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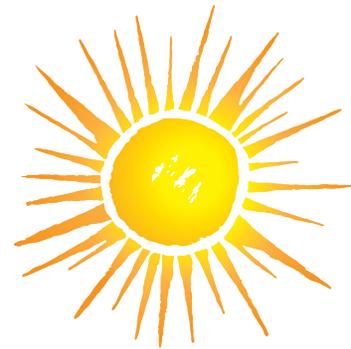
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Sister Simone Campbell leads a Town Hall meeting in Topeka, KS  
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# Acting Out of Love and Listening

## *A Radical Response for Our Troubled Times*

BY SISTER SIMONE CAMPBELL

I have been challenged by the new Trump administration to find the right place for NETWORK in our effort to create an economy of inclusion. Part of me wants to resist every move, every nomination, every tweet, every lie, and every outrageous utterance. But I know that such absolute resistance, such “fighting against,” will reinforce the very behavior that I am resisting. It will lead to hate countering hate, and it won't work. What is called for is something new.

Both before and after the election, I talked with some ardent Trump supporters to try to understand them. What I have come to see is that for many, if not most, their support for Mr. Trump comes from the fact that they feel betrayed by politicians and frightened for their children. They feel they have “worked hard and played by the rules” but not gotten ahead. They are struggling just as their parents did, or maybe things are even a little harder for them. Beneath their disappointment, I have come to see that there is shame for them in not living up to their expectations.

This shame leads to anger directed at “business as usual.” They don't care that Mr. Trump lacks any political experience. In fact, they like that because they feel betrayed by politicians. What they are not seeing is that it is conservative economic policies of “trickle-down” economics that are the heart of our ever growing income and wealth disparity.

Some of these shamed and angry voters have supported these policies for years, but do not understand that they privilege the top economic brackets and actually hurt everyone else. I am tempted at times to just “shake them” to try to get them to wake up to the consequences of their choices.

We are challenged by the Gospel, however, to do this work differently. We are challenged to fight for a vision of who we are called to be in our nation and our world. To create this vision we need to enter into a contemplative space where we let our guard down and listen to the Spirit (or what I call the wee small voice within) and then act out of that centered space.

This deep listening is risky business because it often calls on each of us to change in some way. It isn't just about how “they” need to change. We need to say to ourselves that it is okay to be nervous about silence and listening, but we can't let our reticence stop us. It is this very deep contemplation that is desperately needed in our nation right now.

I've discovered that this deep listening leaves me open to hear the stories of others grasp the reality around me in new ways, for example, my story of listening to Trump voters. It also allowed me to understand what Thomasina in Indianapolis meant when she told me she wasn't going to vote because she didn't want to hurt our country. She didn't know how to choose when all she heard was negativity about both candidates and thought her only ethical choice was not voting



at all! Deep listening lets me take in another's experience and understand it in a new way. It is the first building block of community that we are in dire need of in our nation.

So in my worry and terror about the policies that we are going to be advocating against over the next four years, I believe we are being called to a new level of engagement and action. Only love can cast out hate. We need to listen deeply and then act in love. Hard as it will be, we are called to take a radical step into the deep listening that can reveal the new. It feels like groping in the dark in very challenging times, but my experience over and over is that we are not left orphans. The words are given when they are needed. Community is nourished in this very struggle. We learned from the Vatican censure that despite pain and fear, staying faithful to our mission allows the Spirit to make something new...like a Bus.

Let us begin to advocate strongly together, but also begin a time of “deep listening.” Let us share with each other what we hear. Then we are prepared to lift up a vision of the 100% where all can work together to heal our nation. For such a challenging time we have been called. Let us respond as the prophet did: *Speak O Holy One, your servants are listening.* ☀️

## Notable Quotables

What justice-seekers have been saying this quarter

“Rooted in Gospel values we stand on firm ground and speak out of our moral authority.”

Sister Nancy Sylvester, IHM, writing in the wake of the November election

“Thank you for doing so much to lift up communities that need you @NETWORKLobby!”

Tweet from Cecilia Munoz, Director of White House Domestic Policy Council (@Cecilia44)

“You are the Church. I will walk with you no matter how hard it gets. I am here to accompany you.”

Bishop Stephen Blaire, in a statement of support for immigrants on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

“Mercy is the best antidote against fear.”

Pope Francis addressing the World Meeting of Popular Movements at the Vatican

“We need to weep together, but we also need to find the courage to face the deeper truth together”

Sister Simone Campbell, “America Must Allow Its Heart to Break Before It Can Heal” published at BillMoyers.com

“Equal pay isn’t just about fairness and justice for women in the workforce — it’s about justice for their families, too.”

Tweet from Senator-elect Kamala Harris (D-CA), (@KamalaHarris)

“Now, more than ever, it is time to embrace Sister-Spirit and relentlessly pursue a world where love, justice, and inclusivity overcome hate, fear, and discrimination.”

Emma Tacke, NETWORK Grassroots Mobilization Associate, on the importance of Sister-Spirit

“Healthcare is a human right! It’s crucial that we all work to #ProtectOurCare.”

Tweet from Meg Olson, NETWORK Grassroots Organizer (@MEGaStL)

“This is an opportunity to build our communities from the ground up — where our #diversity and #inclusion is our strength.”

