# Elephant Talk

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### **President's Byline : DEMOCRATS UNHINGED!!!**



The Democrats hatred for Donald Trump and the Republicans who support him seems to approaching lunacy these days. Let's review just few of those wacko reactions, etc. from Democrats.

• On March 13, 2018, President Trump announced that he would be nominating Gina Haspel to serve as the Director of the CIA to replace Mike Pompeo who had been nominated and approved by the Senate to serve as the Secretary of State. I listened to some of the hearings and the questions by the Democrats were all about water boarding, which they, John McCain and some others consider torture. Person-

ally, I am all for water boarding if it means protecting American lives. Now keep in mind that Ms. Haspel would be the first woman director of the CIA and had a Democrat president nominated her the press would have been lauding this since the Democrats are all about gender equality and less about the "person" actually being qualified for the job. But their main concern here seemed to be that because she was part of the CIA and had perhaps known about the water boarding (which had been approved all the way up the chain of command at that time), that somehow, she would not be "morally" fit to be the director of the CIA. She had worked under John Brennan who was appointed by Obama and approved by the Senate to replace General Petraeus as the Director of the CIA and he wasn't grilled about water boarding. But the Democrats on the Senate Intelligence Committee as well as John McCain who stated that because she would not acknowledge the "immorality of torture thought that she shouldn't be approved. Thank goodness she was approved by the committee and the Senate in the final analysis.

- When President Trump called MS-13 gang members "animals", Nancy Pelosi opined that "we be-lieve…that we are all God's children, there's a spark of divinity in every person on earth…and does he (Trump) not believe in the spark of divinity, the dignity and worth of every person…? (I have included the UTube video of this as it really needs to be seen to be full fully appreciated. <a href="https://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2018/05/17/nancy\_pelosi\_ms-13\_gang\_members\_are\_not\_animals.html">https://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2018/05/17/nancy\_pelosi\_ms-13\_gang\_members\_are\_not\_animals.html</a>). This is a gang whose slogan is "Kill, Rape, Control", who beat children to death with baseball bats and cut the heart out of one of their victims, but because Donald Trump said it, Pelosi is defending them. Another thought for Nancy, who is a big supporter of abortion on demand: just when does that "spark of divinity" come into being and aren't even unborn babies God's children. Apparently not to Ms. Pelosi.
- Hillary Clinton also made these observations about gangs after Trump's comments on MS-13.
   "You something that is so important for people to hear. You know, joining a gang is like having a family. It's feeling like you're part of something bigger than yourself. So, we're either going to have

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**Calendar of Events** 

Next Meeting August 21st

Coupon Cutting notice By email **May Plano Republican Women Meeting** 

# **Next PRW Meeting:**

# Tuesday, August 21, 2018

# **Program: Plano City Issues**

Location: <u>Reflections on Spring Creek</u> 1901 East Spring Creek Parkway

Time: 11:15 am: Arrive and check-in 11:30 am: Meeting, Lunch & Program

PRW membership is not required to attend our meeting Lunch is available with RSVP for \$20 in cash or check payable to PRW

RSVPs for lunch must be made by 5 pm the Friday before the meeting

RSVPs to attend without lunch may be made up to 5pm the Monday before the Tuesday meeting

To RSVP send an email to: rsvp@planorepublicanwomen.org

Include your name in your email and say if you will/will not be having lunch



- gangs that murder and rob and do things that are so destructive to the gang members and to the community. Or we're
  going to have positive gangs. We're going to have positive alternatives for young people." I can safely say that being a
  part of MS-13 is not like any family I've ever known
- Then we have the left's reaction to Trump's possible meeting with Kim Jong Un. Had Barack Obama put this together, they would be falling all over themselves to praise him (and he most certainly would have automatically gotten another undeserved Nobel Peace Prize). Not so much with Trump. But Trump is never given credit for anything and when he cancelled the summit the left and the press (but I repeat myself), praised Kim Jong Un, a nasty dictator, who starves his own people to support his military. The only dictator they can't seem to love these days is Putin, but then again, according to the left, Trump colluded with Putin. Funny thing though, there's not a shred of evidence to support that.
- Then there's Rob Rousseau, a liberal writer who tweeted "I would rather my daughter dated a member of MS-13 than date a member of the Republican Party."

