people who would expel them are the same people who need them to work in the fields and do the menial jobs at Mar a Lago for example that our citizens don't want to do. We need an honest immigration policy that distinguishes between people trying to better themselves by coming here and the gang members and thugs.

Again....way above my pay grade.

[I have it solved Mike because I kept at it. I have two plans about which I wrote books about See below books:]



## Pay-to-Go: America-First Immigration Fix Paperback –

October 16, 2017

by Brian W. Kelly (Author)

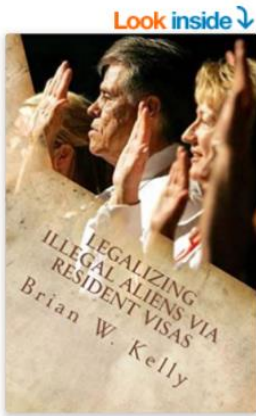
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Mike Continued

Mike's Points 2-Gun Control (a misnomer if there ever was one)

There is no reason to attempt to pass legislation to abrogate our rights to have arms. The lobby supporting the 2nd amendment is too strong (although the NRA, La Pierre and his people will likely implode over the lifestyle they enjoy at members expense)

More importantly, there's no reason to ban other weapons.

Hand guns, shot guns and rifles are indispensable to a large segment of our population. However, I believe there is no reason why anyone in our country outside of military and police should possess an assault rifle (essentially an offensive weapon).

[Mike from Brian]—I never heard of an assault rifle while serving and shooting at the military ranges across the East Coast.]

[Mike, the term assault rifle is misused to mean a rifle that does not have to be cocked (if that is the right word) for each single shot. Machine guns are assault rifles and are banned by law from being sold. For example, an AR-15, is much like an M-16 which I used in the military. I cannot tell the difference. The difference is that the

auto switch is disabled and the weapon can only fire one round per the depression of the trigger. The M16 in auto mode would fire off the whole magazine. ]

The laws in place need to be enforced. Oh, by the way, Gun Shows, the biggest source of illegal gun transfers, need to be eliminated.

[Mike I do not agree re gun shows, slippery slope. Do you trust the government? How many people from gun shows create the gun issues in the country. Not many!]

### 3-Mike's Points Health Care

In 1976 the House of Representatives took on the growing cost of health care and failed miserably and we've been failing ever since. Name me a business where you can't get an estimate of cost before the procedure.

The outcome of the 1976 effort was a system in which Doctors, Hospitals, Pharmaceutical Companies and most importantly, Insurance Companies control our medical care.

ACA is not an answer, although it solved the problem it was originally meant to solve-it kept indigent people from going to the emergency room without insurance every time a kid had the sniffles.

This is another powerful lobby. Instead of going to see Dr. Valenti on Carey Ave. to get stitches for a run in with a fire hydrant and wondering if the ash from his cigarette would fall off before he was done and being charged \$15 (or sausage and peppers at my mom's table), we now have a system in which the Dr. and the insurance company have a contracted set amount for the procedure. The Dr. charges whatever he wants, the insurance company allocates the contract amount and the Dr. writes off the difference on his taxes.

Multiply this by thousands when major procedures are involved.

Taking this on now would be a mistake and Elizabeth Warren's plan is not the answer. As my roommate for 3 years in college and 50

years at CIA constantly reminds me, “the government can’t run anything”.

This is another conundrum and I think it’s unsolvable

[Mike, I think you and I could offer solid recommendations to solve it but we need to think about it a lot and study it and come up with possibilities and then select one or two. ]

Mike’s Points 4-Our Environment

Scott Pruitt and Trump rolled back a lot of regulations that have hindered our progress towards a cleaner environment in the name of promoting business. It doesn’t matter. The right way to do things are winning anyway:

Alternative energy sources are increasing their footprint. Coal fired power plants will be gone soon. In ten years the majority of us will be driving automated electric cars. We will save the planet. Don’t fight a war that’s already won.

[Mike from Brian]-- OK but the EPA regulations had been punitive. Don’t you think that US politicians have to be the most conceited humans ever to think we in the US can solve “Global Warming.” Trump’s policies have lowered our climate footprint substantially while India and China’s grew. But nobody gives him any credit.]

Mike’s Points 5-Race

This is the toughest of all. We’re still attempting to erase years upon years of abuse. On the other side is a culture that has become a matriarchal society stuck in poverty. The statistics are startling: more than 30% of black males between 18 and 25 are incarcerated black on black crime is the major problem in large cities

Latinos are not assimilating as other immigrant groups before them

Yes, dialogue will help. I don't even pretend to have the answer. All I know is that a race war is imminent....and that will be a tragedy.

