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# John Jay - Founding Father

John Jay (1745-1829)

One of the Founding Fathers of the United States, John Jay is known as one of the writers of 'The Federalist Papers' and for being the nation's first chief justice of the Supreme Court.

John Jay was an American statesman and Founding Father who served in several government offices. Initially wary of the disruption that independence would bring, he soon devoted himself to the American Revolution. Jay served in the Continental Congress, was a diplomat, wrote some of The Federalist Papers and was the first chief justice of the U. S. Supreme Court.

Born in New York City, on December 12, 1745, Jay spent his childhood in nearby Rye, New York. Jay came from a wealthy merchant family whose ancestors included French Huguenots. After graduating from King's College in 1764, Jay began a career as a lawyer. He was already well-established in his career by the time that rifts with Great Britain and calls for independence erupted in the colonies.

#### **During the Revolutionary War**

Jay represented New York at the Continental Congress in 1774. His conservative nature initially had him searching for a way to maintain ties with Great Britain, something many other colonists also desired. However, wanting to ensure that colonists' rights would be respected, Jay soon wholeheartedly supported the revolution.

In 1776, Jay went back to New York. After working as the state's chief justice and helping to write the state constitution, he returned to the Continental Congress in 1778. Jay became president of the Congress, but would soon take on his most prominent role during the war—that of a diplomat.

As minister plenipotentiary, Jay traveled to Spain in an attempt to garner more support for American independence—a visit that was largely unsuccessful. Jay next joined Benjamin Franklin in Paris, France, where they negotiated an end to the Revolutionary

War with the Treaty of Paris (1783).

# A New Constitution and 'The Federalist Papers'

With peace secured, Jay became the foreign affairs secretary under the Articles of Confederation. Frustration with the limited power of the state he represented led Jay to support a stronger central government, and a new Constitution.

Jay put pen to paper to show his support, joining Alexander Hamilton and James Madison to write five of the essays that became known as The Federalist Papers. The Federalist Papers discussed, and argued in favor of, the principles of government laid out in the Constitution. Jay also authored a pamphlet, "An Address to the People of New York," which helped the Constitution attain ratification in New York.

In 1789, George Washington appointed Jay as the Supreme Court's first chief justice, a role he held until 1795. Jay took a break from judicial duties in 1794, when he went to Great Britain to address contentious issues such as exports, seizures and occupation. The resulting "Jay Treaty" sparked protests because it was considered too favorable for the British. However, the treaty averted a war that the United States was then ill-equipped to fight.

Upon his return to the United States, Jay learned that he had been elected governor of New York. He resigned his seat on the Supreme Court to take office. Jay refused a reappointment to the Supreme Court in 1800, citing his poor health and a reluctance to resume life on the judicial riding circuit.

#### **Death and Legacy**

In 1801, Jay stepped away from public life to retire to his farm in Bedford, New York. He died at his farm on May 17, 1829, at the age of 83. Having served his country for years as a judge, Constitutional advocate, diplomat and in elected office, Jay merits a place of honor among the Founding Fathers of the United States.



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### Trump is a Dictator?

Thus "says the party (Democrats) that wants to decide if a baby should live or die, how much money you should earn, what energy source you should use, what words you can say, what they can do to your kids without your permission, how you must refer to what a person wants to identify as and who can own a gun."

Of course, the above is the antithesis of what the Republican Party believes, and what the Constitution and Bill of Rights guarantee.

Let's take those points one by one:

- 1. Killing babies. Yes, the lefties like to use euphemisms: abortion, or choice. They sound so much better than murder, don't they? The time for "choice" is when a person is engaged in an action that may produce a baby. It isn't rocket science.
- 2. Money. America has turned itself inside out due to the strange generosity of our elected officials with our taxpayer dollars. Trump has done a marvelous job in only 11 months in reducing the free-loaders who use any excuse to access the public coffers rather than actually get a job. Kudos to Trump. Now we need to reduce the number of elected officials who treat our taxes as gifts they can hand out at will. See: Tim Walz.
- 3. The "green new scam" has cost billions of dollars as America tries to reduce Co2 emissions. We are pretty much alone in our efforts as India, China and others continue to burn coal.
- 4. Public education in America isn't even close to preparing kids to live healthy, happy, productive lives. Instead of teaching sex ed and gender studies in grade school, how about concentrating on civics, history, math, and English. Cursive writing enhances motor skills, personal expression, self-discipline, and increased retention of lessons learned.
- 5. Forcing others to bow to insanity. If you would like to carve up your body in an attempt to "change" your gender, this is America and you are free to do so. You are not free, however, to make me change my belief in male and female chromosomes. The forcing of men into women's sports because they identify as "transgender," demeans women, and obviously gives men an advantage. I'm astounded that every mom in the country is not screaming in outrage as sports trophies meant for their daughters are "awarded" to men pretending to be women. I can claim to be a 6'5" male basketball player but that doesn't make it so.

