## WHAT PRESIDENT TRUMP SHOULD SAY IN HIS STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS

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Below is what I believe President Donald Trump should say in his State of the Union Address. Given the gravity of the current internal threat to freedom and to everything America has stood for, the address should be short; and without the usual lists of proposals and accomplishments most presidents use for applause lines.

The Constitution requires that the president "shall from time to time give to the Congress Information of the State of the Union." However, given the disreputable dishonesty of most of the media, it is appropriate that I use these remarks to talk directly to the American people. This is the best chance a president has to reach them, without his words being twisted beyond recognition by most who call themselves journalists.

I have done my best during the last two years to Make America Great Again. But I accept <u>Alexander Hamilton's wisdom</u>: It is "my duty to [portray] things as they are ...." Today, our Union is more divided than at any time since before and during the Civil War. While a significant number of Americans enthusiastically support my efforts, a true account of the state of the union must recognize the existence of extremist resistance to American greatness.

Because of the current internal war against American history, traditions and values, and especially against the United States Constitution, it would be inappropriate for me to deliver a standard State of the Union address providing a laundry list of proposals and boasting of my accomplishments, which can be found at <u>whitehouse.gov</u>. Instead, this will be short, in order to focus a spotlight on the threats from within facing all decent, freedom-loving Americans.

Much bitter opposition is the result of deception. The presence of the woman in the seat behind me is proof positive of how many in front of me obtained their seats by fooling voters. Remember, this woman <u>objects</u> to my denouncing brutal murderers as "animals" instead of "humans." After vowing not to vote for her to be Speaker, they broke their promises on the <u>very first roll call vote</u> of this Congress. Despite "<u>dozens who originally pledged to oppose</u> <u>her return to power</u>," only 15 kept their word, probably only because their votes were not needed for their party to break faith with their voters. During the next two years, I urge all Americans to scrutinize the performance of these people and ask: "Is this what I voted for?"

As president, in the face of bitter resistance, I have worked very hard to keep my promises. The refusal of professional politicians to keep their word is now a <u>major threat to</u> <u>representative self-government</u>. Were today's politicians in business, they would be sent to jail for violation of the <u>Fair Packaging and Labeling Act</u>. When citizens cannot know what those for whom they vote are going to do once elected, the right to vote is meaningless. (Incidentally, the punishment of private citizens but not politicians, for false advertising and labeling, is just one of <u>countless scandalous examples</u> of how hypocritical out-of-touch legislators exempt themselves from the very laws, rules and regulations they impose upon ordinary Americans.)

Returning to the ferocious and hateful opposition to me for keeping my promises, my staff has found no prior examples of major media outlets having suggesting the assassination of a president. Yet major TV networks, such as <u>CBS</u> and CNN, <u>repeatedly</u> (p. 205) have suggested that about me. So too has the <u>New York Times</u>, which used to be considered the most influential newspaper in the country; and still has influence among many people. Also, most regrettably, officials of a prior administration have advocated a *coup d'etat*.

I was not a professional politician and had a good life before I sought the presidency. I ran for president because I was appalled by the utter contempt the Washington establishment has for both the American people and the Constitution they cherish. This establishment consists of most in the media, many members of the Congress, including most Democrats, as well as holdover Deep State bureaucrats who daily violate the law and their oaths of office. Their war is not just against me but against the people and their constitutionally prescribed right to choose who governs them.

Regrettably, the establishment, with utter contempt self-government, also includes unelected federal judges who arrogantly abuse their authority by issuing orders against the entire country rather than confining them to their own local districts and to the parties in the cases before them. These judges have caused great harm. Their abuses have resulted in barbaric murders of American citizens by foreign criminals who have no right to be here; and are a continuing threat to public safety.