[Brian to Mike ] Mike, I wish you listened to Trump's message to blacks. They listened and that was enough. Without the cheating by the battleground states, life would be different today. BTW, the Trump folks are at the Supreme Court again in the week of 2/19/21. Besides that there are twenty other court actions in process that who knows what fruits they will bring. Check on behalf of Trump and trying to stop the steal even if too late.]

[There is one black TV personality that I never liked but I have changed my mind as I observed him on Network TV and I noticed he smiles and laughs a lot now. He totally changed his ideological perspective. Look Up Leo Terrell. I think taking things lightly even serious things helps one cope. Leo Terrell is now one of my favorite commentators and he smiles a lot more without even knowing I like him a lot. In fact, I want a LEO 2.0 hat for sure when I can find one. They apparently are going fast.]

[Here is the deal on a great black man, who I love. Fox News viewers have long known him as an ardent Democrat. He became ready several months ago to fight for the 'other' side. He was once all Democrat. However, in the past eight months, this has changed. It has changed so drastically that Leo jokingly refers to himself as "Leo 2.0." He has a baseball that is emblematic of the major change. It is a change so complete that Leo admits that he began to campaign and prepare to vote Republican in the Nov 3 election—for the first time ever. Wow, thanks Leo, I do think I love you. Shhhh!!!!]

[He made his dramatic switch as the Democratic Party got ready to hold its national convention. Leo insisted on spouting out why he'd like to explain why he left the Democratic party and why he would proudly cast his vote for President Donald Trump. ]

Here is what he said: "First let me say, I did not leave the Democrats, they left me. The party of the Civil Rights movement, the party of JFK and "Ask not what your country can do for you" has abandoned all its principles and handed the reins over to extremists."]



[Mike that is pretty bold. If I can get a second LEO 2.0 hat, would you take it as a gift?

[Why would Leo abandon the Dems? Just like me, he learned who they are. Dems are a sorry lot with no reason to smile or laugh. Show me a picture of a Dem smiling or laughing—not existing in human space.]

[I learned before him and though I am still not a Republican I think Democrats suck. Sorry about the foul language. When Democrats begin again to care about the people and care about America, they are welcome to call me and I would be pleased to call LEO 2.0 to ask him if he thinks they have really changed. Based on LEO's responses, he is unflappably pro-Trump. So am I. Where are they selling those LEO 2.0 hats.]

[Leo noted that it started at the top with the presumptive Democratic presidential nominee.]

[On May 22, 2020 in an interview with Charlamagne tha God, Biden told the God, "I tell you if you have a problem figuring out whether you're for me or Trump, then you ain't Black." In case you don't know, looking as white as the whitest white, he said I am Black, and I did not know that the color of my skin also came with a mandate that I vote for the old White guy who's been in politics for 47 years (without a discernible record of accomplishments on behalf of Black people.) Thank you LEO 2.0. Are you black, not that it matters.]

[Mike, if the media were not stoking racism as a Republican fault, we could make progress. LEO 2.0 should be a consultant to tell us how it is. It is tough doing tough work like this but you are as a person way above the paygrades trusted to solve such issues. Remember Mike, I was a sometimes been an A student. You have always been an A Student. You can do anything I think,. You are a smart SOB. Don't let them suck you in! ]

Mike's Comment: Sent from my iPhone

As it regards my message in Installment 6, what happened tonight between McConnell and Schumer and the media proves my point. McConnell takes a shot at retaining power in the Senate and Schumer disagrees and fires back. McConnell is in a bad position and gives in.

[Brian to Mike] McConnell is a slug who those smart Republicans and those Dems ready to espouse R principals will not ever get elected dog catcher in Kentucky because Big Mac, the Turtle has no loyalties, he stabbed Trump in the back with Pence's knife. It could have been anybody's knife. Trump has some real friends. I am one but I cannot help him. Those in Washington who he helped and who he trusted have let him down. You too would be shocked. When Trump disposes of them all, he will be a stronger man when he rematerializes. ]

Mike Continued: Instead of getting together and agreeing to compromise and making a joint statement, in other words working together, the story comes out in the media in different takes:

Rachel Maddow says McConnell caved.  
Fox announces McConnell's intransigence and then bails on the rest of the story.

Who wins? Nobody. Egos prevail.