I could go on and on, but suffice to say, the Democrats are still seething over Hillary Clinton's loss to Trump and they will continue to "lose their minds" every time Trump tweets. I'm kind of enjoying that!



Special thanks to Lisa Babb for providing the list of the States of the United States that have their own State Pledge, the photos of the flags, the pledges and the historical information on their origin.



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# **Political Cartoons**

I DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS A SEXUAL PREDATOR AWARD..



My guess is that if a dead body was found in the trunk of Hillary's car, the FBI would ask Trump why he did it.

OH SIR, ONE MORE THING.... IF DEMOCRATS REALLY CARED ABOUT ELECTION INTERFERENCE,

> WHY THEN ARE THEY SO AGAINST VOTER ID LAWS?





Arkansas I salute the Arkansas Flag with its diamond and stars. We pledge our loyalty to thee. The official salute to the Arkansas Flag was adopted in 1953.

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### **The Birth of Our Flag** By Lisa Babb, Americanism Chair

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I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

Justifiably proud American citizens honor the flag of the United States of America as the ultimate symbol of our country and our shared ideals. The extended verses of our US National Anthem vividly recall the triumph of our Star-Spangled Banner's ushering in a time "... when freemen shall stand between their loved home and the war's desolation! And Blest with victory and peace, may the heav'n-rescued land Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation! ..." During our Pledge of Allegiance, we face our flag to reaffirm our history and our dedication to the solemn responsibilities bequeathed to us by our patriot forefathers – to never take our freedom for granted and to always remember the many lives sacrificed through the centuries to purchase for us this most precious of gifts. Our displays of "Old Glory" on our homes, businesses and government buildings are a continuous source of comfort and reassurance that our "... star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave. ..."

The idea of an annual day specifically celebrating the Flag originated in 1885 in Waubeka, Wisconsin with Bernard John Cigrand, then a nineteen-year old school teacher. In his one-room school, he placed a 10-inch 38-star flag in an inkwell and instructed his students to write essays on what the flag meant to them. He referred to June 14th the flag's birthday. This was the 108th anniversary of the official adoption of The Stars and Stripes. Cigrand devoted many years and fervent effort to bringing about national recognition and observance of Flag Day. The crowning achievement of his life came at age fifty when the Proclamation of President Woodrow Wilson, on May 30th, 1916, officially established Flag Day. On August 3rd, 1949, President Truman signed an Act of Congress designating June 14th of each year as National Flag Day. Official recognition came for Cigrand, when on June 14th, 2004, the 108th U.S. Congress voted unanimously on H.R. 662 that Flag Day originated in Ozaukee County, Waubeka Wisconsin. Incidentally, the United States Army also celebrates its birthday on June 14<sup>th</sup>.

Although the "Red, White and Blue" is now universally instantly recognizable as the flag of the United States of America, many historical American flags have existed.

The first ships establishing the American colonies all flew the flag of St George (white banners with a bold red cross), which had been the English National Flag. This flag, as well as the flag of the Union, or the British Flag, (combining St George's Cross and St Andrew's Cross) flew at the Jamestown colony.

American colonies, states, citizens, and organizations utilized various symbols and images for their own flags. Pine trees appeared frequently. Benjamin Franklin popularized the image of the rattlesnake. The rattlesnake seemed to him to be a most fitting representative of American virtues. He published a drawing of a serpent cut into thirteen segments to remind the colonies of the danger of disunity. Each segment was marked with the name of a colony, and the motto "Join or Die" was printed below. The Gadsden Flag also incorporates a coiled rattlesnake accompanied by the words "Don't Tread on Me" and a colonial Navy Jack (a version of a national flag flown on ships) displays a rattlesnake against what the British referred to as "thirteen rebellious stripes."

