

# KEY POINTS AND LINKS

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## STAND UP FOR AMERICA

- *Democrats have refused to denounce the lawlessness and riots taking place across the country, and will not condemn those who are vandalizing memorials and attempting to erase history.*
- *We need to aspire to the values laid out in our founding documents, not tear down our founding fathers.*
- *We need to come together to reject racism, injustice and inequality. This is a time for patriotism not partisanship, as we continue to improve our country - the greatest nation in the history of mankind.*
- *We must stand up for America. We must stand up for our history, for our values, and for the unique greatness of our country.*

### [President Trump's Remarks At Mount Rushmore](#)



*“My fellow Americans, it is time to speak up loudly and strongly and powerfully and defend the integrity of our country. It is time for our politicians to summon the bravery and determination of our American ancestors. It is time. It is time to plant our flag and protect the greatest of this nation, for citizens of every race, in every city, and every part of this glorious land. For the sake of our honor, for the sake of our children, for the sake of our union, we must protect and preserve our history, our heritage, and our great heroes.”*

### [National Review \(Rep. Ken Buck\): “Why Progressives Wage War on History”](#)

#### [Rep. Dan Crenshaw Video](#)



## [The Federalist \(Rep. Chip Roy\): "It's Time For Republicans To Stand Up For America Already"](#)

● See below for a list of some of the landmarks that have been either attacked, removed, or are scheduled to be removed:

- [Matthias Baldwin](#)
- [John Greenleaf Whittier](#)
- [Frederick Douglass](#)
- [Thomas Jefferson](#)
- [George Washington](#)
- [Abraham Lincoln](#)
- [Theodore Roosevelt](#)
- [Ulysses Grant](#)
- [Junipero Serra](#)
- [Francis Scott Key](#)

## POLICE REFORM/LAW AND ORDER

- *Instead of working across the aisle to pass meaningful legislation that would achieve significant police reform, Democrats did not even allow the JUSTICE Act, sponsored by Sen. Tim Scott and Rep. Pete Stauber, to be debated in the Senate.*
- *Democrats would rather have this issue to campaign on than solve the problem, which is just another example of them putting politics before the country's best interest.*
- *Members of their party refuse to reject absurd calls to defund and dismantle the police. Several Democratic cities, including Minneapolis, Los Angeles, and New York, have taken steps to defund or even abolish their police departments.*

### [Senator Tim Scott's Remarks On The Senate Floor After Democrats Blocked The JUSTICE Act](#)



*"Today we lost -- I lost -- a vote on a piece of legislation that would have led to systemic change in the relationship between the communities of color and the law enforcement community. We would have broken this concept in this nation that somehow some way you have to either be for law enforcement or for communities of color. That is a false binary choice. It's just not true. This legislation spoke to the important issues that have brought us here today. We wouldn't be here if it were not, as Senator Perdue alluded to, for the death of yet another African American man, George Floyd. His murder is why the country has given us the opportunity to lead, to lead. And my friends on the other side just said no. Not no to the legislation. They just said no. And why am I saying that they didn't just say no to the legislation?... Well, I finally realized what the problem is, Mr. President. The actual problem is not what is being offered. It is who is offering it. Took me a long time to figure out the most obvious thing in the room. It's not they what."*

## **JOBS/ECONOMY**

- *Last month, we saw 4.8 million jobs created. The economy has now created 7.5 million jobs over the last two months as the country begins to re-open and the economy rebounds.*
- *Nearly 34% of all jobs that were lost when the economic shutdown began have returned in just two months.*
- *Last month's jobs report showed the following gains:*
  - *2.1 million leisure and hospitality jobs*
  - *740,000 retail jobs*
  - *356,000 manufacturing jobs*
  - *568,000 education and healthcare jobs*
  - *357,000 service jobs*
- *The unemployment rate has fallen by 3.6% in the past two months, and according to the White House Council of Economic Advisers, that likely understates the actual progress being made in terms of job creation.*