Where do we go from here? Summary Response  
by Brian W. Kelly

Mike, I agree with most of what you said in this chapter. We start in different places. Maybe there is hope for us and others like us if so there may be hope for everybody in the country to go positive on the good things. This whole exercise culminating in this positive chapter helped me understand where you are coming from. I am glad we can talk.

You said that the last 4 years came close to destroying democracy in our country. One cannot understand this man without some definition of him. For me this is very troubling as I do not see that at all. You did not say Trump stole the election from Hillary. I am glad. I would bet if you read Trump's accomplishments or if you had

attended a rally or watched one or so on TV with an open mind, you might see that this President loves Democracy and he loves America. You said “First one needs some definition of the writer....me. I would define myself as closer to a Libertarian than anything else.”

I don't know how somebody who starts off with a chip against Republicans such as Reagan and Bush cannot help be influenced by what really is fake news from CNN and MSNBC and the mainstream press.

From day one, you and I know that the predominant media in the country had nothing good to say about Trump and if you listen to that drumbeat it has had to affect you in a negative way. Mike, I know you are smart and a self-thinker but the items in your installments show signs of things I have heard before on the biased networks. This chapter seemed to be almost all you. Thank you for being so positive and willing to root for America.

Maybe we can solve some things one day together but if we do I don't think it would be because you would accept me hating Biden or that I would permit you to hate Trump. There is way too much vitriol and even you, sometimes a stoic, suffer from it in excess at times or your dislike for Trump would not come so close to what I would call pure hate. I know you know that our God does not like us hating any of his creatures, human or otherwise.

Otherwise, we might as well end this productive discussion agreeing never to agree. I sure hope we started something here. I think we all need to smile and laugh a lot more and think well of the other guy even if at first they do not seem to deserve our good feelings. Heck maybe they will eventually think well of us.

I sense from what you have written that there were some times as you wrote that your heart was not as cold towards Trump as at other times. I have five liberal / progressive friends. You are one of them though you prefer the Libertarian label. Yes, from my eyes, you are one of them but you seem to care very much about America. You might even be like me, America First. I think the rest of the world

ought to be for their own countries first. And like you I think we should be for us, the US, first—not necessarily only

For example I would bet that other than the fact that it has become a despised position of liberals, the term Make America Great Again by itself does not seem like it would upset you as my four other liberal friends who march hard when CNN gives the word.

You also noted that a number of issues were above your pay grade. I think that might be because, though you are an excellent writer, you do not write as often as probably you like. I started by writing career in the 1980's by writing tech books and at that time I was teaching tech at King's also.

I was well published and I ran seminars so I wrote about what I liked which at the time was IBM technology. I gave some of my old AS/400 tech nooks a face lift and made the title match the new AS/400 name (IBM i) and they are selling well again. Writing tech let me hone my writing skills at that time. I know I am not the best but I can hum a long prose tune.

I would bet if you picked up the pen more often, you too would find that you could cover areas that you would today think are over your pay grade. I think the issues are not over your pay grade but by not writing about them, you don't think about them as problems to solve.

I suspect in your career; you were one heck of a problem solver. Me too! I used to listen to key words from client. I did not do anything but. Once I heard "but" I knew the client had screwed up the system and was about ready to tell me how—without admitting anything of course.

I carry that skill with me today thinking that I can affect things by writing. Maybe I can. Maybe I can't. I think I have the solution to how the country can afford to give seniors a make-up SSR COLA. I have a way for the government to pay off student loans with America gaining. My conservative friends do not necessarily agree with me on these even though they might be good for the country but I try anyway.

I have a way to solve the immigration crisis without forced deportations. I mentioned this in this chapter. I have other solutions to things that I could say are over my pay grade. Each version of a book I write about such topics has better arguments because nothing is above my pay grade. To conclude this point, I think nothing would be above your pay grade if you practiced more in your thinking by writing more.

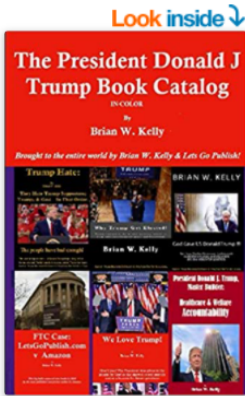
I may never convince you that Trump is good for America or that he is a good guy. I have studied him for about five or six years and he was definitely a rogue in the Marla Maples years but he was a kid also. He is strong willed as are a lot of us and he may bully people he has control over when he thinks he is right.

There are a lot of good people who think the world of him including Peter Navarro, Larry Kudlow, Mike Pompeo, Rush Limbaugh, Sean Hannity, and others. I think if you were to put your Republican shoulder chip back in its holster when you think about Trump, you might even find some positives. Try not to dislike this Trump or the next Trump who comes along too much. I think you would be a fair judge if you did not believe biased sources. No insult intended.