The first true U.S. flag and parent of the Stars and Strips was the Grand Union Flag, consisting of 13 alternating red and white stripes, with the British Union in the canton (the upper left corner). This flag is also referred to as the Continental Colors, the Continental Union Flag, the Cambridge Flag, the Congress Flag, the First Navy Ensign, the Somerville Flag, the Great Union Flag or simply, the Union Flag. The inclusion of the Union Jack *and* 13 stripes indicated that although the colonists were expressing loyalty to Great Britain, they were also declaring their colonial unity and their willingness to resist. As the first commonly flown flag by the Continental Army and Navy, the Grand Union Flag was the flag of the united colonies on July 4, 1776 when they declared their independence from Great Britain and on September 9, 1776, when the name "United States" was chosen for the former British colonies.

The journal of the Continental Congress, regarding the 5<sup>th</sup> item on the agenda for Saturday, June 14, 1777 contains a simple statement: "Resolved, That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation."

Until the Executive Order of June 24, 1912, neither the order of the stars nor the proportions of the flag was prescribed. Consequently, flags dating before this period sometimes show unusual arrangements of the stars and odd proportions, these features being left to the discretion of the flag maker. The following acts were later passed:

• Act of January 13, 1794 - provided for 15 stripes and 15 stars after May 1795.

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Georgia - I pledge allegiance to the Georgia flag and to the principles for which it stands; Wisdom, Justice, and Moderation.

The pledge of allegiance to the State flag was originally passed by the state legislature in 1935.

Act of April 4, 1818 - provided for 13 stripes and one star for each state, to be added to the flag on the 4th of July following the admission of each new state, signed by President Monroe.

• Executive Order of President Taft dated June 24, 1912 - established proportions of the flag and provided for arrangement of the stars in six horizontal rows of eight each, a single point of each star to be upward.

- Executive Order of President Eisenhower dated January 3, 1959 provided for the arrangement of the stars in seven rows of seven stars each, staggered horizontally and vertically.
- Executive Order of President Eisenhower dated August 21, 1959 provided for the arrangement of the stars in nine rows of stars staggered horizon tally and eleven rows of stars staggered vertically.

There have been 27 official versions of the American Flag throughout history. Each time a State was added to the union, a star is added to the flag the next Fourth of July. None of the previous flags ever become obsolete and they can be flown at any time.

<u>13 Star (1777-1795)</u> Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina and Virginia

15 Star (1795-1818) Kentucky and Vermont

20 Star (1818-1819) Indiana, Louisiana, Mississippi, Ohio, Tennessee

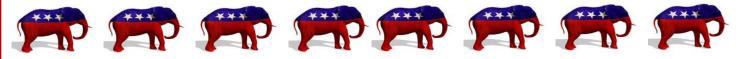
<u>21 Star (1819-1820)</u> Illinois	23 Star (1820-1822) Alabama and Maine
<u>24 Star (1822-1836)</u> Missouri	<u>25 Star (1836-1837)</u> Arkansas
<u>26 Star (1837-1845)</u> Michigan	<u>27 Star (1845-1846)</u> Florida
<u>28 Star (1846-1847)</u> Texas	<u>29 Star (1847-1848)</u> Iowa
<u>30 Star (1848-1851)</u> Wisconsin	<u>31 Star (1851-1858)</u> California
<u>32 Star (1858-1859)</u> Minnesota	<u>33 Star (1859-1861)</u> Oregon
<u> 34 Star (1861-1863)</u> Kansas	<u>35 Star (1863-1865)</u> West Virginia
<u>36 Star (1865-1867)</u> Nevada	<u>37 Star (1867-1877)</u> Nebraska
<u>38 Star (1877-1890)</u> Colorado	
<u>43 Star (1890-1891)</u> Idaho, Montana, North	Dakota, South Dakota and Washington
<u>44 Star (1891-1896)</u> Wyoming	<u><b>45 Star (1896-1908)</b></u> Utah
<u>46 Star (1908-1912)</u> Oklahoma	48 Star (1912-1959) Arizona and New Mexico

<u>49 Star (1959-1960)</u> Alaska

<u>50 Star (1960-Present)</u> Hawaii

The United States Flag symbolizes national independence, individual liberty, idealism and patriotism. It is the flag of free people welded into a nation by vital unity of interest, sentiment and purpose. Under its *broad stripes and bright stars*, we, the citizens of the United States of America freely embrace and dedicate ourselves to our unique ideal of equal opportunity for life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

*I pledge allegiance to the Georgia flag and to the principles for which it stands; Wisdom, Justice, and Moderation.* 





Kentucky -I pledge allegiance to the Kentucky flag, and to the Sovereign State for which it stands, one Commonwealth, blessed with diversity, natural wealth, beauty, and grace from on High.