Tweet from Rep. Donna Edwards (D-MD), (@repdonnaedwards)

“Catholics must continue to raise questions with respect to the nature of political life and the kind of leaders that best align with our faith values.”

Miguel Diaz, former U.S. Ambassador to the Holy See, “Why Catholics should question, resist Trump administration”

“The worst outcome is to repeal the legal status that these kids have. Whether you agree with them having it or not, they’ve come out of the shadows.”

Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC), introducing legislation to maintain DACA protections for young adults who are undocumented

“Our responsibility as Christians is to defend the rights and dignity of those who are most vulnerable and powerless in our society, and it’s not okay to be quiet.”

Sister Norma Pimentel, MJ, during the Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice



# OUR COMMITMENT

## to **Mending the Gaps** *Continues*

*The Future Calls for Faithful Advocacy*

**W**e believe that we are stronger as a nation when we take decisive steps to create a just economy and a more inclusive society. As Pope Francis wrote, we must say “no to an economy of exclusion.” We can and we must work to mend the income and wealth gap in our society and build an economy based on true opportunity for all.

### Poverty in the United States

In rural, urban, and increasingly in suburban communities, poverty occurs when people do not have access to jobs that pay a living wage, allowing them to secure basic necessities like food, housing, and medical care. Safety net programs like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and working family tax credits are impactful in lifting families and individuals out of poverty, but we must invest in job creation to truly mend the gap. The country has made progress since the Great Recession to cut poverty rates, but there is more to do to build healthy communities.

Much has been written about the sizeable challenges of urban poverty, but it should also be noted that rural communities face challenges fighting poverty, given their remote locations. Rural communities have smaller and less diverse job markets

and lack the human capital and services found in more populated areas. They are less likely to be close to higher education institutions and less likely to have access to critical services such as healthcare, childcare and elder care.

According to the 2014 American Community Survey, the poverty rate among rural-dwelling Americans is 3% higher than it is among urban-dwellers. In the South, the poorest region of the country, the rural-urban discrepancy is greatest—around 8% higher in rural areas than metro areas. NETWORK commits to working for policies that are effective in lifting families and individuals out of poverty across the nation.

### Centering Communities of Color and Women

Since the founding of our nation, the United States has allowed prejudice and discrimination against people on the basis of race. Over time, racist ideology was codified into laws, policies, practices, institutions, and economic strategies that have systematically advantaged white people and disadvantaged people of color. The ideology of white supremacy and privilege was at the heart of our nascent democracy and is still the organizing principle underlying our society today.

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Systematic racism continues to permeate our American existence, so much so that we are often unaware of the myriad of ways it impacts life in the U.S. Although legal discrimination was outlawed, public policies and economic strategies continue to perpetuate disparate treatment of communities of color. On nearly every measure, African-American and Latino Americans, in particular, experience discrepancies in opportunities for success. This has created nearly insurmountable systemic obstacles and widening gaps in equal access to the full benefits of life in our democracy. Public policies and budget appropriations in areas such as education, employment, housing, tax policy, healthcare, criminal justice, food security, and transportation have produced conditions for long-term disadvantage. These same public policies and budget appropriations, however, have the power to create a correction course and bring justice and equality in our society.

Historically, communities of color have also been denied equal access to the resources and opportunities needed to build wealth. Many of these forms of discrimination persist today and contribute to a widening racial wealth gap. This specifically includes: discriminatory lending practices, consistently lower wages, inadequate public education and training opportunities, lack of access to capital and entrepreneurial resources, lack of inherited wealth, neighborhood and housing segregation, and tax code subsidies that favor higher income brackets. For this reason, We the People must demand that our leaders work to mend this gap.

It is no coincidence that in the 2014 Census data the high incidence of poverty in communities of color directly reflected low incomes. This is a moral issue. Rural Black and Afri-

can-Americans had the highest incidence of poverty in 2014, at 36.9%, while rural American Indians and Alaskan natives had the second highest rate, 33%, and rural Hispanic Americans had the third highest rate at 27.5%. The poverty rate for rural white Americans, while significant, was 15.5%.\*

Women are also more likely to be pushed into poverty than men. Year after year, data shows that men, on average, earn more than women — and women are more likely to be living in poverty. The racial income gap, also, affects women. Women of color are at most risk of poverty with 23% of Black women, 22.7% of Native American women, 20.9% of Hispanic women experiencing poverty compared to 7.1 % of white women.

There are multiple reasons for the gender wage gap ranging from outright discrimination to the segregation of women into lower-paying fields. One key factor is the fact that women are often still the primary caregivers for their families, whether a child, parent, or another family member. More than one in three single mother families are living in poverty working in minimum wage jobs without basic job supports like paid sick days, paid family leave or flexible schedules that allow working moms to thrive at home and at work.

We can and we must do better.

NETWORK pledges to continue working to mend the fabric of our society by advocating for policies that create an economy that works for everyone, grow community that nurtures and protects our most vulnerable members, and build a future that harnesses the ingenuity and talent of all. ☀️

\* [https://www.ers.usda.gov/topics/rural-economy-population/rural-poverty-well-being/poverty-demographics/]



To view NETWORK's current policy recommendations for the Trump administration and the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress visit: [www.networklobby.org/PolicyRecommendations](http://www.networklobby.org/PolicyRecommendations)

# 2016

## Gridlock in Washington and Noise on the Campaign Trail

2016 was not a productive year for Congress. While there were a few moments of bipartisan cooperation to pass legislation, much of Congress's work created messages for the campaign trail instead of solving problems. In fact, members of Congress spent almost all of the summer and fall out on the campaign trail, only returning to Washington for a few days after the election to pass a bill continuing to fund the government at 2016 levels until April 28, 2017. Thus, Congress failed a basic task: passing an annual budget for the upcoming year. This sets up a budget fight in early 2017 that stands to impact important social safety net programs.