For now, I want to thank you for your work on this book. I do see some openings to a future agreement on things. Perhaps if I have not convinced you on some of my rebuttal claims, you might want to take the end product of this effort, and send it back to me as a completely new book as your rebuttal of my rebuttal. I would be happy to publish it with minimal to no comment. I think like you--we can trust each other to not go off the rails of decency.

You may know that I have written more than thirty Trump related books. Most of them are in a catalog. Two are not—Stolen Election and SCOTUS Eliminatus my last two. Here is a copy of the cover of my Trump Catalog. It was the first book I ordered to be printed in color:

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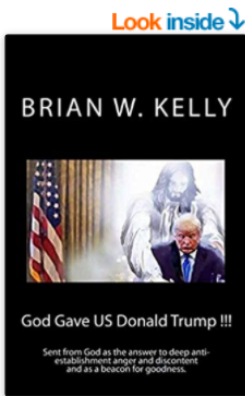
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"Millions of Americans," declared Dallas megachurch pastor Robert Jeffries in 2017, "believe the election of President Trump represented God giving us another chance—perhaps our last chance—to truly make America great again. Our job was to elect him once God showed us the way. We thank Our Lord to this day [Read more](#)

Here is an excerpt from that book in a chapter titled God Gave Us Donald Trump:

I liked Trump long before he was the President. I wrote the above book when Trump was in his second year. i

Notice that he considers the work of ministry a "higher calling" than what he was doing when he made his billions. In some ways, this

was a humbler admission than most people of wealth and affluence ever make.

Donald Trump may be shrewd but in matters regarding his faith he possesses the self-conscious candor of a man who knows he falls short but who fundamentally shares the same beliefs.

The genuineness of this connection was on full display in the acceptance speech he delivered in Cleveland where he thanked evangelicals and in a rare moment of emotional vulnerability spoke off script saying, "I don't know that I deserve it." This one moment reveals the true heart of the man.

Back in 2016, when Hillary Clinton promised four more years of Obama, I knew that I would do whatever I could to help somebody else become president. A lot of conservatives feel about Hillary Clinton the same way as a lot of Progressives feel about Trump. Donald Trump was not my favorite in the beginning, but he soon became my favorite as I learned that he would not be pushed around by anybody and his ideas are sound. I like to call my reaction to Trump as a "breath of fresh air."

If CNN is hammering you every day telling you that Trump is the devil incarnate, you won't reach the same conclusion. Turn them off. They are bad for your sense of goodness. When I finally understood Mr. Trump, it was because I had done my own thinking and had no room for the negative opinions of a corrupt press. If CNN is not corrupt, they do a great impression. They certainly produce their share of fake news.

To support him in his candidacy, in addition to sending in some checks and attending rallies, I wrote at least ten books and a number of letters to the editor in support of the Trump presidency. I gave my books away to anybody who wanted one and brought them to biker rallies such as the Bike Rally one up above Scranton, PA in Dalton to distribute.

At this rally sponsored by Chris Cox and the Bikers for Trump, I put a bunch of books out to help the cause. My most popular Trump for President book was about 240 pages and it was titled Why Trump? I also wrote a bunch of books about how I believed Trump would

govern. One of them was called Saving America The Trump Way, and a good part of the precepts defined in this book that are advocated by Trump and DeSantis are those that were implemented during the Trump Administration. No, I do not think that he read my book but heck, maybe he did.

Once Trump got elected, I knew I needed to help explain the phenomenon of his election, and I produced a book titled, “Why Trump Got Elected!” In many ways, that book is a follow-up to that popular book, Why Trump?

To show how I really felt about the Trump candidacy and to help others see things differently from what appeared to be the mainstream thought, I sent the following letter to the local paper, The Citizens' Voice. I titled it God gave us Donald Trump.

I did not treat that notion lightly. I later wrote a whole book about it, the cover of which is proudly displayed several pages above. The published essay is short, so I have included it below: :

There are many billionaires who want things their way on taxes and they figure they will benefit if their lobbyists get to the right politician. Donald Trump is actually running for office as a billionaire. He does not need a job. Yet, he is investing a lot of time in America. He does not need it. But, if he is successful, his kids will grow up in America and he wants it to be the finest country of any possible country ever. Bravo, Donald Trump.