The official pledge of allegiance to the flag of the Commonwealth of Kentucky was adopted in 2000.



**LOUISIANA** - I pledge allegiance to the flag of the state of Louisiana and to the motto for which it stands: A state, under God, united in purpose and ideals, confident that justice shall prevail for all of those abiding here. The state pledge of allegiance was adopted in 1981.

The Birth of Our Flag

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# **PRW May Meeting Photos**

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**Michigan** - I pledge allegiance to the flag of Michigan, and to the state for which it stands, 2 beautiful peninsulas united by a bridge of steel, where equal opportunity and justice to all is our ideal. The pledge of allegiance to the state flag was written by Harold G. Coburn and was made official in 1972

# Get Out of My Class and Leave America

By Mike Adams

Author's Note: The following column is comprised of excerpts taken from my first lectures on the first day of classes this semester at UNC-Wilmington. I reproduced these remarks with the hope that they would be useful to other professors teaching at public universities all across America. Feel free to use this material if you already have tenure.

Wow, this is a rare treat! Read how this conservative professor introduces his classroom full snowflakes to the real world. There's going to be a tsunami of triggered and hurt feelings at his campus. Maybe we're seeing some brave souls in Academia actually pushing back against the anti free-speech idiots.

### From Townhall:

Welcome back to class, students! I am Mike Adams your criminology professor here at UNC-Wilmington. Before we get started with the course I need to address an issue that is causing problems here at UNCW and in higher education all across the country. I am talking about the growing minority of students who believe they have a right to be free from being offended. If we don't reverse this dangerous trend in our society there will soon be a majority of young people who will need to walk around in plastic bubble suits to protect them in the event that they come into contact with a dissenting viewpoint. That mentality is unworthy of an American. It's hardly worthy of a Frenchman.

Let's get something straight right now. You have no right to be unoffended. You have a right to be offended with regularity. It is the price you pay for living in a free society. If you don't understand that you are confused and dangerously so. In part, I blame your high school teachers for failing to teach you basic civics before you got your diploma. Most of you went to the public high schools, which are a disaster. Don't tell me that offended you. I went to a public high school.

Of course, your high school might not be the problem. It is entirely possible that the main reason why so many of you are confused about free speech is that piece of paper hanging on the wall right over there. Please turn your attention to that ridiculous document that is framed and hanging by the door. In fact, take a few minutes to read it before you leave class today. It is our campus speech code. It specifically says that there is a requirement that everyone must only engage in discourse that is "respectful." That assertion is as ludicrous as it is illegal. I plan to have that thing ripped down from every classroom on campus before I retire.

One of my grandfathers served in World War I. My step-grandfather served in World War II. My sixth great grandfather enlisted in the American Revolution when he was only thirteen. These great men did not fight so we could simply relinquish our rights to the enemy within our borders. That enemy is the Marxists who run our public universities. If you are a Marxist and I just offended you, well, that's tough. I guess they don't make communists like they used to.

Of course, this ban on "disrespectful" speech is really only illusory. The university that created these speech restrictions then turns around and sponsors plays like *The Vagina Monologues*, which is loaded with profanity including the c-word – the most offensive and disrespectful word a person could ever possibly apply to a woman. It is pure, unadulterated hypocrisy.

So, the university position can be roughly summarized as follows: **Public university administrators have a First Amendment right to use disrespectful profanity but public university students do not.** This turns the First Amendment on its head. The university has its free speech analysis completely backwards. And that's why they need to be sued.

Before we go, let us take a few minutes to look at the last page of your syllabus where I explain the importance of coming to class on time, turning off your cell phone, and refraining from talking during lectures. In that section, I explain that each Continued on Page 7



New Mexico — salute the flag of the state of New Mexico, the Zia symbol of perfect friendship among united cultures. The official salute to the state flag was adopted in 1963.