Our efforts to *Mend the Gaps* continued in 2016. NETWORK staff in Washington and advocates teams in key states met with Republican and Democratic members of Congress, their staffs, and officials in the Obama administration. In these meetings, we lifted up the need to pass legislation that supports childhood nutrition programs, equitable housing policies, fair trade policy, just tax policy, welcoming immigration and refugee policies, and more. While there was little progress on our main issues in the form of legislation, relationships made it possible to stop Congress from passing bills that would undermine key protections for those living at or near the margins, including numerous bills especially harmful to immigrant and refugee families.

### Legislative Achievements in 2016

*Housing:* Early in this session, Congress passed a modest housing bill which streamlined procedures for public housing, allowing verification of eligibility through multiple means and creating greater access to housing for families. The bill was supported by an unlikely group of allies including: public housing advocates, faith groups including NETWORK, the real estate and homebuilding industries, and both progressive and conservative think tanks. The bill passed 427 to 0 in the House and by unanimous consent in the Senate. In a year of deep partisan divide, it was an incredible result.

*Trade:* Another success in 2016 was the effort to stop the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP). NETWORK worked with faith partners, labor activists, environmentalists, and public citizen groups to build pressure to halt its passage. TPP was an im-

portant issue for the faith community because of the impact it would have on marginalized communities in the United States and around the world. Because of the work of advocates, by the time Congress returned after the election in November, it was clear that the trade agreement would not be approved.

*Healthcare:* NETWORK and allies worked to ensure that Congress provided money for the lead-tainted drinking water system in Flint, Michigan. After a year-long campaign, Congress finally allocated \$170 million for Flint in December.

### Disappointments in 2016

*Immigrants and Refugees:* With faith partners and immigration and refugee reform groups, we spent significant time in 2016 fighting bills that would have devastated immigrant and refugee communities in the United States. Vitriolic anti-immigrant and anti-refugee rhetoric fueled the campaign trail as presidential and Congressional candidates engaged in fear-mongering about these communities and scapegoated them for political gain. Faith partners and allies worked successfully to defeat one bad bill after another including, but not limited to, bills that would defund sanctuary cities or severely restrict refugee resettlement.

*Food Security:* At the beginning of 2016 it looked possible that Congress would reauthorize a bill to increase funding for childhood nutrition programs. The Senate was ready to pass a strong bill to ensure that nutritious food is available in schools and to expand food services in the summer. The effort failed, however, after the House Committee on Education and the Workforce passed a bill that would have cut food programs to schools and introduced dramatic changes to the structure of food programs.

*Criminal Justice:* Efforts to reform the federal criminal justice system made significant headway this session. The campaign to pass the Sentencing Reform and Corrections Act of 2015 — common sense sentencing and prison reform measures — was supported by a strong bipartisan group of Senators and Representatives. The bill made it out of the Senate Judiciary Committee but stalled in the House to the great disappointment of allies pushing for the reform. The bill was supported by an unlikely partnership between the faith community, civil rights organizations, and conservative activists.

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## Administrative Actions that Support Mending the Gaps

Given the limited ability to pass positive legislation in Congress on Mend the Gap issues, we spent significant time calling on the Obama administration to take executive action to protect vulnerable workers and their families, such as:

**Tax Justice:** The U.S. Department of Treasury finalized new rules to make it harder for large, U.S. based multinational companies to avoid paying their fair share of taxes. One of these rules makes it more difficult for an U.S. company to engage in a practice called inversion whereby the company claims to become a foreign company without significantly changing their operations in order to shield their income from taxation. The other rule limits companies from reducing taxable profits by shifting them offshore to low-tax countries.

**Wages:** The Department of Labor introduced new overtime regulations which would have automatically extended overtime pay protections to over 4 million workers in the U.S. The regulation was a considerable step forward on mending the wage gap. After the rule was finalized, opponents immediately sued the DOL and, as a result, the rule has not been implemented. The case is moving through the courts, but given the election of President-elect Trump, it is likely that the incoming administration will quickly move to undo the regulation.

The Department of Labor also took steps to protect consumers from unscrupulous investment advisors by finalizing strong rules to address conflicts of interests. As traditional employer-sponsored pensions become less available to employees, families and individuals are forced to rely more and more on private savings accounts. It is critical that investment brokers keep the interest of consumers first.

**Criminal Justice:** In January 2016, President Obama issued executive orders banning the use of solitary confinement for juveniles in federal prisons following a comprehensive study by the Department of Justice on the negative impact of these practices on children.

With the election of President-elect Trump and a Republican-led House and Senate, many of NETWORK's core issue areas will be challenged in the 115th Congress. We can continue to make progress or limit the damage to key government programs if we stay engaged and faithfully call on our elected officials to Mend the Gaps.