Mr. Trump wants it to be like the America as founded by honest founders. Donald Trump is intrinsically honest. He may round up on some issues in his favor, but he is not corrupt. He wants his kids to love him and respect him just like you want your kids to think of you.

We are only on Earth for a short time. Why should we not do our best? I love that Donald Trump, a billionaire who needs me like a hole in the head, thinks I matter. He thinks you matter. He thinks America matters. He thinks God matters. He is right on all points. Unlike you and me, he has the means and the opportunity to really show God and his family what a good man he really is.

We have been waiting for you, Mr. Trump, since Ronald Reagan left us. God gave us Donald Trump.

I am convinced that it is up to us to make him our president. We did not know how bad the Bushes were until they went into their recent crying tantrum because they lost. We just know that they were not too good when they had the power.

Donald Trump is bombastic, arrogant when he knows he is right, and he is often inartful in his speech when he is upset. However, he, like my father, is a very good man. I welcome the opportunity to cast my vote for him. I thank God for the opportunity.

Brian W. Kelly, End of essay

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The people have had enough! The hateful impeachment of Donald Trump began long before he was elected. The left wants him gone, period. Trump hammers back at the political establishment & they hate him for his success. We're sick of the hate. James D. Veltmeyer, MD from LaJolla nailed it: "The

In preparation for my response to Michael Grant's book portion, I reread and scoured through one of my other recent books about the major media and Democrat hate about Trump [Trump Hate!] . I looked for an appropriate chapter to include as a wrap-up to this book.

What I found instead was one of my best written prefaces ever. It was written long before the pandemic affected us. I am including it as written back then. I think it is the perfect positive wrap up to a book that highlights both hate and goodness and Ron DeSantis and Donald Trump. Give it a read. I enjoyed rereading this preface from Trump Hate: I sure hope you do also.

Before I continue, while I examined the picture above and the Kindle version of the book on Amazon, I noticed that there were three reviews of the “Hate” book. My books normally review well. Not this one. I was disappointed. So I wanted to check out the reviews.

Then I noticed that I could filter the results by just those who had bought and read the book. There were no reviewers and no reviews because the evaluators who dinged me had not read the book. How about that?

Go see for yourself. How about that? I knew that Trump haters were special people but their loathing now causes them to look up books about Trump to ding the author on the review—regardless of the contents of the book.

But, they don’t find it cheating that they don’t read the books they review. Hah! Their review is thus fake news. How about that? I thought you would like to know. If you think about buying the book, please ignore the book reviews in which the reviewers have chosen not to read the book they claim to review. Hah! There are some creeps out there for sure.

Enjoy the preface. I must say so myself, it alone is worth a fine review. Thank you.

Preface to Trump Hate: Nov 10, 2019

Would it not be nice if we could take hate out in a field and burn it at the stake. They say that was what they did to witches. Witches are nowhere close to the scum we tolerate in America today—those that hate and hate some more hoping to unseat a duly elected president of the United States. You lived through it over the last several years and Democrats would have you go through it until the end of time.

One of the prevailing reasons given in my informal survey of Trump haters for why they hate Trump is that he is an incessant liar. I always ask for examples and their responses are always dubious. For example, they will often give me a well-debunked CNN or MSNBC. NY Times, or other lefty news organizations outright lie about how

Trump lied in a given situation. That is their proof of fact. They lie to prove Trump lies. Non Sequitur!

Because it would hurt their hate-based case, the major media rarely include in their assessment of Trump's truthfulness, the unchallenged fact that all presidents lie, because in many job situations, they must. Additionally, as we look at big liars in the White House, the most consequential presidential liar was Lyndon B. Johnson. Check him out and remember he was a big Democrat. Most Americans see the difference between an out-and-out lie and self-evident hyperbole, even though the mainstream press and Trump's political opponents refuse to acknowledge light-hearted braggadocio.

Some of the least likely news personalities that Americans are apt to believe on anything, offer the worst condemnations of Trump, the supposed prevaricator in chief. For example, MSNBC's Chris Matthews, a recognized pompous ass in most people's worlds, and recently accused of pompous paternalism. wrote about the role of falsehood in the "Age of Trump." A review of the book suggests that Matthews outdid himself by letting it all hang out. Expect no truth!

Matthews set himself up as the judge and jury of lies and fairness and declared that the president "lies the way a woodpecker attacks a tree: compulsively, insistently, instinctively." It feels, he wrote, "as if something has ripped in the fabric of reality of America at this moment." He labeled Trump a "demagogue," using the reigning cliché of the mainstream media about the president.