6. Our Founding Fathers felt so strongly about the right to self-defense, they placed it into the Bill of Rights, right after Freedom of Religion. I can see no logic in allowing the Government to force me into an inferior position should some nutcase with a gun decide to break into my home. Just as our country secures our borders against the invasion of illegal aliens, I have a right to protect my family and household against the same. As we have seen during the obama and biden administrations, leaving our borders unprotected has resulted in a spike in violent crime never seen before. People are not coming to America to assimilate; they are coming to take advantage of our generosity, as well as murder, rape, loot and steal from us.

America has a legal immigration policy to allow anyone from anywhere in the world to become an American citizen with all rights and benefits. Both obama and biden ignored this and let millions of unvetted, undocumented people disrupt our Country.

**Etc.** Several other topics need to be addressed as well. Mark Kelly started a firestorm by admonishing military members not to follow any unlawful order by Trump. And five of his liberal friends joined him. Apparently, they are so threatened by the success of the Trump Administration, they will do anything to undermine his authority. Military members are required to follow orders given by superiors. Sedition often includes subversion of a constitution and incitement of discontent toward, or insurrection against, *established authority*. There have been NO illegal orders given. Time for an investigation and trial.

Trump is one of the greatest Presidents EVER. We owe him our support.

Maybe if we had God in our public lives like we used to, we wouldn't see headlines like this: "Baby missing after pregnant 22-year-old found dead in Mich. woods — and her sister and fiancé arrested." Morality goes hand in hand with a God-centered life. Let's get the 10 Commandments back into classrooms so children have those guidelines to a positive life.

Okay, I'm off the soapbox now and wishing everyone a beautiful Hanukkah and Christmas season. Those two holidays represent the best of the best for humankind. Celebrate with family and friends and thank God for all the wonderful gifts He has given us.

- Sally Gillies

## **Special Guest Speakers**



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Below are five brave, concerned, true redblooded Americans who want to correct the heinous corruption within our CITY/COUNTY. We could use two more CANDIDATES for COUNTY seats!

We are not only fighting deep pockets, we are truly fighting SATAN and his gang of unscrupulous servants whose only religion is the next money bank in the neighborhood.

Robyn and I have donated to some and intend on donating to all even tho' we don't live in the City Limits.

It is now or never. This MIDTERM ELECTIONS will either invoke the hope of saving our REPUBLIC or clearly spell the downfall of what once was a beautiful Nation. The reins are in our hands!

Please make a check out to and mail as shown for what you can best afford to help these Candidates who put their lives on hold to serve and help us save our beautiful Volusia County. Thank you — Robyn & Chuck Collins

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Each of the above candidates has made a huge commitment to saving Volusia and Ormond, You will get full-color brochures full of pretty pictures and promises from developer-funded candidates promising peace and tranquility. But remember, these are the same folks who have crammed too many buildings into too-small an area, causing massive over-crowding and traffic jams everywhere. Our candidates need your support in monetary contributions and willingness to spread the word. One vote matters. Make yours count!



# The Bright Report

Oxymoron, a figure of speech in which contradictory terms appear in conjunction.

The City of Ormond Beach thinks it can self-DOGE. I do believe this is an oxymoron in the truest since, because if the budget had been made with the best interest of the residents as a whole and not just a few, we would not have runaway spending.

Let's examine the 2026 fiscal year budget. The Finance Advisory Board met only twice, once on June 4, 2025, to discuss the FY 2025-26 Proposed Capital Improvement (CPI) Plan and again on July 9, 2025, to discuss the FY 2025-26 Operating Budget.

