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ELECTION integrity:

You're invited by the Incline Village-Crystal Bay Republican Women to a luncheon

Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at The Chateau, 955 Fairway Boulevard,

Incline Village | 11:30 am – 2:00 pm



Don't miss hearing YOLANDA KNAAK, our Legislature Chair for IVCB Republican Women, talk about how we can impact our Nevada State Legislature and she also covers one of the most important issues this year — election integrity.

Tickets are \$30 per person and include lunch. A no-host bar is available. Advanced reservations are REQUIRED. Attendees without advance reservations will not be able to have lunch.

Please RSVP to Cretia Eyster at cretiaeyster@earthlink.net or call (cell) 415-515-1883 no later than Friday, February 5.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We've got lots to do to help turn our country around . . . "Neither the wisest constitution nor the wisest laws will secure the liberty and happiness of a people whose manners are universally corrupt." —Samuel Adams (1749)

F ebruary has always been the month of Heart's and

Flower's, but with heavy heart we begin this February with a very divided existence. The hatred of President Trump has not ended, as well as for those of us that have supported him.

As Republican women we need to step up to the plate and turn this country around by staying positive and making sure that we put more Republican's in office both here and in Washington D.C. This will be a difficult task if we allow the Democrats to bully us into submission.

The "Second" Impeachment of President Trump this past week was a farce. The only reason was to try to keep Trump from running again in 2024. The siege on the Capitol in Washington D.C. on January6th was well planned and executed by other parties besides the

Republicans that went to peacefully rally around Trump. I'm sure we can all guess who financed and was behind the violence that occurred!

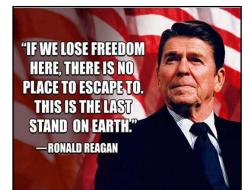
A few of us went down to the Capitol building in Carson City that morning. When we arrived, there were a lot of people standing on both sides of the



street with flags and signs and listening to the President's speech on the loud speaker. There was no violence because that is not how Republican's react.

As Republican women, we need to step up to the

plate and help turn this country around by helping to elect more Rightthinking individuals to run both our County, State



and Country. Just to let you know, we have shut down Facebook and Twitter from our Website.We will try to find a more Conservative platform to use.

Our February luncheon will have our own Yolanda Knaak speak about the Nevada Legislature that begins the first week of February and goes through June 2021. This is the beginning of educating us as we move forward towards 2022.

The last subject I want to talk about is the COVID-19 vaccination shots that are beginning to be administered here in Incline Village. Seniors 70 years of age and older can call the Incline Hospital to make a reservation to get the shot. The phone number is 775-888-4190. When the recording answers, spell your name twice and the phone number where you can be reached. Within 2 days you will be contacted and asked your name and birthdate. At this point you will just have to wait for a call back with a time and date for your shot.

I think I have been long-winded enough for this month. It has just been such a newsworthy time for all of us.

Keep the faith and stay well. I hope to see you at our luncheon on February 9th at the Chateau.

Shirley Appel



About our Speaker, YOLANDA KNAAK



n our February 9th luncheon Yolanda Knaak

will talk about how we of Incline Village-Crystal Bay Republican Women can impact our Nevada State Legislature, which begins this month. She also plans to cover one of the most important issues this year – election integrity.

Yolanda has been the Legislative Chair for IVCB Republican Women and the Nevada Federation of Republican Women (NFRW) since January 2018.

She says: "I recently ran for the position of Trustee for Incline Village General Improvement District (IVGID), and even though I didn't win, I plan to stay involved with IVGID issues and plan to run again in 2022."

Yolanda has a Master's degree from the University of California, Los Angeles. She is now retired from a life-long Registered Nursing career. Early in her career she worked five years at St. John's Hospital in Santa Monica on the Medical-Surgical Floor. Then Yolanda says, "after becoming a wound specialist, I had my own business

in that field for over three years. After her daughters were born, she worked as an advise nurse with Kaiser Permanente for 10 years. "Then I went into the field of home health nursing where I worked for seven years, and lastly I was a supervisor of a Home Health Branch office for five years."

Yolanda's education and work background and her support of Republican values has equipped her to be a leader in her nowrole as Legislative Chair for IVCBRW and the NFRW.