# Get Out of My Class and Leave America

of you has God-given talents and that your Creator endowed you with a purpose in life that is thwarted when you develop these bad habits.

Unbelievably, a student once complained to the Department chairwoman that my mention of God and a Creator was a violation of Separation of Church and State. Let me be as clear as I possibly can: If any of you actually think that my decision to paraphrase the Declaration of Independence in the course syllabus is unconstitutional then you suffer from severe intellectual hernia.

Indeed, it takes hard work to become stupid enough to think the Declaration of Independence is unconstitutional. If you agree with the student who made that complaint then you are probably just an anti-religious zealot. Therefore, I am going to ask you to do exactly three things and do them in the exact order that I specify.

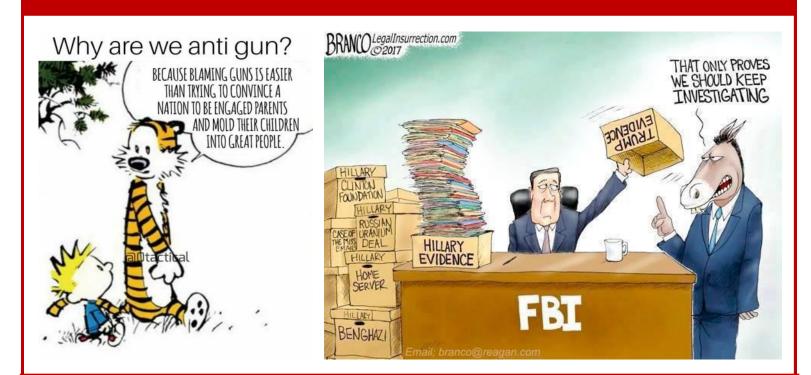
First, get out of my class. You can fill out the drop slip over at James Hall. Just tell them you don't believe in true diversity and you want to be surrounded by people who agree with your twisted interpretation of the Constitution simply because they are the kind of people who will protect you from having your beliefs challenged or your feelings hurt.

Second, withdraw from the university. If you find that you are actually relieved because you will no longer be in a class where your beliefs might be challenged then you aren't ready for college. Go get a job building houses so you can work with some illegal aliens who will help you gain a better appreciation of what this country has to offer.

Finally, if this doesn't work then I would simply ask you to get the hell out of the country. The ever-growing thinned-skinned minority you have joined is simply ruining life in this once-great nation. Please move to some place like Cuba where you can enjoy the company of communists and get excellent health care. Just hop on a leaky boat and start paddling your way towards utopia. You will not be missed.

Thank you for your time. I'll see most of you when classes resume on Monday.

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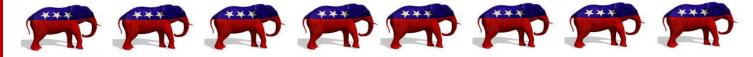
# North Carolina -

*I salute the flag of North Carolina and pledge to the Old North State love, loyalty, and faith.* The official salute to the North Carolina flag was adopted in 2007.

# **PRW In Action**



PRW Members worked during the Primary Runoff Election as Judges and Clerks. This is one of many ways PRW Members serve the community.



# Governor Abbott Unveils Plan To Address School Safety In Texas

### May 30, 2018 | Austin, Texas

Governor Greg Abbott today joined state and local leaders to unveil his School and Firearm Safety Action Plan. The Governor's plan contains 40 recommendations and includes proposals that call for increasing law enforcement presence at schools, strengthening existing campus security programs, enhancing firearm safety, providing mental health evaluations that identify students at risk of harming others, and much more. Today's announcement, which the Governor unveiled in Dallas, TX and San Marcos, TX, follows a series of roundtable discussions held last week during which the Governor spoke to, and received input from, victims, parents, educators, lawmakers, law enforcement and policy experts to help generate solutions that improve safety and security at Texas schools.

### Read Governor Abbott's School and Firearm Safety Action Plan.

"This plan is a starting point, not an ending place," said Governor Abbott. "It provides strategies that can be used before the next school year begins to keep our students safe when they return to school. This plan will make our schools safer and our communities safer."