In the minutes for the June 2025 meeting, the finance director stated that the \$35 million was approved by the City Commission to be included in the Proposed Annual Budget. The director also stated that the planning process starts with the Strategic Goal Setting held at the beginning of the year. Still, there are no minutes available for the July meeting.

Let's review the Strategic Goal Setting. This was a workshop that was held over three days, March 12-13, 2025, and May 6, 2025, with great expense. The minutes for the March workshop is still NOT available to the residents. Remember, in October 2025, the city showed us they can post minutes for workshops without the approval of the Dias when they choose to.

The City Commission paid a facilitator to lead them through the Strategic Planning Workshop to review and update the goals and priority objectives of its Strategic Plan, put forth by staff; those updates set forth in the 2025 Strategic Plan were approved on July 22nd in Resolution #2025-121.

Notice the dates of the Strategic Plan being approved after BOTH the finance advisory board meetings.

Transparency in government reporting is essential for building public trust and ensuring accountability. It involves providing clear and accurate financial information to citizens, government officials, and oversight bodies. Good practices in public sector financial reporting include:

 Accrual accounting: This method recognizes and values assets and liabilities at the time they are incurred, providing a more accurate picture of a government financial position.



nternational Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS): The adoption of IPSAS has been shown to significantly enhance financial reporting transparency and accountability in public sector entities.

- Regular audits and adherence to accounting standards: These practices help ensure that financial reporting is accurate and reliable, contributing to public trust.
- Open communication: The Government can strengthen relationships with its communities by fostering open communication and transparency.
- By implementing these practices, our local government can improve its financial reporting
- transparency and accountability, benefitting the public and the economy.

- Jennifer Bright

# Observer

The first candidate for the 2026 elections for Ormond Beach City Commission has now filed.

Jennifer Bright, a retired financial data analyst, filed to run to represent Zone 2 on the commission on June 2. Bright, who has lived in Ormond Beach for four years, has been a regular commission meeting attendee for the past year. She decided to run for office because she believes the commission should pay more attention to the existing residents and taking care of current infrastructure.

"I kept talking and trying to reach out, and I realized that maybe the best way to make change is try to make it from within," Bright said.

A native of northern California, Bright previously lived in Dallas, Texas, before moving to Ormond Beach. She decided to become involved in local government after the city began holding public meetings for its 2045 Comprehensive Plan update. Bright read the plan and said she had a lot of questions, and worried about home rule.

Her campaign is based on a platform for "responsible" development, controlling flooding, reducing spending and providing residents with more transparency.



"If you control the development and you're careful where you put it, I think you will control the flooding," Bright said.

On spending, she believes that with her professional background in finance and analytics, she can help the city evaluate its budget.

She'd also like to see the City Commission agenda packet be posted online for the public to review much sooner. Currently, the agenda is posted on the Friday afternoon prior to a Tuesday commission meeting.

Respective to Zone 2, Bright said she'd like the city to take a look at what is happening in the downtown with the ongoing roadwork from the Florida Department of Transportation. She worries the cement curbs will hinder emergency response vehicles in the future.

The 2026 election is still over a year away, but Bright said she filed now hoping to get an early start, as this will be her first time running for office. "I'm looking forward to meeting a lot of great people and seeing how people stand on issues, and seeing what other people might think," Bright said. The Zone 2 seat is currently held by City Commissioner Travis Sargent.

Jarleene Almenas | June 13, 2025

## A Logical Approach

During these many years since Vietnam, the caliber of our governing has boosted my skeptical and doubtful nature. It also had me coming to grips with "we weren't in it to win it!" And now, this recent election has justified my suspicions. It also validated my seemingly lifelong question, "just what would Americans defend?" Admittedly, today's events have provided a disturbing answer that should blend in with the following.

Being lucky enough to return home, return to my job, get married, and have a family, I found it trying at times when witnessing the government's unauthorized policies, in addition to a lack of any public response. Needless to say, my skeptical nature never enjoyed a day off. In addition a public susceptibility began to hover from ignoring the fact that America isn't perfect, but she sure as hell is the best place to live and love!