Chris Matthews, not a pinnacle of respect in American news-watching homes, obviously never looks in a mirror. When I hear Matthews pick on anybody it reminds me of the worst thing a kid could say years ago: "I know you are but what am I." Good night Chris.

What a shame about them and their hate, but it is true. The drive-by media are propagators of propaganda the likes I heard about when in grade school about the Soviets. Today's corrupt press does not serve America well as a reference for pointing out anything about anything. They lie continually and other news organizations then

swear to it. There is no legitimate reason for any of the hate spewed at Mr. Trump. It is a façade for their “get rid of Trump” forever narrative.” They can’t love Trump and say he needs to be ousted, so they create issues for which to hate him.

One thing they all seem to agree on is that nothing Trump can do can redeem him from his plight. Everybody in the world, alive or dead are granted the right of redemption by God except for Donald Trump. So sayeth the Democrats, the hard leftists, and the drive-by media. No forgiveness for Trump.

Do as I do instead of do as I say. You’d swear that CNN always tells the truth but it is not so. Please permit me to use CNN or the NY Times or MSNBC or any of the left-wing press singularly in the rest of this book to represent all left wing media as it will make it easier for you and I and I will thus use lots less words to cover all of the lefties. After all, it is a given that if the major left NY Times says it—lie or truth—about Trump, all the media lackies follow suit and the public is saturated.

The latest example pointed out by the late Rush Limbaugh continually on his radio show is that the people driving this impeachment notion are left-wing base voters who have been subjecting themselves to and buying 100% all of this media claptrap for over two years. From the show:

“They were told every day, “Trump’s gone.” They were told every day, “Trump colluded.” They were told every day, “Trump was a cheater.” They were told every day that Trump colluded with Putin, that Trump stole the election... that Hillary was the legitimate winner! Trump was not.” They were told every day that Trump cheated, told every day that Trump was just the worst reprobate ever.” They did not have to believe it.

Yet, they believed it—and can you blame them? I mean, their media assured them it was so and when CNN says so, it is better than E F Hutton.. So they had no problem believing CNN. I mean, they didn’t really need the media, but the media was there daily, if not hourly, for reinforcement.



Rush Limbaugh noted that this was one of the things that constantly amazed him and still amazes him. The media, aka CNN et al, that has lied to and misled its entire audience has yet to admit the truth or apologize for the lies. It has yet to ask any forgiveness, has yet to even explain it. They just move on to the next phony hoax, taking what's left of their audience with them. Limbaugh quotes accurate statistics frequently about how quickly CNN and other left wing media are losing their audience.

He then explained why they believe it all hook, line, and sinker. “But these people are unbalanced to begin with. They’re liberals. They’re not solidly put together. They’re not mentally adjusted anyway—and then you lie to them every day and you build up their expectations that what they want most in the world, Trump in jail, is only a matter of time away from happening.

And, folks, I don’t know how many of you took the time to watch all that. I did. From the New York Times, to the Washington Post, to CNN, to MSNBC, they did everything but promise that Trump was guilty. Time and again, the media was proven wrong and yet, their loyal followers who will not watch Fox, will not listen to conservatives such as Hannity and Rush himself, long to get in their easy chairs and turn the station to CNN for “the only truth.” No kidding!

When Trump came down the escalator I was not sure he was my guy but the more I saw the “We Love Obama and Hillary” networks and their writers defaming and besmirching Trump, the more I liked him and I loved his pro-people, anti-swamp message. Trump took a while to get accustomed to the debate stage but he got better and better and his message was solid: America First!. It was about time.

By the time the election period came, I knew that I was voting for Donald Trump. I am a registered Democrat so I had to wait until the general election. In PA Dems cannot vote in the R primary. My sister-in-law, an always major liberal switched to Republican despite the left’s message to hate Trump, just so she could vote for Trump. I was amazed. More and more Pennsylvanians were clamoring for the truth. There still is no truth in the Democrat Party.

For me, Trump quickly broke through the pack of Republicans and began his showdowns with his real opponent, Hillary Clinton. Like many Democrats, I had had enough of the Clintons, but my predilection to Trump was more because of him and not because of Clinton. It had more to do with the fact that he reminded me of a last man standing to prevent a huge country from going off a big cliff.

At the end of the day, when the dust had settled, and the battle was over, the last man standing won. Donald Trump won the election (2016] despite all odds. In many ways he got elected because he was the last man standing between an Obama-American hell-hole and a return to the Promised Land of our founders.