## Senate Voting Record 2016

### 1. American Security Against Foreign Enemies Act Vote #4 (H.R. 4038)

This bill would require Syrian and Iraqi refugees to undergo a background check to determine if they can be admitted into the United States. NETWORK opposed this bill because although background checks are necessary, it was an effort to indirectly ban refugees from Syria and Iraq by specifically naming those countries. *Rejected: 55-43, January 20, 2016*

### 2. Zika Virus Emergency Supplemental Appropriations • Vote #77 (H.R. 2577)

This bill would provide \$1.1 billion in funding to combat the Zika virus for the remainder of fiscal year 2016 and for fiscal year 2017. NETWORK supported this bill because it addressed a grave health concern affecting people with the Zika virus and tried to prevent it from spreading.

*Passed: 68-30, May 19, 2016*

### 3. National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 • Vote #98 (S. 2943)

NETWORK opposed this appropriations act because it violated the 2015 budget agreement guarantee of parity between defense and non-defense spending. This was a two year agreement for the FY2016 and the FY2017 budgets. It expires with this appropriation, meaning we cannot expect increases in defense spending to trigger an increase in spending for the needs of the people.

*Passed 85-13, June 14, 2016*

### 4. Stop Dangerous Sanctuary Cities Act Vote #119 (S. 3100)

This bill would make states and cities ineligible for certain federal grants if they place restrictions on sharing information about the immigration status of individuals with the federal government. NETWORK opposed this bill because it was an attempt to punish cities that decided to protect immigrants in their communities by prohibiting funds. *Rejected: 53-44, July 6, 2016*

### 5. Water Infrastructure Improvements Act for the Nation Act • Vote #163 (S. 612)

This bill authorizes nearly \$10 billion in federal investment to improve the nation's water infrastructure, with up to \$170 million allocated to address the Flint, MI water crisis. NETWORK supported this bill because safe drinking water is a human right. The people of Flint suffered too long from a lack of adequate housing, equitable infrastructure, and lead-free drinking water while the federal government was slow to provide relief.

*Passed 78-21, December 10, 2016*

114<sup>th</sup> CONGRESS  
SECOND SESSION

HOW THEY  
VOTED IN THE  
SENATE

Refugees Background  
Check Requirement Bill  
Funding to Combat  
Zika Virus  
Overseas Contingency  
Operations Funding  
Defunding  
Sanctuary Cities  
Assistance to  
Flint, Michigan

NETWORK position	1		2		3		4		5		%
	Nay	Yea									
<b>ALABAMA</b>											
Shelby (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Sessions, J. (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
<b>ALASKA</b>											
Murkowski (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	40%
Sullivan (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
<b>ARIZONA</b>											
McCain (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Flake (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
<b>ARKANSAS</b>											
Boozman (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	40%
Cotton (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	o	0%*
<b>CALIFORNIA</b>											
Feinstein (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Boxer (D)	+	+	o	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	75%*
<b>COLORADO</b>											
Bennet (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Gardner (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>											
Blumenthal (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Murphy, C. (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
<b>DELAWARE</b>											
Carper (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Coons (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
<b>FLORIDA</b>											
Nelson (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Rubio (R)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
<b>GEORGIA</b>											
Isakson (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	40%
Perdue (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
<b>HAWAII</b>											
Schatz (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Hirono (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	60%
<b>IDAHO</b>											
Crapo (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	40%
Risch (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
<b>ILLINOIS</b>											
Durbin (D)	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	60%
Kirk (R)	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	60%
<b>INDIANA</b>											
Coats (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	20%
Donnelly (D)	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	60%
<b>IOWA</b>											
Grassley (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	40%
Ernst (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
<b>KANSAS</b>											
Roberts (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	20%
Moran, Jerry (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
<b>KENTUCKY</b>											
McConnell (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	40%
Paul (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20%
<b>LOUISIANA</b>											
Vitter (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	40%
Cassidy (R)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
<b>MAINE</b>											
Collins (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	40%
King, A. (I)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
<b>MARYLAND</b>											
Mikulski (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Cardin (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
<b>MASSACHUSETTS</b>											
Warren (D)	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	80%
Markey (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
<b>MICHIGAN</b>											
Stabenow (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Peters, G. (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
<b>MINNESOTA</b>											
Klobuchar (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Franken (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
<b>MISSISSIPPI</b>											
Cochran (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	40%
Wicker (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	40%
<b>MISSOURI</b>											
McCaskill (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Blunt (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	40%

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Assistance to  
Flint, Michigan