PERSONAL LIFE:

Yolanda was born and raised in Southern California. She has twin daughters that are now 22 years old. Her daughter Paulina completed a 2 year conservatory program in musical theater. She lives in Manhattan and despite COVID-19, she has remained busy working on her career. Yolanda's daughter Christina completed her 4 year degree in psychology last May, and got married last November to a wonderful young man that she met at her college's Christian Club. Her husband's name is Robin Diddams, and he develops computer programs for a tech company.

VALUES:

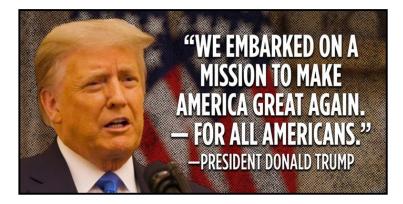
"I support and uphold the U.S. Constitution and Nevada State Law. I value our military, veterans, police, businesses, students and the elderly. Lastly, I believe in the saying: 'Do Justice, Love Mercy and Walk Humbly. . .' from the Book of Micah."



February Member Birthdays

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President Donald Trump Speaks to The Nation

The president gave his final speech Tuesday, January 5th highlighting his incredible successes and his America First vision. President Donald Trump's term has ended and Joe Biden has been inaugurated as the nation's 46th president. The peaceful transition of power is a feature in our great Republic, though we'll issue this great caution: The incoming administration and its allies are bent on doing the utmost damage to our Republic, and it is up to those of us who still revere our Constitution to stand in the way.

For the last four years, President Trump stood in the way of those who would dismantle our Constitution. His outstanding domestic legacy and foreign policy achievements are praiseworthy. Thus, it's no surprise that Trump used his farewell address to remind folks just how much he's done for the country he loves.

Here are some highlights from his speech:

Four years ago, we launched a great national effort to rebuild our country, to renew its spirit, and to restore the allegiance of this government to its citizens. In short, we embarked on a mission to make America great again — for all Americans.

We must never forget that while Americans will always have our disagreements, we are a nation of incredible, decent, faithful, and peace-loving citizens who all want our country to thrive and flourish and be very, very successful and good. We are a truly magnificent nation.

It was about "America First" because we all wanted to make America great again. We restored the principle that

a nation exists to serve its citizens. Our agenda was not about right or left, it wasn't about Republican or Democrat, but about the good of a nation, and that means the whole nation.

We passed the largest package of tax cuts and reforms in American history. We slashed more job-killing regulations than any administration had ever done before. We fixed our broken trade deals, withdrew from the horrible Trans-Pacific Partnership and the impossible Paris Climate Accord, renegotiated the one-sided South Korea deal, and we replaced NAFTA with the groundbreaking USMCA.

Also, and very importantly, we imposed historic and monumental tariffs on China; made a great new deal with China. But before the ink was even dry, we and the whole world got hit with the China virus. Our trade relationship was rapidly changing, billions and billions of dollars were pouring into the U.S., but the virus forced us to go in a different direction.

We also unlocked our energy resources and became the world's number-one producer of oil and natural gas by far. Powered by these policies, we built the greatest economy in the history of the world. We reignited America's job creation and achieved record-low unemployment for African Americans, Hispanic Americans, Asian Americans, women — almost everyone.

Incomes soared, wages boomed, the American Dream was restored, and millions were lifted from poverty in just a few short years. We rebuilt the American manufacturing base, opened up thousands of new factories, and brought back the beautiful phrase: "Made in the USA."

When our nation was hit with the terrible pandemic, we produced not one, but two vaccines with record-breaking speed. When the virus took its brutal toll on the world's economy, we launched the fastest economic recovery our country has ever seen.



We confirmed three new justices of the United States Supreme Court. We appointed nearly 300 federal judges to interpret our Constitution as written.

For years, the American people pleaded with Washington to finally secure the nation's borders. I am pleased to say we answered that plea and achieved the most secure border in U.S. history.

We restored American strength at home and American leadership abroad. And perhaps most importantly of all, with nearly \$3 trillion, we fully rebuilt the American military — all made in the USA. We launched the first new branch of the United States Armed Forces in 75 years: the Space Force.

We revitalized our alliances and rallied the nations of the world to stand up to China like never before.

We obliterated the ISIS caliphate and ended the wretched life of its founder and leader, al Baghdadi. We stood up to the oppressive Iranian regime and killed the world's top terrorist, Iranian butcher Qasem Soleimani.