In addition to the actions Governor Abbott is taking today, he will also ask Texas Senate and House leaders to issue an interim charge to consider the merits of adopting a "red flag" law allowing law enforcement, a family member, school employee, or a district attorney to file a petition seeking the removal of firearms from a potentially dangerous person, only after legal due process is provided.

The recommendations announced today identify nearly \$110 million in total funding, including \$70 million that is already or will soon be available to begin this important work. Additionally, the Governor has identified a specific need for \$30 million that he will work with the Legislature to fund next session.

A full list of the Governor's recommendations can be found here.



## Louisiana

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the state of Louisiana and to the motto for which it stands: A state, under God, united in purpose and ideals, confident that justice shall prevail for all of those abiding here.

The state pledge of allegiance was adopted in 1981.

# Whatever the Left Touches It Ruins

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### By Dennis Prager for National Review

April 10. 2018

A partial listing of the damage done.

The only way to save Western civilization is to convince more people that leftism — not liberalism — is a nihilistic force. Quite literally, whatever the Left touches it ruins.

So, here is a partial listing of the damage done by the Left and the Democratic Party:

The most obvious — and, therefore, the one more and more Americans can resonate with — is the near destruction of most American universities as places of learning. In the words of Harvard professor Steven Pinker — an atheist and a liberal — outside of the natural sciences and a few other disciplines (such as mathematics and business), "universities are becoming laughing stocks of intolerance."

If you send your children to a university, you are endangering both their mind and their character. There is a real chance they will be more intolerant and more foolish after college than they were when they entered college.

When you attend an American university, you are taught to have contempt for America and its founders, to prefer socialism to capitalism, to divide human beings by race and ethnicity. You are taught to shut down those who differ with you, not to debate them. And you are taught to place feelings over reason — which is a guaranteed route to eventual evil.

The Left has ruined most of the arts. The following three examples are chosen because they are scatological, a favorite form of left-wing artistic expression. Before the Left poisoned the arts, art was intended to elevate the viewer (or listener). But to the Left, "elevate" is a meaningless term; it is far more at home depicting urine, fecal matter, and menstrual blood.

In 2011, a lifelike German sculpture depicting a policewoman squatting and urinating — even the puddle is sculpted — received an award from a prestigious German foundation, the Leinemann Foundation for Fine Art.

In 2013, the Orange County Museum of Art in California placed a huge 28-foot sculpture of a dog outside the museum, where it periodically urinates a yellow fluid onto a museum wall.

In 2016, one of the most prestigious art museums in the world, the Guggenheim in New York, featured a pure-gold working toilet bowl, which visitors were invited to use. The name of the exhibit was "America" — so one could literally relieve oneself on America.

Thanks to the Left, the Philadelphia Orchestra, one of the greatest orchestras in the world, allowed itself to become of a voice of leftist hate last week. It featured the premiere of Philadelphia Voices, "a political rant put to musical garbage," as some musically knowledgeable Philadelphians described it to me. In the fifth movement, titled "My House Is Full of Black People," the black teen narrator chants the following lines: "The county is full of black people/ All wanting to be heard/ While old white men draw lines on maps/ To shut all of them up." Later in the movement, he yells, "If you would all just f\*\*\*ing listen!"

Uplifting, no?

On the left, that's considered art.

And, of course, such politicization of the arts is accepted as the norm.

Indeed, that's part of the Left's poisoning of everything - its politicization of everything.

The Left is increasingly poisoning sports. In most football stadiums this past season, one could not attend an NFL game without being subjected to left-wing contempt for America and its flag.

So, too, one cannot watch late-night television if one desires to simply be entertained before drifting off to sleep. Jimmy Kimmel, Stephen Colbert, and other hosts have changed late-night TV into left-night TV. Why merely be funny when you can use your monologues to advance your left-wing views?



# New Mexico

*I salute the flag of the state of New Mexico, the Zia symbol of perfect friendship among united cultures.* The official salute to the state flag was adopted in 1963

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The Left has poisoned mainstream religion. Mainstream Protestantism, non-Orthodox Judaism, and much of the Catholic Church — including and especially Pope Francis — are essentially left-wing advocacy groups with religious symbols.