## **COVID-19 RESPONSE**

- *The President and Administration have taken unprecedented action to address the global health crisis and the subsequent economic crisis. The United States has conducted over 40 million tests and has instituted the most robust testing system in the world. The Administration has deployed historic amounts of PPE and medical supplies so professionals can safely treat patients.*
- *Congress has passed historic relief, including establishing the Paycheck Protection Program, providing Economic Impact Payments, instituting the Provider Relief Fund for hospitals in order to combat the effects of the virus.*
  - *The PPP has distributed more than \$520B in loans to over 4.8 million small businesses, and the program is responsible for supporting more than 51 million jobs.*
- *We continue to be focused on reopening the country in a safe way that limits the spread of the virus. That includes wearing masks, maintaining social distancing guidelines, and protecting vulnerable populations.*
- *In multiple states across the country, we watched tragedy unfold as Democrat Governors forced COVID patients into nursing homes. Families deserve answers, and these leaders must be held accountable.*
- *Speaker Pelosi and Democrats have attempted to use this crisis as an opportunity to enact their party's left-wing agenda. She put forward legislation that amounted to a partisan wish list that included radical proposals that would only make recovery from the pandemic more difficult.*
- *Congress will continue focus on effectively responding to this crisis by helping employees get back to work and allowing small businesses to keep their doors open. Anything we do should be bipartisan and common sense, and not part of a far-left effort to pass their long-held political priorities.*

## **HEALTH CARE**

- *No American should have to worry about losing their health insurance, especially during a pandemic.*
- *No American should be discriminated against because of pre-existing conditions.*

- *Obamacare has been a complete failure. It caused Americans to lose their health care and made them unable to access affordable plans. Democrats wrote a bad law, passed it on a partisan basis, and forced the American people to deal with the far-reaching consequences.*
- *The law is unconstitutional. It's time for Congress to work together on health care reform legislation that will actually lower costs, increase choices, and improve access for the American people. Republicans are ready to do that. Unfortunately, Democrats appear committed to doubling-down on their failed experiment with socialized medicine.*
- *In the midst of the pandemic facing the country and with the world racing for COVID-19 cures, vaccines, and therapeutics, Speaker Pelosi and Democrats proposed legislation that would curtail medical research and innovation.*
- *Republicans have offered health care solutions that would make the system work better. These ideas include:*
  - *Providing access to affordable coverage for Americans who suffer from a pre-existing condition*
  - *Increasing access and lower costs through competition*
  - *Increasing transparency in the health care and prescription drug market*
  - *Removing government barriers that prevent patients access to new drugs or therapies*
  - *Having lifetime and annual limits on coverage*
  - *Allowing states to innovate and regulate the insurance market for their population*
  - *Increasing competition among insurers to bring costs down*
  - *Allowing consumers to purchase of health care across state lines.*
  - *Ending surprise billing so families are not crushed with unexpected and unnecessary costs*
  - *Passing innovative solutions, like Congress did when it passed Right-To-Try, and other patient-focused laws that give individuals, not government, the power to make choices in their best interest.*

## GREEN NEW DEAL

- *Democrats remain obsessed with trying to enact Green New Deal-style policies that would destroy jobs, eliminate entire sectors of our economy, cost untold sums, and transform our free market system into a socialist disaster.*
- *Instead of pursuing common sense infrastructure legislation, Democrats put forward a highway bill that [they admit](#) implements the “principles of the Green New Deal.” \$2 out of every \$5 (40%) of the funding in one of the divisions of the bill goes to funding Green New Deal projects.*
- *Democrats never even attempted to work with Republicans to try and develop reasonable legislation that funds key infrastructure priorities, and would rather put forward a meaningless messaging bill than trying to get something done that would help the country.*
- *This is in addition to their climate plan unveiled that would eliminate all fossil fuels and cause untold pain across our economy. Their proposal would impose harsh new mandates on the American people, and was [devised unilaterally](#) by Democrats with no Republican input.*

[China Task Force Chairman Michael McCaul Discusses The Interim Report On The Origins Of COVID-19](#)



- *Speaker Pelosi still believes that focusing on China and holding them accountable for the spread of COVID-19 is a “diversion.” It’s clear she does not take this important issue seriously and cannot be trusted to take action against their malign behavior.*
- *Democrats refused to even join the China Task Force, which was supposed to be a bipartisan effort to combat China and develop strategies to address the threat they pose in the 21st Century.*
- *Republicans on the China Task Force, led by Michael McCaul, have already [put forward an interim report](#) detailing the investigation into the origins and initial handling of COVID-19.*
  - *The report includes sections on how the virus spread throughout China, how it spread to other countries, and why international regulations put into place to address challenges identified as a result of the CCP’s handling of the 2003 SARS epidemic were not followed by both the CCP and the World Health Organization.*