We recognized Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and recognized Israeli sovereignty over the Golan Heights.

As a result of our bold diplomacy and principled realism, we achieved a series of historic peace deals in the Middle East. – The Abraham Accords opened the doors to a future of peace and harmony, not violence and bloodshed. It is the dawn of a new Middle East.

As President, my top priority, my constant concern, has always been the best interests of American workers and American families. I did not seek the easiest course; by far, it was actually the most difficult. I did not seek the path that would get the least criticism. I took on the tough battles, the hardest fights, the most difficult choices because that's what you elected me to do. Your needs were my first and last unyielding focus.

This, I hope, will be our greatest legacy: Together, we put the American people back in charge of our country. We worked to build a country in which every citizen could find a great job and support their

wonderful families. We fought for the communities where every American could be safe and schools where every child could learn. We promoted a culture where our laws would be upheld, our heroes honored, our history



from someone in the Yahoo News comments section, who said that Trump reminded him of a doctor with no bedside manner. He tells you that you need to lose 100 pounds and stop smoking. You're offended, you're angry, you come up with 10 reasons why he's crazy... and then you finally realize that he's the only one telling you the truth." -Mike Huckabee

preserved, and law-abiding citizens are never taken for granted. Americans should take tremendous satisfaction in all that we have achieved together.

The key to national greatness lies in sustaining and instilling our shared national identity. That means focusing on what we have in common: the heritage that we all share. At the center of this heritage is also a robust belief in free expression, free speech, and open debate. Only if we forget who we are, and how we got here, could we ever allow political censorship and blacklisting to take place in America. It's not even thinkable. Shutting down free and open debate violates our core values and most enduring traditions.

In America, we don't insist on absolute conformity or enforce rigid orthodoxies and punitive speech codes. We just don't do that. America is not a timid nation of tame souls who need to be sheltered and protected from those with whom we disagree. That's not who we are. It will never be who we are. This is a republic of proud citizens who are united by our common conviction that America is the greatest nation in all of history. We are, and must always be, a land of hope, of light, and of glory to all the world. This is the precious inheritance that we must safeguard at every single turn. – I fought for





President Donald Trump Speaks

America and all it stands for — and that is safe, strong, proud, and free.

As long as the American people hold in their hearts deep and devoted love of country, then there is nothing that this nation cannot achieve. Our communities will flourish. Our people will be prosperous. Our traditions will be cherished. Our faith will be strong. And our future will be brighter than ever before.

I go from this majestic place with a loyal and joyful heart, an optimistic spirit, and a supreme confidence that for our country and for our children, the best is yet to come. Thank you, and farewell. God bless you. God bless the United States of America.

Source: <u>https://patriotpost.us/articles/77152?</u> mailing_id=5587&utm_medium=email&utm_source=pp.email.5587&ut m_campaign=snapshot&utm_content=body

2 DIFFERENT ADMINISTRATIONS Yes, our troops were happy to serve their Commander and Chief!



To Understand Illogical Lockdowns, We Must Understand the Left's Thinking



By Rep. Dan Crenshaw

Lockdowns are back. To many of us, it would appear as if the entire human race has learned absolutely nothing in the past 8 months. Despite the overwhelming evidence that the cost of lockdowns far outweighs the limited benefits, many policymakers lack the backbone or creativity to come up with any alternative. Internet memes have shrewdly asked: If a lockdown worked the first time, why are we doing it again? If a lockdown didn't work the first time, why are we doing it again?

One of the most striking observations of the pandemic is that our society's reactions have fallen almost completely along partisan lines. Conservatives tend to be anti-lockdown and anti-government mandates, while liberals take the opposite view. Conservatives seek to contextualize COVID-19 data on deaths and infections with additional considerations, such as age, risk factors, and proportionality (i.e. total numbers versus cases per 100,000). Liberals obsess over total deaths and case counts, but nothing else.