NETWORK position	1		2		3		4		5		%
	Nay	Yea									
<b>MONTANA</b>											
Tester (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Daines (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
<b>NEBRASKA</b>											
Fischer (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	20%
Sasse (R)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	20%
<b>NEVADA</b>											
Reid, H. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	80%
Heller (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
<b>NEW HAMPSHIRE</b>											
Shaheen (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Yvette (R)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
<b>NEW JERSEY</b>											
Menendez (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Booker (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
<b>NEW MEXICO</b>											
Udall (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Heinrich (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
<b>NEW YORK</b>											
Schumer (D)	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	60%
Gillibrand (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>											
Burr (R)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
Tillis (R)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
<b>NORTH DAKOTA</b>											
Hoeven (R)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
Heitkamp (D)	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	60%
<b>OHIO</b>											
Brown, S. (D)	+	+	-	o	-	-	-	-	-	+	75%*
Portman (R)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
<b>OKLAHOMA</b>											
Inhofe (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
Lankford (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
<b>OREGON</b>											
Wyden (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	80%
Merkley (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>											
Casey (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Toomey (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
<b>RHODE ISLAND</b>											
Reed, J. (D)	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	60%
Whitehouse (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	60%
<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>											
Graham, L. (R)	o	+	-	o	-	-	-	-	-	+	67%*
Scott, T. (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
<b>SOUTH DAKOTA</b>											
Thune (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
Rounds (R)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
<b>TENNESSEE</b>											
Alexander (R)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
Corker (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
<b>TEXAS</b>											
Cornyn (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
Cruz (R)	-	o	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	50%*
<b>UTAH</b>											
Hatch (R)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
Lee, M. (R)	-	-	+	o	-	-	-	-	-	+	25%*
<b>VERMONT</b>											
Leahy (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Sanders (I)	o	o	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	50%*
<b>VIRGINIA</b>											
Warner (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Kaine (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
<b>WASHINGTON</b>											
Murray (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	60%
Cantwell (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	60%
<b>WEST VIRGINIA</b>											
Manchin (D)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
Capito (R)	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	40%
<b>WISCONSIN</b>											
Johnson, R. (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
Baldwin (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
<b>WYOMING</b>											
Enzi (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%
Barrasso (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	20%

# House Voting Record 2016

## 1. Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act Vote #52 (H.R. 3700)

NETWORK supported this bill, which would streamline procedures, allow verification of eligibility through multiple means, remove those who did not qualify for public assistance from properties, and allow deduction of reasonable child care expenses when calculating adjusted income.

*Passed: 427-0, February 2, 2016*

## 2. To Provide for Reconciliation Pursuant to Section 2002 of the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2016 • Vote #53 (H.R. 3762)

NETWORK opposed this bill which was intended to repeal key aspects of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and would have reversed the historic gains in coverage and access to affordable, quality healthcare that have been made in the past six years.

*Passed 241-186, February 2, 2016 (failed to override Presidential veto)*

## 3. Amicus Curiae United States, et al. v. Texas, et al. Vote #129 (H.R. 639)

NETWORK opposed this bill, which supported the case brought by 26 states against the Obama administration for its November 2014 executive actions: Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Deferred Action for Parents of Americans and Lawful Permanent Residents (DAPA)

*Passed: 234-186, March 17, 2016*

## 4. Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2017 Vote #332 (H.R. 5293)

NETWORK opposed this appropriations act because it violated the 2015 budget agreement guarantee of parity between defense and non-defense spending.

*Passed 282-138, June 16, 2016*

## 5. Fiscal 2017 Financial Services Appropriations – Sanctuary Cities • Vote #382 (Amdt. 1250 to H.R. 5485)

NETWORK opposed this bill, which would prohibit federal funds from being used to provide financial assistance to "sanctuary cities," U.S. cities with policies that shelter undocumented immigrants.

*Passed: 236-182, July 7, 2016*

## 6. Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2017 • Vote #398 (H.R. 5485)

NETWORK opposed this appropriations bill because it was loaded with ideological policy riders that would remove or weaken Wall Street oversight and consumer protection.

*Passed 239-185, July 7, 2016*

## 7. Supporting Youth Opportunity and Preventing Delinquency Act • Vote #552 (H.R. 5963)

NETWORK supported this bill which supports evidence-based practices and programs to address mental health, behavioral health and substance abuse treatment as well as family services for at-risk juveniles and children exposed to violence. It reduces the placement of youth in adult jails pre-trial and strengthens requirements to decrease racial and ethnic disparities in juvenile justice.

*Passed 382-29, September 22, 2016*

## 8. Water Resources Development Act H. Amdt. 1478 • Vote #570 (H.R. 5303)

NETWORK supported this amendment which authorized additional assistance for communities in need of improvements to public and private infrastructure, with \$220 million authorized for Flint, MI and other areas.

*Passed 284-141, September 28, 2016*

## 9. Regulatory Relief for Small Businesses, Schools, and Nonprofits Act • Vote #574 (H.R. 6094)

NETWORK opposed this bill, which would delay the implementation of a Labor Department overtime rules revision to raise the income threshold under which workers are automatically eligible for overtime.

*Passed: 246-177, September 28, 2016*

## 10. Systemic Risk Designation Improvement Act Vote #599 (H.R. 6392)

NETWORK opposed this bill because it enforced deregulation of large financial institutions by allowing financial institutions with assets greater than \$50 billion to avoid enhanced supervision.