The Left is destroying the unique American commitment to free speech. Almost half of incoming college freshmen do not believe in free speech for what they deem "hate speech" (merely taking issue with a left-wing position is, in the Left's view, "hate speech"). They do not understand that the whole point of free speech is allowing the expression of opposing ideas, including what we consider "hate speech."

The Left has poisoned race relations. America is the least racist multiracial society in the world. On a daily basis, Americans of every race and ethnicity get along superbly. But the black Left and the white Left constantly poison young minds with hate-filled diatribes against whites, "white privilege," "systemic racism," black dorms, black graduations, lies about the events in Ferguson, Mo., and the like.

The Left has made innumerable women unhappy, even depressed, with its decades of lying about how female sexual nature and male sexual nature are identical — leading to a "hookup" culture that leaves vast numbers of young women depressed — and its indoctrinating of generations of young women into believing they will be happier through career success than marital success.

And, in some ways scariest of all, the Left is poisoning our children with its commitment to ending male and female as distinct categories. One of the great joys of life, celebrating one's sex, is now deemed nothing more than a hateful idea in many of your children's schools.

For these and other reasons, if you treasure American and Western civilization, fighting the Left — something all liberals and conservatives need to do — is the greatest good you can engage in at this time.

Dennis Prager's latest book, The Ten Commandments: Still the Best Moral Code, was published by Regnery. He is a nationally syndicated radio show host and creator of PragerUniversity.com. @dennisprager



**Ohio** -I salute the flag of the state of Ohio and pledge to the Buckeye State respect and loyalty. The official pledge to the state flag was adopted in 2002.



**Oklahoma** -*I* salute the flag of the State of Oklahoma. Its symbols of peace unite all people. The official salute to the Oklahoma State Flag was adopted in 1982.



**Rhode Island** - I pledge allegiance to our State Flag, and to the Republic of which Rhode Island forms a part; one Union inseparable, with honor and reverence for both State and Nation.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Rhode Island State Flag dates back to 1910 where its source is the State Department of Education. I cannot find record that the General Assembly has made it official, however.



South Carolina -I salute the flag of South Carolina and pledge to the Palmetto State love, loyalty and faith. The pledge to the flag of South Carolina was adopted in 1966.



**South** Dakota - I pledge loyalty and support to the flag and State of South Dakota, land of sunshine, land of infinite variety.

The official pledge to the state flag was adopted in 1987.



**Tennessee** - *First official salute:* Three white stars on a field of blue God keep them strong and ever true It is with pride and love that we Salute the Flag of Tennessee.

*Second official salute:* Flag of Tennessee, I salute thee To thee I pledge my allegiance with My affection, my service and my life.

The first official salute to the flag of Tennessee was written by Lucy Steele Harrison. The second official salute to the flag of Tennessee was written by Miss John Bostick. These were thus designated and adopted in 2006

# **Political Cartoons**

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# LIBERALS THINK WE Should be equal at the finish line.



TPUSA.com



Video surfaces of Trump cutting the tags off the end of his mattress Special Persecutor Robert Mole-hair will raid the Serta Mattress Factory and

Special Persecutor Robert Mole-hair will raid the Serta Mattress Factory and seize records of Trump's mattress purchase, determine it the mattress was bought from a Russian owned store, and if Stormy Daniels helped Trump select the mattress. This could get ugly!

# REMEMBER THAT TIME Republicans rioted,

BEAT INNOCENT DEMOCRATIC VOTERS,

# **DESTROYED PROPERTY**,

AND TORCHED AMERICAN FLAGS?





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m Texas}$  -Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

The pledge of allegiance to the state flag was originally passed by the state legislature in 1933. The original pledge began, "Honor the Texas Flag of 1836." This was changed in 1965 since the Lone Star Flag is *not* the 1836 flag. The current version with the words, "one state under God," became effective in 2007. Texas schoolchildren are required to recite the pledge between the American pledge and a minute of silence (parents may request exemption).