The initial explanation for such stark differences was a familiar one — whatever Trump favors, the left opposes. While this is often true, it doesn't offer a full explanation. Over the past 8 months, I have seen for myself who is truly frightened and who is not, and who is asking the government for more action and who is not. I have seen how the demeanor of New Yorkers and New Englanders differs to that of my fellow Texans. In Washington, D.C., I regularly see people wear masks while walking alone in a park. In Texas, I almost never observe this, probably because there is no scientific basis for it. I presume the well-educated population of D.C. also knows there is no scientific basis for wearing a mask outdoors with no-one around





Understanding the Left's Thinking

you (only to take it off when you're finally seated at your favorite restaurant), and yet they do it anyway. Why?

The why is the more interesting question. Why do liberals favor lockdowns, aided by sensationalist headlines? Why are many genuinely more fearful of the virus? Opportunistic anti-Trump partisanship simply cannot explain many of the real and nonpolitical reactions I have witnessed. This is more than just a childish symptom of Trump Derangement Syndrome. This is indicative of deeper cultural and psychological differences between the left and the right.

At the heart of the disparity regarding our attitudes to the COVID-19 response is the subject of risk assessment. The perception of risk differs widely between liberals and conservatives, as well as the decisions made when confronting risky situations. Research shows that Democrats and Republicans differ in the neural mechanisms activated during risk-taking exercises, specifically in the amygdala region. This demonstrates measurable physiological differences when confronted with risk.

But what about the actual choices we make? To assess risk tolerance, a better indication might be the careers that liberals and conservatives choose. Conservatives overwhelmingly fill the ranks of physically riskier jobs such as the military, law enforcement, and loggers.

This is all a lengthy way of explaining this simple observation: conservatives appear to be less risk averse to physical threats, and therefore far less likely to favor more extreme actions to mitigate that risk. This leads us to the next major cultural division, which is the extent to which government should involve itself in societal problem solving.

The essential disposition of the liberal mind is a belief that almost anything can be solved by government. Conservatives reject this as unmitigated hubris resulting in unrealistic goals and excessive costs. The liberal favors action, even at a high cost, and even better if that action is collective in nature. Rhetorically, everything becomes the moral equivalent of war — the war on poverty, the war on inequality, the war on COVID-19 — because only in war do we plan and execute with feverish collectivism.

This preference for collective action means that the need for proper cost-benefit analysis is cast aside. Rational questions about the effectiveness of lockdowns, or whether their benefit exceeds their cost, are ignored and even considered offensive. "If it saves one life!" is the battle cry of the left, because their language is the language of (assumed) morality and compassion, not proper risk analysis or rational decision-making.

And this surfaces yet another major difference between conservatives and liberals: our moral preferences. Performing hundreds of thousands of surveys across different countries, social psychologist Dr. Jonathan Haidt consistently found that liberals overemphasize "caring" and "fairness" above other moral considerations. Conservatives, on the other hand, favor all moral categories more equally, placing emphasis not just on compassion, but on fair processes, moral authority and tradition, liberty, and loyalty. Conservatives are more morally balanced, while liberals measure the worth of an action by its corresponding measurement of signaled compassion. So, it is no surprise that liberals routinely denigrate contextualized COVID-19 data — such as accounting for age and co-morbidities when assessing fatalities — as "downplaying the virus" or "covering for Trump's failures." After all, rational discussions become impossible with someone who views you as morally inferior.

Psychological dispositions matter. Cultural differences matter. They lead to vastly different policy outcomes. If we are to successfully persuade someone of our view, it behooves us to understand these differences and attempt to frame the debate accordingly. Only then can we answer the profound question of the internet memer we discussed earlier.

If lockdowns didn't work the first time, why are many Americans calling for more? And why are so many "leaders" in government obliging?

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Joseph Warren: A Founding Father Whom Few Remember

Many of our Founding Fathers who have come before us knew the sting of political unrest, war and corruption. A little-known patriot is **Joseph Warren** who penned this warning which is relevant to today's political scene:

"Our country is in danger, but not to be despaired of. Our enemies are numerous and powerful; but we have many friends, determining to be free, and heaven and earth will aid the resolution. On you depend the fortunes of America. You are to decide the important question, on which rest the happiness and liberty of millions yet unborn. Act worthy of yourselves." — Joseph Warren (1775)

- Joseph warren (1773)

J oseph Warren was an American physician who played a leading role in Patriot organizations in Boston during the early days of the American Revolution, eventually serving as President of the revolutionary Massachusetts Provincial Congress.