Once rare, federal judge-shopping is now rampant. <u>What authority</u> to make nationwide immigration policy does an unelected local judge have in Hawaii, which is nowhere close to the southern border where an organized massive invasion by illegal immigrants is a major problem? Why is a judge in the *Northern* District of California asked to decide an immigration case rather than a judge in the *Southern* District, which is right on the border?

Make no mistake. Although we are not in a shooting war, we are in a war nevertheless — a war against American values, a war against American culture, a war against the American way of life and, above all, a war against constitutionally-protected freedoms, the rule of law and representative self-government. For short-term political gain, many current members of Congress would abolish the basic hard-won rights of freedom of speech and due process of law.

For elections to mean anything, voters need information upon which to base their choices. But not many Americans know what the fake news media has refused to report: Four years ago, every single Democrat senator voted to abolish First Amendment free speech protection, ceding to Deep State Swamp officials the power to prohibit speech they considered "unreasonable." Tellingly, the anti-freedom Democrats made an exception for their allies, the fake news media. (The <u>official roll call vote</u> and <u>official Democrat amendment</u> to mutilate the sacred First Amendment are now posted on the WhiteHouse.gov website.)

My obligation as president is to do the best I can. I have lived most of my life and I do not fear assassination regularly advocated by leftist fanatics. However, I do fear the prospect of what would happen if citizens conclude that they have been <u>cheated</u> out of what they voted for in a constitutionally legitimate election. This is made all the more ominous when the leaders of a major political party no longer accept the results of elections they lose.

Just recently, a defeated Democrat presidential nominee, Hillary Clinton, declared that there is no reason to be civil when Democrats lose. This is in stark contrast to Richard M. Nixon, another president whose legitimacy leftist Democrats refused to accept, despite his having won re-election by a landslide in 1972. Just 12 years earlier, in 1960, Nixon lost a very close election. But he rejected pleas by his supporters to contest disputed vote counts in Illinois and Texas. Instead, in his constitutional role as Vice President presiding over a joint session of Congress, he delivered one of the most eloquent forgotten brief statements in American history. For the benefit of today's impatient sore losers who never have accepted the constitutional results of the 2016 election and are unable to wait until next year to vote me out of office, it is worth quoting <u>Nixon's eloquence</u> 58 years ago:

This is the first time in 100 years that a candidate for the Presidency announced the result of an election in which he was defeated and announced the victory of his opponent. I do not think we could have a more striking and eloquent example of the stability of our constitutional system and of the proud tradition of the American people of developing, respecting, and honoring the institutions of self-government.

In our campaigns, no matter how hard-fought they may be, no matter how close the election may turn out to be, those who lose accept the verdict, and support those who win ... [I]t is indeed a very great honor ... to extend to John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson ... my heartfelt best wishes [as they] work in a cause ... bigger than any man's ambition, greater than any party. It is the cause of freedom, of justice and peace for all mankind.

Tragically, many now seated here scornfully reject Nixon's gracious wisdom. They and their corrupt, dishonorable and disloyal Deep State cronies pose a monumental threat to the United States Constitution. I urge all Americans who love our country and the great Constitution bequeathed to us over 200 years ago to resist the resistance to constitutional self-government. Only the American people can stop them from getting away with their tactics of stealing elections, vote fraud, speech suppression, intimidation and seeking to overturn elections they lose.

One of the most deplorable tactics of the Deep State and FNM resistance is to accuse their opponents of the very sins of which they are guilty. A group called Antifa regularly smear proponents of freedom as fascists. In truth, it is the left that today is fascist as witnessed by repeated actual and attempted suppression of free expression of any opposing views.

Many decent American citizens are rightly concerned about the radical left Democrat assault on the Second Amendment. But we must not forget that that amendment is second for a reason. Without freedom of speech and the right to petition for redress of grievances secured by the First Amendment, there will be no right to defend and safeguard the Second Amendment. The right to petition already has been seriously undermined. As noted, just four and one-half years ago, every Democrat Senator voted to abolish First Amendment protection for their political opponents. These U.S. senators – all Democrats – supported government regulation of speech critical of the government, or, as they put it, the power to "reasonably limit" money spent to "influence elections." Do you want the deep state swamp to decide if what you say is "reasonable"?