*Passed: 254-161,  
December 1, 2016*

### House Changes during this Session

- Janice Hahn (D-CA-44), Resigned December 4, 2016
- Mark Takai (D-HI-1), Died July 20, 2016
- Colleen Hanabusa (D-HI-1), Elected November 14, 2016
- Ed Whitfield (R-KY-1), Resigned September 6, 2016
- James Comer (R-KY-1), Elected November 14, 2016
- Chaka Fattah (D-PA-2), Resigned June 23, 2016
- Dwight Evans (D-PA-2), Elected November 14, 2016

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NETWORK position	Housing Modernization										%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
<b>ALABAMA</b>											
1 Byrne (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 Roby (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
3 Rogers, Mike D. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
4 Aderholt (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
5 Brooks, M. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	20%
6 Palmer (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
7 Sewell (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
<b>ALASKA</b>											
1 Young, D. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
<b>ARIZONA</b>											
1 Kirkpatrick (D)	+	+	o	-	+	+	+	o	o	o	83%*
2 McCally (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
3 Grijalva (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	100%*
4 Gosar (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
5 Salmon (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	o	o	22%
6 Schweikert (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20%
7 Gallego, Ruben (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
8 Franks (R)	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
9 Sinema (D)	+	+	+	-	o	+	+	+	-	-	67%*
<b>ARKANSAS</b>											
1 Crawford (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
2 Hill (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	20%
3 Womack (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
4 Westerman (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
<b>CALIFORNIA</b>											
1 LaMalfa (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 Huffman (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 Garamendi (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
4 McClintock (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	10%
5 Thompson, M. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Matsui (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
7 Bera (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
8 Cook (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
9 McNerney (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 Denham (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
11 DeSaulnier (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
12 Pelosi (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	100%*
13 Lee, B. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
14 Speier (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
15 Swalwell (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
16 Costa (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
17 Honda (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
18 Eshoo (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
19 Lofgren (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
20 Farr (D)	+	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	100%*
21 Valadao (R)	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	40%
22 Nunes (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
23 McCarthy (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
24 Capps (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
25 Knight (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
26 Brownley (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
27 Chu (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
28 Schiff (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
29 Cardenas (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
30 Sherman (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
31 Aguilar (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
32 Napolitano (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
33 Lieu (D)	+	+	o	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	100%*
34 Becerra (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
35 Torres (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
36 Ruiz (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
37 Bass (D)	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%*

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<b>CALIFORNIA (CONTINUED)</b>											
38 Sanchez, Linda (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
39 Royce (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
40 Roybal-Allard (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
41 Takano (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
42 Calvert (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	30%
43 Waters (D)	+	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	100%*
44 Hahn (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	100%*
45 Walters (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	o	+	-	-	22%*
46 Sanchez, Loretta (D)	+	+	o	-	+	+	o	o	+	+	86%*
47 Lowenthal (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
48 Rohrabacher (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
49 Issa (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
50 Hunter (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
51 Vargas (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
52 Peters, S. (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
53 Davis, S. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
<b>COLORADO</b>											
1 DeGette (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Polis (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 Tipton (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Buck (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
5 Lamborn (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
6 Coffman (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
7 Perlmutter (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>											
1 Larson, J. (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
2 Courtney (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
3 DeLauro (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 Himes (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
5 Esty (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
<b>DELAWARE</b>											
1 Carney (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	100%*
<b>DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA</b>											
1 Norton (D)											0%*
<b>FLORIDA</b>											
1 Miller, J. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 Graham, G. (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
3 Yoho (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Crenshaw (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
5 Brown, C. (D)	+	+	+	o	o	o	o	+	+	o	100%*
6 DeSantis (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
7 Mica (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
8 Posey (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
9 Grayson (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 Webster (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
11 Nugent (R)	+	-	-	-	o	o	+	+	-	o	43%*
12 Bilirakis (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
13 Jolly (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	o	33%*
14 Castor (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
15 Ross (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
16 Buchanan (R)	+	-	o	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	33%*
17 Rooney (R)	+	-	-	-	o	-	o	+	-	-	25%*
18 Murphy, P. (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
19 Clawson (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
20 Hastings (D)	+	+	+	+	o	o	+	+	+	+	100%*
21 Deutch (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
22 Frankel (D)	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%*
23 Wasserman Schultz (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
24 Wilson, F. (D)	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%*
25 Diaz-Balart (R)	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	50%
26 Curbelo (R)	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	50%
27 Ros-Lehtinen (R)	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	50%

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NETWORK position	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	%
	Yes	Nay	Nay	Nay	Nay	Nay	Yes	Yes	Nay	Nay	

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NETWORK position	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	%
	Yes	Nay	Nay	Nay	Nay	Nay	Yes	Yes	Nay	Nay	

GEORGIA

1 Carter, E.L. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 Bishop, S. (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	80%
3 Westmoreland, L. (R)	o	o	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	o	0%*
4 Johnson, H. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 Lewis (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Price, T. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
7 Woodall (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
8 Scott, A. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
9 Collins, D. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
10 Hice (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
11 Loudermilk (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
12 Allen (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
13 Scott, D. (D)	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	-	89%*
14 Graves, T. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%

HAWAII

1 Hanabusa (D)										+	100%*
1 Takai (D)	+	+	+	o	o	o					100%*
2 Gabbard (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%

IDAHO

1 Labrador (R)	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	20%
2 Simpson (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	30%

ILLINOIS

1 Rush (D)	+	+	o	+	+	+	o	o	o	+	100%*
2 Kelly, R. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	100%*
3 Lipinski (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	70%
4 Gutierrez (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 Quigley (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Roskam (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	30%
7 Davis, D. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
8 Duckworth (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
9 Schakowsky (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 Dold (R)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	60%
11 Foster (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
12 Bost (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
13 Davis, R. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
14 Hultgren (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
15 Shimkus (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
16 Kinzinger (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
17 Bustos (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
18 LaHood (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%