Washington May 25, 2018 Rep. Sam Johnson on Groundbreaking of Critical New Reservoir

**PLANO, TX** – Today, U.S. Congressman Sam Johnson (TX-03) joined the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) and other local, state, and federal leaders at the groundbreaking ceremony for a new reservoir that will meet critical water needs for North Texas families. The reservoir, named the North Texas Municipal Lake, received its permit earlier this spring after years of work to bring the reservoir online.

The permit was expedited due to a bipartisan effort led by Johnson in 2016. This move was necessary due to population growth that is forecasted to eclipse available water resources unless another reservoir is built. At the groundbreaking, Congressman Johnson delivered the following remarks:

After many years of hard work, it's great to know that there will soon be a lake at this very spot – a lake that will provide vital water to North Texas families. And I'm also proud to say that I led the bipartisan effort in 2016 to expedite the permitting process for this critical project.

The members of Texas Delegation who joined me in this hard-won battle on behalf of North Texans include Senators Cornyn and Cruz; and Representatives Pete Sessions, John Ratcliffe, Jeb Hensarling, and Eddie Bernice Johnson.

Clean, reliable water is something all Americans want and need. And because drought is no stranger to our area, one of my longstanding priorities in the United States Congress has been water.

For example, a few years ago I had the honor of working with my former colleague, Congressman Ralph Hall, when we faced a problem with zebra mussels. The water district had to actually stop pumping water until we got a bill signed into law to allow the water district to resume pumping and treat the water at the Wylie Water Treatment Plant.

Today, with this new reservoir, we are building the solution to address a different water problem.

You see, North Texas is one of the fastest growing areas in the nation. It's a blessing, to be sure! It's a great place to live! But a growing population also means we need more water. This goes beyond just watering our yards. It's about being able to turn on the faucet and get good, clean water – to make sure our area's economy has the water it needs to continue to grow.

What's more, the timing for the reservoir permit was crucial if we want to have water ready to meet future demand. The approval permit we received this spring came in the nick of time thanks to the tireless and bipartisan congressional effort.

I want to congratulate everyone involved in this project. This is how to get things done together!

Washington May 30, 2018 <u>President Donald J. Trump to Sign Right to Try Legislation Fulfilling the Promise He Made to Expand Healthcare</u> Options for Terminal Americans

A RIGHT TO LIFE: Right to try legislation returns treatment decisions back to patients, giving them the right to make healthcare choices that could save their lives.

"Right to Try" gives the over 1 million Americans who die from a terminal illness every year a new tool to fight and make potentially lifesaving decisions about their treatment.

According to the National Cancer Institute, an estimated 609,640 Americans will die from cancer alone in 2018.

Prior to this legislation, options for terminally patients who had exhausted all treatment options were extremely limited:

Many terminally ill patients were considered too sick for clinical trials of new medication. In fact, only 3 percent of cancer patients today are enrolled in clinical trials.

The FDA's "compassionate use" application is complicated and time-consuming, resulting in only about 1,200 approved applications per year.

With President Trump's signature the Federal government joins with 40 States that have approved the right of terminally ill patients to try potentially lifesaving drugs.



# Virginia

I salute the flag of Virginia, with reverence and patriotic devotion to the 'Mother of States and statesmen,' which it represents—the 'Old Dominion,' where liberty and independence were born.

The official salute to the flag of Virginia was adopted in 1954.

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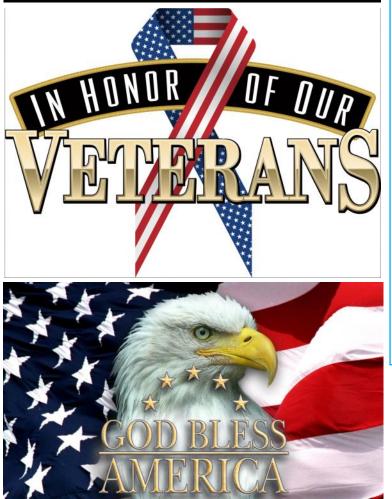
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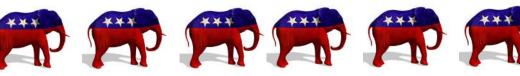
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