SOTOMAYOR – LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE (I THINK)

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(Take a peek at the GLOSSARY of GOVSPEAK near the end of this report – it'll help.)

My shortest "Rant" ever I am sure! Please don't be disappointed and give me another chance. But I'm advising you all not to waste a lot of energy on this lady!

I know! I know! I'm going against my predictable reaction here. But my instincts are 'buzzin' and I'm 'goin' out on a limb'. I've tried to analyze this topic, and accumulated a huge amount of information and commentary. And my notes include incredibly aggressive comments I have made about the whole Supreme Court nomination and approval process. But I just can't get to where I think you want me to be. I assure you, I've tried!

Ya' got yur' "Latina woman" wisdom vs. that of yur' "white men's". And yur' overturned appeals decision about those firemen. And the comment that our appeals courts are where "real policy is made". But somehow I'm losing enthusiasm for my opposition to this lady.

I have read those anecdotal comments she has made, and also the comments made by her former staff members. But I've also read other comments she has made, or written, which are "way better" in terms of judicial objectivity than I would have expected.

If she's rejected (somehow, but not likely), we won't get anyone better for a substitute nomination (in my humble and very intuitive opinion). And maybe she's the Dem's Souter - a total surprise and disappointment. She just might be independent enough to surprise me!

I'm advising that we just drop this issue, enjoy the entertaining approval hearings, and spend our energy where it will make a difference!

Please don't hate me!

GLOSSARY of GOVSPEAK (Language of our Government)

Da' Prez

POTUS – President of the United States
P-BOb – President Barack Obama
MESSIAH – Another name for P-BOb
THE ONE – One more name for P-BOb
W – Former POTUS, George W. Bush

Da' Rest

A-GOTUS – Attorney General of the United States (say: "a goat t'us) **BIPPY** – That place that many in STAM'FORM sometimes put their brain containers **CHA-FED** – Chairman of the Federal Reserve

COS-E – Chief of Staff (Rahm) Emanuel (pronounced "cozy")

COTUS – Congress of the United States

DA-VEEP – Vice President Joe Biden

DA-VEEP(-1) – Dick Cheney

DA-VEEP(-2) – Al Gore

DO-P-OTUS – Daughters of the President of the United States (say: "dopy Otis")

FA-FLITTER – P-BOb 'flits'/prances like Fred Astaire(**FA**)(separated at birth?)(say: fay-flitter)

FIDO-TUS – First Dog of the United States – FFOTUS's pet (say: "fido t'us")

FFOTUS – First Family of the United States (pronounced with an opening "flutter")

FLOTUS – First Lady of the United States

GITMO – That place that P-BOb just don't 'git'

HE-SINGN – Conveys the "head swiveling" while at the TOTUS (pronounced "he singin")

HORTUS – House of Representatives of the United States (pronounced "whore t'us")

HUGS – Conveys P-BOb's huge smile (**HUG**e **S**mile – GIT it?)

J-SECOTUS – Joint Session of Congress of the United States (say: jay secotus)

J-STRAPS – Another name for P-BOb's "supporters" (you know how to pronounce it)

KSM – Khalid Sheikh Mohammed – the senior terrorist enjoying time at GITMO (say: "kiss 'im)

M-BOb – Michelle Obama

PATOTUS – P-BOb's position at the Teleprompter of the United States

PEP – Precipitous Environmental Programs (pronounced "pep")

POTUS(-1) – Same as W

P-PPPP – P-BOb's Penchant for Pushing Precipitous and Peculiar Programs (say: "pee pep")

SCOTUS – Supreme Court of the United States

SECS – Secretary of State (would that be Hillary?) (pronounced "sex")

SHORTUS – The (Loud) Speaker of HORTUS, Nancy P

SOTUS – Senate of the United States

STYMIED – STable of the 'Y'ncredibly MIsinformED (all of P-BOb's "folks")

TOTUS – Teleprompter of the United States

T-SEC – Treasury Secretary what's his name

T-SEC(+1) – Whoever replaces the T-SEC

T-SEC(-1) – The former T-SEC

WB - Popularly known as "waterboarding" - the technique P-BOb just don't 'git'

WH – P-BOb's current residence (the White House)

I extend thanks, as always, to the many writers, commentators, researchers, and others, from both political extremes, whose hard work helps me greatly. They gather details and individually present so much information. About all I do is gather, organize, summarize, and then attempt to fill in with additional comments – commonly referred to as my **frequent "RANTS".**

More comments will follow on important topics and personal thoughts as our President battles through tough territory. I want to join other conservatives in recognizing and respecting our new President – and supporting him when we should. But when we oppose our President's policies, we should act in accordance with values of decency – but that doesn't preclude a healthy dose of sarcasm and satire, which are valuable tools for political commentary.