From then till now, it seems as though there's been a non-stop public unrest, which lately has degenerated from a loud mob to street thuggery and violence. Added to this is the lack of proper enforcement or even an available ear! Also, the public's right to protest has been intertwined with the financial world's hiring of an army of paid protesters!

My original query has been neutered since now, defending America is not an option, but a must. What has just taken place has finalized the last piece to the puzzle, which also depicts the unthinkable! What has been revealed is that one of America's two major political parties has actually joined with the enemy! This aligns with the last century since every war occurred during a Democrat Presidency. This communist embrace raises suspicions as

to just when this kinship actually began! Just another question, but still, America's misguided alliances and mistrust has evolved into a fight for her survival!

Today's so-called politics is now mean and adversarial! This is the result of a threat never considered. What was once the Democrat Party has now revealed its true communist self, simply in defense of the first real threat! We all have come to know and either like or hate Donald Trump, but seriously, just what justifies this hate, and what is so damning about America to warrant her demise? If truth be known. America has bent over backwards to accommodate all its complainers. Admittedly, barriers of social, cultural, legal, and historical significance have been revised and/or eliminated simply to please.

Despite America's benevolence and Trump's list of successes, both Trump's removal and America's extinction are theoretically necessary. Trump for his threat and America for her obvious merits, which, by her mere presence, already provide what the communists can only promise. While a vibrant America remains, comparisons tend to weaken the utopian chants of the communists!

Where in today's America do we start to protect? Well, the most obvious is in the area that has provided the damn communists with so many rewards: education! Our public education has always operated on shaky ground since it's unconstitutional. Whatever it takes, all Americans need to protect what should be cherished the most: our Country and our children, since without either, who, what, or why are we?

— Jim Bowman

#### GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

I was going to stay out of this, but I couldn't any longer... CS

The key to getting the government shut down over with is to keep the solution simple. People are going to suffer and what the Republicans should avoid is making the same mistake President Herbert Hoover made by not acting fast enough, and because he failed to help those who were struggling economically during the Great Depression, this ushered in FDR. So, we cannot underestimate this situation. We must continue to frame this solution carefully, not go into how the Democrats want to give healthcare to illegals because most democrats are fine with that. However, in order to get them to actually turn against their own democratic leaders, we must say the following...

"Republicans want to, and will, reopen the government, however, we need six democrats to join us. Only then will we have the required number of members to reopen the government... So, Democrats, what are you waiting on?" Period!!! Hammer this theme... It is the truth and it's as simple as that!

With midterms coming up in 2026, the talk is that those on the right will not come out in great numbers since President Trump is not on the ballot. And that may be true, and of course, that is exactly what the left is counting on. However, if our leaders and our patriots make it loud and clear that Trump may not be on the ballot, but his policies are, I believe we will turn out in bigger numbers than in 2024. We fail to get this message out, and what we have achieved so far will collapse... It will be all for naught!

More than anything, the left will be back in power, and the three-ring impeachment circus will be back in town, the WOKE/DEI Movement will be restored, the Justice Department and Intelligence agencies will be turned on us again, the borders will be reopened, gas prices will go back up, and crime will skyrocket again, and so on... You get the picture...

- Author CS Rennett









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President Donald Trump blasted Democrat "traitors" who urged military members to disobey certain orders, saying the lawmakers "should be arrested and put on trial."Trump's remarks came in a fiery Truth Social post, responding to a controversial video released by six Democrat members of Congress - all military or intelligence veterans — urging U.S. service members to "refuse illegal orders."Trump called their message "seditious behavior at the highest level" and warned that allowing their statements to stand unchallenged would undermine the stability of the nation.

— Charlie McCarthy I Newsmax.com

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An election official in Maricopa County, Arizona, has downplayed the discovery of more than 2,200 misplaced ballot envelopes that were found days after truthpress.com

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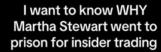
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"The fact that so many successful politicians are such shameless liars is not only a reflection on

them, it is also a reflection on us. When the people want the impossible, only liars can satisfy." — Thomas Sowell







#### Treasury Department Investigating Apparent Taxpayer Funding of Terror Organization Under Biden and Walz

Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent announced Monday that his department will investigate allegations of massive fraud across multiple programs administered by the state of Minnesota.