Despite the Democrats' failure to accept the results of the 2016 election and their incessant attempts to undue the results of the election through one scheme after another, Trump is more popular today than when he got elected. His supporters respect him because despite some human failings as we all have, he is a good man and he kept his promises to the American people despite taking flak from all sides on every issue.

For many regular guys, such as myself, President Trump represents a welcome change from establishment elitist politics. He genuinely loves America and he works for Americans first. His great ideas for solving the issues facing America today lined up with the thinking of most Americans who were paying attention and who were annoyed at the prior administration and wimpy Republicans who would rather grease their own skids than work for the good of the American people.

I am glad that you are reading this book, so you too can understand why Donald Trump was not a default for president. He was the clear choice of Americans who think. I wrote an essay early in his campaign that I titled: God gave us Donald Trump. I stand by that thought even after the Democrats continued to add Russian and now Ukrainian characters into their daily soap opera.

They may not have hated Trump initially. They just wanted to get rid of him—within hours of his election. Now, they hate him because, despite them using up their bag of tricks, Trump would not go away

and the people, especially at his rallies, encouraged him to stay the course and win a big victory for America and Americans.

They are sore losers and they are happy to lie and cheat to have their way. The union of the corrupt media, and now their joining with Big Tech, and with the Democrat Party makes Americans who love America see how dishonest they are in their attempts to do anything to have it their own way.

For thinking Americans who are not brainwashed by CNN et al., the Democrat shenanigans are getting old. Six years of the same crap is more than enough. Their sham impeachment is just another day of the soap opera that lowers my respect for Democrats more and more every day. I have never been more pleased with a vote than my vote for Donald J. Trump in 2016 and 2020. Along with many, many Americans, I am ready to cast it the same again in 2024. You too? Ron DeSantis would make a great #2.

Nobody is perfect. Even JFK loved the opposite sex a little too much and Bill Clinton had problems that were far worse than Trump's. Donald Trump has a fine wife, Melania and wouldn't we all like to have a life like his with such a loving family. With a bunch of kids of his own, he is clearly pro-life and makes his stance on that major issue well known. He is anti-infanticide—a new platform for the Democrats. He is for America first. Whatever he was in the past, I forgive him. I am pleased as are many Americans that he is working hard for us and he has proven that his way is very effective. The media and Democrat hate mongering does not affect us.

Yes, he is a great man and he became a great president. Why? -- for you, me, and all those who love America. I asked a number of my friends who are anti-Trump on everything. I asked them to respond to a set of questions about why they hate Trump so much. I wanted facts and examples, not CNN's opinion. They were all ready to offer their opinion like he's a liar etc. but they had no facts as ammunition and decided in the end not to submit a response.

When we move through this book, I will reveal the questionnaire and you will see that Trump haters simply cannot cut back but they claim

it helped only the 1%ers. Many of these folks are well-to-do which quite frankly lets them pretend that Trump is not necessary. But for regular Americans, he is a God-send. And was most appreciated.

Mike Grant may not think so but nonetheless, Trump is very smart. He knows business and we already experienced an enlivened economy until Joe Biden reversed his policies. With substantial foreign business experience, Trump set America up as the top dog in the world, and as expected, he is making no apologies for our success.

Trump is a tough American, so we can count on not being pushed around in foreign affairs or delicate negotiations. Our recently past president as expected, was a winner all the way around. He hates to lose and seldom lost. The bulk of Americans are very happy that we can again have someone in charge who believes we can win, and he is leading us all in our new winning ways. .

The weaknesses of the Republican Party came out in spades in the primary season in 2016 and continued as weak-kneed RINOs such as Jeb Bush, John Kasich, Lindsey Graham, John McCain RIP, and the Fake American Mitt Romney decided to become tools for the Democrats. During the campaign Donald Trump did not even give them lip service.

In his own way, Mr. Trump told them and all the establishment elites where to go. I like that. These RINOs and their Marxist friends across the aisle had been destroying America for their own benefit for too many years. It took a guy with guts and stamina to beat them. The last man standing stood against them and won a great victory for the American people.

Donald Trump first whooped everybody who was anybody in the GOP. He then ran against a person that some call a withered fascist--Hillary Clinton. There were many Democrats like me who felt that we could not afford a big liar like her in the White House. We were all in for Donald J. Trump.

For those who can ignore the media fake news and outright lies, there is plenty to admire and respect about President Trump. Watching his children in action at the GOP convention in 2016 and

again in 2020, the chemistry within the family, Americans got the full sense of what a fine man and a fine dad he really is.