INDIANA

1 Visclosky (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Walorski (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
3 Stutzman (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Rokita (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
5 Brooks, S. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
6 Messer (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
7 Carson (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
8 Bucshon (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
9 Young, T. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	30%

IOWA

1 Blum (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 Loebsack (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 Young, D. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
4 King, S. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	30%

KANSAS

1 Huelskamp (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
2 Jenkins, L. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
3 Yoder (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Pompeo (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%

KENTUCKY

1 Comer (R)										-	0%*
1 Whitfield (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-					17%*
2 Guthrie (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
3 Yarmuth (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 Massie (R)	o	o	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	25%*
5 Rogers, H. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
6 Barr (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%

LOUISIANA

1 Scalise (R)	+	-	o	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	33%*
2 Richmond (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 Boustany (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
4 Fleming (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
5 Abraham (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
6 Graves, G. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%

MAINE

1 Pingree (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
2 Poliquin (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	30%

MARYLAND

1 Harris (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
2 Ruppersberger (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	o	+	+	+	89%*
3 Sarbanes (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 Edwards (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 Hoyer (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Delaney (D)	+	+	+	-	o	o	+	+	+	-	75%*
7 Cummings (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
8 Van Hollen (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%

MASSACHUSETTS

1 Neal (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 McGovern (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 Tsongas (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 Kennedy (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 Clark, K. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Moulton (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
7 Capuano (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
8 Lynch (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
9 Keating (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%

MICHIGAN

1 Benishkek (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
2 Huizenga (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
3 Amash (R)	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	o	-	-	33%*
4 Moolenaar (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
5 Kildee (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Upton (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
7 Walberg (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
8 Bishop, M. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
9 Levin (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 Miller, C. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
11 Trott (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
12 Dingell (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
13 Conyers (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
14 Lawrence (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%

MINNESOTA

1 Walz (D)	+	+	+	-	o	+	+	+	+	+	89%*
2 Kline, J. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
3 Paulsen (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
4 McCollum (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 Ellison (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Emmer (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	20%
7 Peterson (D)	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	50%
8 Nolan (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%

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<i>NETWORK position</i>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	%
<b>MISSISSIPPI</b>											
1 Kelly, (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 Thompson, B. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 Harper (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Palazzo (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
<b>MISSOURI</b>											
1 Clay (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
2 Wagner (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
3 Luetkemeyer (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Hartzler (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
5 Cleaver (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Graves, S. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
7 Long (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
8 Smith, J. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
<b>MONTANA</b>											
1 Zinke (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
<b>NEBRASKA</b>											
1 Fortenberry (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
2 Ashford (D)	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	60%
3 Smith, Adrian (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
<b>NEVADA</b>											
1 Titus (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Amodei (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
3 Heck, J. (R)	+	-	-	o	-	-	+	+	-	-	33%*
4 Hardy (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
<b>NEW HAMPSHIRE</b>											
1 Guinta (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
2 Kuster (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
<b>NEW JERSEY</b>											
1 Norcross (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 LoBiondo (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
3 MacArthur (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
4 Smith, C. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
5 Garrett (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	o	-	22%*
6 Pallone (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
7 Lance (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
8 Sires (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
9 Pascrell (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 Payne (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	-	89%*
11 Frelinghuysen (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
12 Watson Coleman (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
<b>NEW MEXICO</b>											
1 Lujan Grisham, M. (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
2 Pearce (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
3 Lujan, B. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
<b>NEW YORK</b>											
1 Zeldin (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 King, P. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
3 Israel (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 Rice, K. (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
5 Meeks (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
6 Meng (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
7 Velazquez (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
8 Jeffries (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
9 Clarke, Y. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 Nadler (D)	+	+	+	+	o	o	+	+	+	+	100%*
11 Donovan (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
12 Maloney, C. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
13 Rangel (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
14 Crowley (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
15 Serrano (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%

Key to votes:

Voted with NETWORK +  
Voted against NETWORK -  
Did not vote o  
Inactive/not in office |

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<i>NETWORK position</i>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	%
<b>NEW YORK (CONTINUED)</b>											
16 Engel (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
17 Lowey (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
18 Maloney, S. (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
19 Gibson, C. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
20 Tonko (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
21 Stefanik (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
22 Hanna (R)	+	+	+	o	-	-	+	+	o	-	63%*
23 Reed, T. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
24 Katko (R)	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	40%
25 Slaughter (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
26 Higgins (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
27 Collins, C. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	20%
<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>											
1 Butterfield (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Ellmers (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
3 Jones (R)	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	o	33%*
4 Price, D. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%*
5 Foxx (R)	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	20%
6 Walker (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
7 Rouzer (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
8 Hudson (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
9 Pittenger (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
10 McHenry (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
11 Meadows (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	20%
12 Adams (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
13 Holding (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
<b>NORTH DAKOTA</b>											
1 Cramer (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	o	-	33%*
<b>OHIO</b>											
1 Chabot (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 Wenstrup (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
3 Beatty (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
4 Jordan (R)	+	-	o	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11%*
5 Latta (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
6 Johnson, B. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
7 Gibbs, B. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
8 Davidson (R)				-	-	-	+	-	-	-	14%*
9 Kaptur (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 Turner (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
11 Fudge (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
12 Tiberi (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
13 Ryan, T. (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
14 Joyce (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	o	+	-	-	22%*
15 Stivers (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
16 Renacci (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
<b>OKLAHOMA</b>											
1 Bridenstine (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
2 Mullin (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
3 Lucas (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Cole (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
5 Russell (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
<b>OREGON</b>											
1 Bonamici (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Walden (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
3 Blumenauer (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 DeFazio (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 Schrader (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>											
1 Brady, R. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Evans (D)											100%*