"At my direction, @USTreasury is investigating allegations that under the feckless mismanagement of the Biden Administration and Governor Tim Walz, hardworking Minnesotans' tax dollars may have been diverted to the terrorist organization Al-Shabaab," Bessent posted on X.

"Thanks to the leadership of @POTUS @realDonaldTrump, we are acting fast to ensure Americans' taxes are not funding acts of global terror. We will share our findings as our investigation continues," he wrote

Allegations of massive fraud were initially leveled last month in a report by <u>City Journal</u>, which alleged, "Billions in taxpayer dollars have been stolen during the administration of Governor Tim Walz alone.

Democratic state officials, overseeing one of the most generous welfare regimes in the country, are asleep at the switch."

"In many cases, the fraud has allegedly been perpetrated by members of Minnesota's sizeable Somali community. Federal counterterrorism sources confirm that millions of dollars in stolen funds have been sent back to Somalia, where they ultimately landed in the hands of the terror group Al-Shabaab," the report said.

"The largest funder of Al-Shabaab is the Minnesota taxpayer," the report quoted one of its sources as saying.

"Every scrap of economic activity, in the Twin Cities, in America, throughout Western Europe, anywhere Somalis are concentrated, every cent that is sent back to Somalia benefits Al-Shabaab in some way," a former official who investigated the flow of cash to Somalia said.

"For every dollar that is transferred from the Twin Cities back to Somalia, Al-Shabaab is... taking a cut of it," he said.

Glenn Kerns, a retired Seattle Police Department detective who worked on a federal Joint Terrorism Task Force for 14 years, said the Somali financial network stretched from Minnesota to Seattle and Somalia, where as much as \$20 million was sent abroad in one year.

"The amount of money was staggering," Kerns said.

He said that when he looked into the Minnesota sources of cash heading to Somalia, "all these Somalis sending out money are on DHS benefits. How does that make sense? We had good sources tell us: this is welfare fraud."

The report further noted that Minnesota's Medicaid Housing Stabilization Services program, which was projected to have an annual cost of \$2.6 million and ran up a \$61 million tab for the first six months of this year, is among programs riddled with fraud.

In September, eight people were <u>indicted</u> on charges related to fraud in the program.

Six are part of the Somali community.

The report noted that 56 people have pleaded guilty in a \$250 million fraud scheme with an agency called Feeding Our Future, which has forged connections with Democratic Rep. Ilhan Omar of Minnesota, a Somali, and her office.

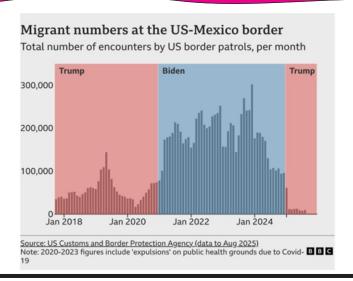
Further, allegations have been made about a \$14 million autism scam involving Minnesota's Early Intensive Developmental and Behavioral Intervention program. In the scam, parents enrolled their children to receive autism services, getting a kickback in the process.



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Meanwhile, scammers allegedly billed the state for autism services that were not necessary. The report noted that "one in 16 Somali four-year-olds in the state had reportedly been diagnosed with autism—a rate more than triple the state average."

"This is not an isolated scheme," U.S. Attorney Joseph Thompson said. "From Feeding Our Future to Housing Stabilization Services and now Autism Services, these massive fraud schemes form a web that has stolen billions of dollars in taxpayer money. Each case we bring exposes another strand of this network."

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# Tom Homan: Pro-illegal immigrant bishops ' need to spend time fixing Catholic Church'



Tom Homan had a special message of his own in response to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' statement on immigration, as both border czar and a lifelong Catholic.

"The Catholic Church is wrong."
Conservatives often find
themselves having to make the
technical correction against open
border zealots that it is not immigration that is widely opposed, so
much as it is illegal immigration.
Now, after the USCCB issued a
Special Pastoral Message in line
with Pope Leo's seeming rebuke of
President Donald Trump's mass
deportation efforts, Homan challenged the Church to fix itself and
let the government handle enforcing its national sovereignty.