I had the good fortune during Trump's early candidacy, to be channel surfing as a huge Trump Rally was about to take place in Minneapolis. I sat on the edge of the bed and watched the Trump Rally speech wipe out about half of the Tucker show, the entire Hannity show, and half or more of the Ingraham Angle. It was riveting.

Trump stood up there saying everything Americans believe in and Democrats are afraid to hear and the corrupt media choose to not report. He's already done more for America and Americans than any president—ever. You could see his experience and his Wharton School education in action. What a smart man and excellent speaker. His talk was about two full hours and it was fascinating. I needed a bio break and yet he persisted and gave no courtesy breaks to supporters glued to his every word. It was historical. I ran to the facilities as soon as he hit his Keep America Great crescendo.

I was so keyed up that when I came back and Fox put the repeat of the rally back on, I watched a major part of it again. CNN won't show Trump Rallies because they are in the Dem tank and they would lose a lot of Dem swimmers who get all their news from CNN if they ever showed the real Trump without their negative spin.

So, for all good Americans I have included every word of the Minneapolis speech in its own chapter of this book. I hope you like it and you believe that it is well worth your time. God Bless America. You won't get anything like this from the crooked US press.

America needs Donald Trump—a businessman and a great negotiator to compete in the world. We learned big time that we did not need somebody like the former president who unfortunately for the country found business as a necessary evil. Barack Obama chose to have nothing to do with sound business principles while being in charge of the US economy. Hillary Clinton was ready to execute a same-ole strategy—more of the same—more or less Obama redux. The people said “no.”

Former President Obama gave the impression for years that he had true disdain for America and Americans. It was as if he would have loved all Americans to give up their freedoms and become government dependents in a socialist or communist America.

I am convinced he would have liked America to give up its position as #1 in the world. Trump is clearly for America and Americans-First. He demonstrated that time and time again in each of his nearly 400 huge campaign rallies. Trump was a Nationalist running as a Republican because it made business sense to not go third party.

Hillary was more like Obama—socialist and Marxist. She came off even more radical than Obama. For example, Hillary never seemed to be too keen on freedom. She likes her own freedom for sure but not yours. She was working on eliminating the Bill of Rights and had already earmarked the 1st and 2nd Amendments of the Constitution for removal.

Yes, we were at the point in which a presidential candidate's position of not being actively opposed to the Bill of Rights was a key selling point for their candidacy.

The GOP today is still full of losers and babies who won't even keep their vows made in the pledge to support the Party's own nominee. Mitt Romney is the worst GOP of the worst GOPs since Lincoln. No wonder the prior president was treated as an emperor. His sad agenda received no interference from the whiny and wimpy Republicans. They quaked at the sight of Obama. Trump doesn't quake at anything. He's not only American. He's an all-American.

For years, I have hoped that somebody such as Rush Limbaugh or Donald Trump or somebody with influence and power and money would come along to change our two-party system. I put my vision to words in two books, the first, written five years ago titled, *Kill the Republican Party*, and the second written in the summer of 2018 titled *It's Time for the John Doe Party*.

The idea is to rid the party of the swamp and start over again with a new name such as *The American Party* or *the John Doe Party*, hoping to attract all current Republicans other than the swamp, and

all Democrats who are like me, pro-American to a fault. It is still a dream yet for many like me we are watching the Republican Congress very closely. So far, they stink.

For this ole conservative Democrat, the Republicans for years—even when my dad and I voted together before he died, always seemed to be the better choice than the far-left whacko Democrats. Yet, after Reagan, there were still bad choices and weak men.

Donald Trump has a lot of Reagan toughness and goodness in him. He has a great plan for America and in this book, we talk about the respect most Americans have for the President. First of all, he was and continues to be the best choice. Second, he is honest. Third, he will keep his word and keep America great again in ways in which Americans will all be pleased if the news media reports the truth.

I sure hope you enjoy this book and I hope that it inspires you to continue to take action. Our Congress can certainly be more pro-American and more responsive to the people's needs and not their own. I hope the book in some ways helps you look at things differently. Our new president has settled in and he is already implementing a host of innovative items on his agenda. I hope you digest Trump's entire plan, be willing to adopt it, and add to it your own positive notions for building a better America. And, please do not trust the press to do your thinking for you.

Together, we can help make the US a far better country. We should smile as we have accomplished our first and best objective. We now have a president who loves America and Americans. We elected Donald Trump as our president. Now, we must support his hard work and speak up to the Congress when they get in the way. When you hear Democrats and the media talking about how much they hate Trump, don't forget to smile and think to yourself. That's all they have. Brian W. Kelly, Author





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