Warren enlisted Paul Revere and William Dawes on April 18, 1775, to leave Boston and spread the alarm that the British garrison in Boston was setting out to raid the town of Concord and arrest rebel leaders John Hancock and Samuel Adams. Warren participated in the Battles of Lexington and Concord the following day, which are commonly considered to be the opening engagements of the American Revolutionary War.

In the years leading up to Lexington and Concord and the Battle of Bunker Hill, his leadership in Boston's revolutionary circles was considered by many to be superior to Sam Adams and John Hancock. Warren's well-developed espionage system learned of



British General Gage's secret plan to raid Lexington and Concord and Warren sent riders into the countryside to alert Adams and Hancock. Paul Revere often gets the credit for this "midnight ride," but Joseph Warren made the decision to send him!

He lost his life at age 34 fighting for America even before George Washington arrived in Cambridge to take command of the Continental Army. Dr. Joseph Warren was killed on the field of battle early in the struggle against Great Britain – well before the Declaration of Independence was signed in 1776. Had he survived the war, as John Adams, his cousin Sam Adams, and John Hancock did, he would be one of the most famous "Founding Fathers."

Born in 1741 in Roxbury, Warren was the oldest of four sons of Joseph and Mary Stevens Warren. His father was a farmer who raised his children in a three-story brick house surrounded by acres of pastures, orchards, and salt marshes. Joseph and his three brothers were expected to do farm chores as well as put long hours of work in the fields and orchards. Warren's father insisted that his sons receive the best possible education and since his father was a devout Christian, they were also taught to earnestly



Joseph Warren

study the Bible. Because of his godly upbringing Joseph Warren possessed a knowledge of the scriptures that was reported to be unsurpassed.

Joseph Warren (B-June 11, 1741; D-June 17, 1775) married Elizabeth Hooten and the couple had three children: Richard Warren (son), Mary Newcomb (daughter) and Elizabeth Warren (daughter). Dr. Joseph Warren is buried in Forest Hills Cemetery.

Notable: Some of the Founding Fathers were traditional Christians in that they believed firmly in the divinity of Jesus Christ. Such founding fathers include Sam Adams, Patrick Henry, and Jon Jay.

Sources:

Wikipedia; <u>https://www.gotquestions.org/Founding-</u> <u>Fathers.html</u>, information edited and compiled by Susan A. Schnetz.

Our Democracy Is Not at Risk, but Our Republic Is

Confusing the two types of government is more than just lazy semantics!

A fter toiling amid sweltering heat and vigorous debate for months, the Constitutional

Convention finally concluded. Elder statesman Benjamin Franklin emerged from Independence



Hall into the autumn sunlight and was asked by a local woman, "Doctor, what have we got? A republic or a monarchy?" Franklin replied, "A republic, if you can keep it."

One can be forgiven these days for believing America is a democracy. Politicians and media talking-heads endlessly refer to America as a democracy, yet it is not now, nor has it ever been, a democracy. In fact, James Madison, the Father of the Constitution, sternly warned in Federalist No. 10, "Democracies have ever been spectacles of turbulence and contention; have ever been found incompatible with personal security, or the rights of property; and have, in general, been as short in their lives as they have been violent in their deaths."

And in 1814, John Adams wrote, "Remember democracy never lasts long. It soon wastes, exhausts, and murders itself. There never was a democracy yet that did not commit suicide." Our Founding Fathers rightly saw democracy as little more than mob rule. *And despite the months of Black Lives Matter and Antifa-led riots last year, and mob violence at the Capitol two weeks ago, many still advocate for more democracy in our political system.*

To safeguard against the excesses of democratic mob rule, the Founders crafted a federal constitutional republic, implementing a series of separations of power, checks and balances, and vetoes, which allow for majoritarian rule while also protecting the rights of the minority and the individual. The Founders understood that in a pure or direct democracy, there exists a danger that demagogues of "factious tempers" and "sinister designs" would encourage public faction for their own selfish ends. But as Madison explained, delegating government power "to a small number of citizens elected by the rest" would "refine and enlarge the public views, by passing them through the medium of a chosen body of citizens, whose wisdom may best discern the true interest of their country, and whose patriotism and love of justice will be least likely to sacrifice it to temporary or partial considerations."