Speaking from outside the White House Friday, the border czar was asked about the message on immigration which he summarized, "So, according to them, the message which is sent to the world is: if you cross the border illegally, which is a crime, don't worry about it. If you get ordered removed by a federal judge after due process, don't worry about it cause there shouldn't be mass deportations."

"Is that the message we send the whole world?" Homan asked.

As the bishops gathered for the Fall Plenary Assembly in Baltimore, Maryland, this week, the message

had been approved with a vote of 216 in favor, five opposed, and three abstaining, in the anonymous process.

"As pastors, we the bishops of the United States are bound to our people by ties of communion and compassion in Our Lord Jesus Christ. We are disturbed when we see among our people a climate of fear and anxiety around questions of profiling and immigration enforcement," began the first such message from the USCCB since 2013 over the inclusion of a contraception mandate in the Affordable Care Act.

"We are saddened by the state of contemporary debate and the vilification of immigrants. We are concerned about the conditions in detention centers and the lack of access to pastoral care. We lament that some immigrants in the United States have arbitrarily lost their legal status," continued the statement that favored all familiar talking points about the border crisis. "We are troubled by threats against the sanctity of houses of worship and the special nature of hospitals and schools. We are grieved when we meet parents who fear being detained when taking their children to school and when we try to console family members who have already been separated from their loved ones."

"Secure borders save lives," asserted Homan. "I wish the Catholic Church would understand that."

He was quick to remind that the sovereign state of the Vatican heavily enforces its borders within the confines of Rome as part of a mic drop that ended, "I'm saying it not only as the border czar, I'll say it as a Catholic. I think they need to spend time fixing the Catholic Church."

As for the bishops' message, which voiced opposition to "indiscriminate mass deportation" and prayed for the "end to dehumanizing rhetoric and violence, whether directed at immigrants or at law enforcement," its reliance on Church teaching about dignity lacked details about Church teaching specifically regarding immigration and sovereign rights.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church details, "The more prosperous nations are obliged, to the extent they are able, to welcome the foreigner in search of the security and the means of livelihood which he cannot find in his country of origin. Public authorities should see to it that the natural right is respected that places a guest under the protection of those who receive him."It goes on to state, "Political authorities, for the sake of the common good for which they are responsible, may make the exercise of the right to immigrate subject to various juridical conditions, especially with regard to the immigrants' duties toward their country of adoption. Immigrants are obliged to respect with gratitude the material and spiritual heritage of the country that receives them, to obey its laws and to assist in carrying civic burdens [emphasis added]."

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### Tom Homan: Pro-illegal immigrant bishops 'need to spend time fixing Catholic Church'

Amid the criticisms of the Church, which had taken no such stance against draconian lockdowns that robbed the faithful of access to the Eucharist and equally remained silent during President Joe Biden's administration as anti-Christian Marxist ideologies permeated all areas of society, it's worth noting that the USCCB had filed suit against the State Department earlier in the year after funding had been cut off for refugee resettlement, leading to the termination of cooperative agreements with the government.Reacting directly to the video message from the bishops, The Daily Wire's Matt Walsh called out their past silence, "I don't recall the bishops making any sort of video like this to condemn the Biden White House for supporting, funding, and facilitating the mass slaughter of children in the womb. I also can't remember seeing any video with solemn condemnations of the Biden White House and its support for the castration and sexual mutilation of children."

"That's in spite of the fact that Biden is actually 'Catholic' and he was actively engaged in activities that are explicitly condemned as mortally sinful by the Church," he went on. "Trump is neither Catholic nor is he doing anything, policy wise, that contradicts Church teaching. Deportations certainly do not. And yet the bishops suddenly find their voice and their courage for this issue. Very strange indeed."

In response, Daily Wire contributor and Holy See Press Office-accredited investigative journalist Bree A Dail reminded that the USCCB is under investigation for the alleged use of tax-payer funds to incentivize and facilitate illegal immigration, "placing our homeland security at risk and encouraging unprecedented levels of human trafficking and smuggling."

— Kevin Haggerty



# Rep. Fine to Newsmax: 2-Point Plan to Hold Universities Accountable

Rep. Randy Fine told Newsmax on Sunday that he has a twopoint plan for the best way to ensure accountability and promote safe learning environments at universities that receive federal funding.