The 54 anti-free speech Democrats included 35 still in the senate. They should be exposed for the freedom they seek to suppress: Baldwin (WI), Bennet (CO), Blumenthal (CT), Booker (NJ), Brown (OH), Cantwell (WA), Cardin (MD), Carper (DE), Casey (PA), Coons (DE), Durbin (IL), Feinstein (CA), Heinrich (NM), Hirono (HI), Kaine (VA), King (ME), Klobuchar (MN), Leahy (VT), Manchin (WV) Markey (MA), Menendez (NJ), Merkley (OR), Murphy (CT), Murray (WA), Reed (RI), Sanders (VT), Schumer (NY), Shaheen (NH), Stabenow (MI), Tester (MT), Udall (NM), Warner (VA), Warren (MA), Whitehouse (RI), Wyden (OR).

Leftist contempt for the freedoms provided by the Constitution does not end with the

First and Second Amendments. This contempt extends to elimination of due process for their opponents. For Senators such as Feinstein, self-proclaimed "Spartacus" Booker, Harris, Hirono, Gillibrand, Klobochar, to name just a few of the worst, the mere making of a charge against one of their political opponents is proof of its truth. This is the stuff of the Inquisition of the middle ages, where torture extracted false confessions or the old English Star Chamber, which the Fifth and Sixth Amendments were intended to protect against. And if false charges does not work, harassment and intimidation of Storm Trooper days are advocated by the likes of Senator Spartacus Booker, Representative Maxine Waters and hate-filled Hillary Clinton.

These are perilous times. After Jan. 20, 2025, I will no longer be president. Therefore, it is ultimately up to the American people to decide whether to fight for their freedom or to allow it to be destroyed by the very fascists who smear as fascists all decent Americans who oppose their march toward tyranny. As demonstrated by many examples of book-burning throughout history, one of the keys to totalitarianism is the elimination of any and all persuasive opposing ideas. President Ronald Reagan often pointed out that "[f]reedom is never more than one generation away from extinction." Reagan echoed another famous warning: "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

Finally, it is long overdue for people who have never discriminated against anyone because of race, religion or sex and do not believe in such discrimination to fight back against the <u>libels</u> against them by those <u>fanatically devoted</u> to these practices. In particular, for many years, leftist Democrats have been <u>libeling</u> and <u>defaming</u> as racist and sexist anyone who disagrees with them or opposes them in any way.

And yet, it is the Democrat Party that has a <u>long history</u> of defending slavery, racial discrimination and even lynching. It was the first *Republican* president, Abraham Lincoln, who ended slavery. Just a year ago and six weeks after <u>smearing</u> me as a racist, the Democrat Leader of the Senate <u>explicitly voted</u> against a judicial nominee solely based on the nominee's race and sex. And just a year ago, shamelessly and publicly, Democrats refused to applaud low minority and female unemployment; and they showed complete disrespect for the grieving parents of black rape and murder victims. Right now leftists are warning the Democrat Party not to nominate a presidential candidate next year who is of the "wrong" race or sex.

Long ago, the Democrat Party and its leftist allies abandoned the late Martin Luther King, Jr.'s dream that people "will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character." They are almost exclusively fixated on racial and sexual identity rather than on actual qualifications and the policies the candidates represent. They don't care what's best for the country but, instead, focus on the race and sex of those who hold office. They don't care if minority unemployment is high rather than low if the president is of a politically correct race or sex. They don't care if innocent people are raped and murdered as long as officeholders are in lockstep with preferred identity politics.

In closing, I sincerely hope that God grants all liberty-loving Americans the will and the strength to resist a resistance fanatically devoted to denying all that has made America great: its history, traditions, values and Constitution. God bless America.

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