Or, as *National Review's* Thomas Koenig notes, "The role of the elected representative is to harmonize the interests and passions of his constituents with the dictates of reason and the common good. This requires a certain independence of mind and spirit, as well as a hefty dose of prudence."

Unfortunately, such patriotism, independence of mind, and prudence is all too often lacking in our



Republic Is at Risk . . .

elected representatives of late. Though our Constitution, and the republican form of government it established, has functioned remarkably well at tempering the impulses of the mob for nearly a quartermillennium, many on the Left are eager to destroy our republic and replace it with a pure democracy (and socialism).

A few months ago, Utah Senator Mike Lee triggered outrage on the Left with two simple tweets: "We're not a democracy," followed by "Democracy isn't the objective; liberty, peace, and prosperity are. We want the human condition to flourish. Rank democracy can thwart that." Responses ranged from denial that America is a republic to assertions that we are a republic, but a deeply flawed one. Writing in The Atlantic just before the election, Claremont McKenna College professor George Thomas said, "Dependent on a minority of the population to hold national power, Republicans ... have taken to reminding the public that 'we're not a democracy,' [and] have suddenly found their voice in pointing out that, formally, the country is a republic."

Suddenly? Republicans have been making that point for decades.

Thomas continued, making a cogent argument as to how and why the Founders constructed a republican form of government that would "foster a complex form of majority rule, not enable minority rule." However, Thomas then began to list what he sees as the failures of the republican form of government, arguing, "The greatest shortcoming of the American experiment was its limited vision of the people, which excluded Black people, women, and others from meaningful citizenship, diminishing popular government's cause."

He has a point, but thanks to near unanimous Republican support for the 13th, 14th, 15th, and 19th Amendments (but near unanimous Democrat opposition, save the 19th, which received but 41% of Democrat votes), these shortcomings were rectified. Today, Democrats, now controlling the White House and both chambers of Congress, are threatening to eradicate two of the powerful mechanisms employed for more than two centuries to protect the rights of the minority — the Electoral College and the Senate filibuster. They argue that these things deny the will of the majority, as when President Donald Trump won a resounding Electoral College victory while losing the popular vote.

But if the Electoral College is abolished, then how will the rights of the minority be protected? After all, Los Angeles County, with a population of 10.4 million, has more people than all but the eight largest states. At a time when Big Tech and the social media giants are censoring the half of the country that supports President Trump, and Democrats are assembling lists of Trump administration officials and prominent supporters in order to publicly ostracize them and deny them employment, the rising dangers of democracy are quite evident.

John Adams rightly noted, "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other." It was made for a people of temperance and moderation, not to contain a vengeful mob.

Let's keep our republic, if we can!

Source: Article by Louis DeBroux, <u>https://</u> patriotpost.us/articles/77130? mailing_id=5587&utm_medium=email&utm_sourc e=pp.email.5587&utm_campaign=snapshot&utm_c ontent=body



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Let's not Forget the Legacy of President Donald J. Trump

y friend April Dobbs is a Conservative Republican who recently penned this on her Facebook page. She said:

"I'm posting this reminder of Donald Trump's accomplishments so I will not forget how good we are doing now. For all of you Biden voters, I am making this post so it will "show back up" as a future memory on my own timeline.

"Today is Day One after the Joseph Biden Inauguration as the 46th President of our United States. Gasoline is currently averaging \$2.19 per gallon; it's as low as \$1.78 in South Carolina! Interest rates are 1.95 % for a 30-year fixed mortgage. The housing market is the strongest it has been in decades and homes continue to appreciate at an unbelievable rate and are selling very well.

"The stock market closed over 31,000+ even though we have been fighting COVID for more than 11 months. Our GDP growth for the 3rd Quarter was a whopping 33.1 %. We had the best economy <u>ever</u> prior to COVID-19, and it is recovering well. Unemployment sits at 6.7% in spite of COVID-19.

"We have not had any new wars or conflicts in the last 4 years. North Korea is at peace and has not been testing any missiles. ISIS has not been heard from in the world for more than 3 years. – And let's not forget that Peace Negotiations in the Middle East on behalf of Israel were recently signed by 4 Arab countries, which is an unprecedented achievement!

"JOSEPH BIDEN is now our POTUS! – Let's see how fast all of this changes."

Commentary by April Dobbs, edited by Susan A. Schnetz.

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