The Florida Republican told Newsmax's "Conversations with Nancy Brinker" that we should "demand that our universities treat antisemitism the same way they treat racism.

"We don't have widespread racism problems at our universities because for 50, 60 years universities in their conduct codes and their speech codes have regulated it to make their university safe for Black students."

The congressman, who is on both the House Foreign Affairs Committee and the House Education Committee, reiterated that "we need those same codes applied to Jewish students. That would solve a lot of the problems."

Fine said "The second thing that we need to do is we have to require that American universities serve Americans.

"These universities like to claim that they are private institutions, but the fact of the matter is they are dependent on federal largesse — whether it is student loans or grants or other forms of federal funding — to stay in existence.

"And we need to say to these universities — if you are going to expect the federal government to keep [you] in business, 90% of your students must come from the United States."

The congressman insisted that "these two things would solve most of the problems."



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### Trump Treasury boss to 'cut off' illegal alien money transfers: 'No place for you in our financial system'

Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent announced on Friday that the Trump administration has begun moving to cut illegal aliens off from federal tax benefits and money transfers.

Writing on the social media platform X, Bessent revealed that the administration is "working to cut off federal benefits to illegal aliens and preserve them for U.S. citizens."

This will be achieved, according to the Treasury secretary, partly through the issuance of "regulations clarifying that the refunded portions of certain individual income tax benefits are no longer available to illegal and other non-qualified aliens."

The other half of the plan calls for reclassifying the Earned Income Tax Credit, the Additional Child Tax Credit, the American Opportunity Tax Credit, and the Saver's Match Credit as federal public benefits.

According to The Hill, if these changes are implemented, aliens "with U.S. work authorization would no longer be able to benefit from these benefits despite paying into the tax system."

"Those affected are likely to include Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals [DACA] recipients and [aliens] with temporary protected status," The Hill further notes.

Bessent's announcement came on the same day that the Treasury Department's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) published an alert to moneyprocessing companies (such as check cashiers and remittance processors) warning them to be "vigilant in identifying suspicious financial activity involving illegal aliens who present significant threats to national security and public safety."

Bessent's plan was released two days after an Afghan refugee opened fire on National Guardsmen in D.C., killing one and critically injuring the other, and about a week after a report broke about how Somali immigrants in Minnesota funded terrorism abroad through fraud.

According to reporting from journalists Ryan Thorpe and Christopher F. Rufo published at City Journal, the alleged fraud involved Minnesota's Medicaid Housing Stabilization Services program.

The program was ostensibly designed "to help seniors, addicts, the disabled, and the mentally ill secure housing" by offering "low barriers for entry" and "minimal requirements for reimbursement."

Though the program was estimated to cost only \$2.6 million annually when it was launched in 2020, the cost surged to \$104 million in 2024.

Minnesota's Department of Human Services is now finally moving to scrap the program after discovering numerous "credible allegations of fraud," most of which involve Minnesota's large Somali community.

"Most of these cases, unlike a lot of Medicare fraud and Medicaid fraud cases nationally, aren't just overbilling," then-acting U.S. Attorney for the District of Minnesota Joe Thompson reportedly said at a September press conference.

"These are often just purely fictitious companies solely created to defraud the system, and that's unique in the extent to which we have that here in Minnesota. What we see are schemes stacked upon schemes. draining resources meant for those in need. It feels never ending. I have spent my career as a fraud prosecutor and the depth of the fraud in Minnesota takes my breath away," he added.

The fraud also involved the Feeding Our Future program that "sponsored daycares and after-school programs to enroll in the Federal Child Nutrition Program."

"Using fake meal counts, doctored attendance records, and fabricated invoices, the perpetrators of the fraud ring [tied to Feeding Our Future] claimed to be serving thousands of meals a day, seven days a week, to underprivileged children," Thorpe and Rufo reported. "In 2021, Feeding Our Future received nearly \$200 million in funding."

The most surprising aspect of this story is what eventually happened to all the stolen taxpayer money.

"The Somali fraud rings have sent huge sums in remittances, or money transfers, from Minnesota to Somalia," Thorpe and Rufo reported. "According to reports, an estimated 40 percent of households in Somalia get remittances from abroad. In 2023 alone, the Somali diaspora sent back \$1.7 billion—more than the Somali government's budget for that year."

— Vivek Saxena



### Thankful for President Trump's climate report card

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President Trump has certainly shaken up, if not severely damaged, the climate hoax and Green New Scam in just 10 short months. Here's a list of his 10 top climate-related accomplishments for which we should all be thankful this holiday season:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has proposed to end the government's "scientific" basis for the climate hoax by rescinding the Obama EPA's 2009 illegal and incorrect determination that emissions of greenhouse gases endanger the public welfare. As part of this effort, the Department of Energy issued a report by top climate scientists concluding that U.S. greenhouse gas emissions will have no detectable effect on global climate change.

President Trump, again, pulled the U.S. out of the 2015 Paris Climate Accord, an unconstitutional effort by Presidents Obama and Biden to adopt a United Nations treaty without ratification by the Senate.

The One Big Beautiful Bill Act terminated hundreds of billions of dollars of the climate-related "Green New Scam" spending of the (so-called) Inflation Reduction Act, including all subsidies for electric vehicle purchases.

President Trump has directed his administration to reduce Green New Scam spending that survived the One Big Beautiful Bill by means of bureaucratic review, red tape, and delay. The rent-seeking and piratical thieves who want to steal from taxpayers played hardball to save some of their ill-gotten gains. The President is now showing, rather impressively, that he can play hardball right back.

President Trump signed into law a bill terminating California's electric vehicle mandate. Greens had tried to mandate EVs in California to force carmakers to only make EVs for the entire nation. Thanks to the President, that will not happen in the foreseeable future.

The EPA scored an appellate court victory in its effort to reclaim \$20 billion in Biden EPA Green New Scam panic spending made infamous by the Project Veritas video, "We're Throwing Gold Bars Off the Titanic."

President Trump halted a number of offshore wind projects and cut funding for many others. There are other projects that deserve to be terminated, such as the largest U.S. offshore wind farm being built by Virginia's Dominion Energy, but a great start has been made so far.

Stunningly, President Trump stopped cold a U.N. treaty to implement a global tax on shipping emissions by threatening would-be signatories with tariffs. This treaty would have been the first global climate tax.

President Trump boycotted and sent no delegation to the United Nations climate conference (COP-30) in Brazil, rendering the annual meeting even more confused and meaningless than it usually is.

President Trump delivered a blistering speech to the United Nations, blasting the climate hoax for about 15 minutes or so. The President summed up his views on climate in this one memorable sentence: "The carbon footprint is a hoax, made up by people with evil intentions, and they're heading down a path of total destruction."

That's quite a list. But much is left to be done. Some of the big items are as follows:

The EPA must finalize its rescission of the endangerment finding and then successfully defend the rescission in the Supreme Court.

All the Green New Scam spending must be terminated as soon as possible. Every dollar spent is a dollar stolen from taxpayers and invested in making us more energy dependent on Communist China.

It is not enough to withdraw only from the Paris Climate Accord.

President Trump must withdraw the United States from the 1992 parent treaty, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

And it would be really awesome if President Trump also withdrew the U.S. from the 1987 Montreal Protocol, the bogus treaty allegedly addressing the imaginary "ozone hole." That treaty, the follow-on Kigali Amendment ratified during the Biden administration, and language in the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act of 2020 signed by President Trump, have only been used to make refrigeration and air conditioning pointlessly more expensive.

I heard Al Gore tell a group of conservatives in January 2006 that the real purpose of the Montreal Protocol was to demonstrate that a global environmental treaty could be implemented. That "success" was then subsequently used as precedent for the UNFCCC and its spinoff climate treaties, the Kyoto Protocol and Paris Climate Accord. The ozone hole hoax paved the way for the climate hoax and Green New Scam. It's all been a multi-trillion-dollar fraud on American consumers and taxpayers.

America became great before these pointless environmental treaties. It has been greatly harmed and dangerously hamstrung by them since their ratification. If MAGA means anything, it means exiting international efforts to cripple the U.S. with junk science-based environmental treaties. And it would make a great Christmas present to the nation. Just a suggestion.

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