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<b>PENNSYLVANIA (CONTINUED)</b>											
2 Fattah (D)	o	o	+	o	l	l	l	l	l	l	100%*
3 Kelly (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Perry (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
5 Thompson, G. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
6 Costello (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
7 Meehan (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
8 Fitzpatrick (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
9 Shuster (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
10 Marino (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
11 Barletta (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
12 Rothfus (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	20%
13 Boyle (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
14 Doyle (D)	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%*
15 Dent (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
16 Pitts (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
17 Cartwright (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%*
18 Murphy, T. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
<b>RHODE ISLAND</b>											
1 Cicilline (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Langevin (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>											
1 Sanford (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
2 Wilson, J. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
3 Duncan, Jeff (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Gowdy (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
5 Mulvaney (R)	+	-	-	+	-	-	o	-	-	-	22%*
6 Clyburn (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
7 Rice, T. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
<b>SOUTH DAKOTA</b>											
1 Noem (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
<b>TENNESSEE</b>											
1 Roe (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 Duncan, John (R)	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	20%
3 Fleischmann (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
4 DesJarlais (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
5 Cooper (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
6 Black, D. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
7 Blackburn, M. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
8 Fincher (R)	+	-	o	o	-	-	o	-	-	o	17%*
9 Cohen (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
<b>TEXAS</b>											
1 Gohmert (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
2 Poe (R)	+	-	-	-	-	o	o	o	o	o	20%*
3 Johnson, S. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Ratcliffe (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
5 Hensarling (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
6 Barton (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
7 Culberson (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
8 Brady, K. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
9 Green, A. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 McCaul (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
11 Conaway (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
12 Granger (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
13 Thornberry (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
14 Weber (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
15 Hinojosa (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
16 O'Rourke (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
17 Flores (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	o	22%*
18 Jackson Lee (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
19 Neugebauer (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
20 Castro (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%

Key to votes:

Voted with NETWORK +  
 Voted against NETWORK -  
 Did not vote o  
 Inactive/not in office |

NETWORK position	Key to votes:										%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
	Housing Modernization	Override President on Healthcare	Oppose Deferred Action	OCO Funding	Defunding of Sanctuary Cities	Weaken Oversight by CFPB	Preventing Youth Delinquency	Assistance to Flint, Michigan	Postpone Overtime Pay Rule	Weaken Dodd-Frank Regulation	
<b>TEXAS (CONTINUED)</b>											
21 Smith, Lamar (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
22 Olson (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
23 Hurd (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
24 Marchant (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	10%
25 Williams (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
26 Burgess (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	10%
27 Farenthold (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	10%
28 Cuellar (D)	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	50%
29 Green, G. (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
30 Johnson, E. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
31 Carter, J. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	o	-	22%*
32 Sessions, P. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
33 Veasey (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
34 Vela (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	o	78%*
35 Doggett (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
36 Babin (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	10%
<b>UTAH</b>											
1 Bishop, R. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 Stewart (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
3 Chaffetz (R)	+	-	o	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11%*
4 Love (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	30%
<b>VERMONT</b>											
1 Welch (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
<b>VIRGINIA</b>											
1 Wittman (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
2 Rigell (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	o	+	-	-	22%*
3 Scott, R. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 Forbes (R)	+	-	-	o	-	-	+	-	-	o	25%*
5 Hurt (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
6 Goodlatte (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
7 Brat (R)	+	-	-	o	o	-	-	-	-	-	13%*
8 Beyer (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	100%*
9 Griffith (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
10 Comstock (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	30%
11 Connolly (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
<b>WASHINGTON</b>											
1 DelBene (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Larsen, R. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 Herrera Beutler (R)	+	-	-	o	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%*
4 Newhouse (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
5 McMorris Rodgers (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
6 Kilmer (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
7 McDermott (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
8 Reichert (R)	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	40%
9 Smith, Adam (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 Heck, D. (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
<b>WEST VIRGINIA</b>											
1 McKinley (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 Mooney (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
3 Jenkins, E. (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
<b>WISCONSIN</b>											
1 Ryan, P. (R)	o	o	-	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	0%*
2 Pocan (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 Kind (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 Moore (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 Sensenbrenner (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
6 Grothman (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
7 Duffy (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
8 Ribble (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	o	-	-	22%*
<b>WYOMING</b>											
1 Lummis (R)	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%

\*Percentage with asterisk (\*) signifies that legislator did not vote on all relevant bills

# Standing Together to Meet the Challenges Ahead

BY U.S. REPRESENTATIVE LUIS V. GUTIÉRREZ

**T**here is no doubt that this is going to be a difficult year for America. Immigrants, women, people of color, Muslims, environmentalists, the LGBT community — there are many groups firmly in the crosshairs of the new Administration and the new Congress. Though only supported by a minority of American voters, the new President, Donald Trump, will not be shy in taking action to enhance his brand. We do not yet know the specifics, and it is clear that his opinions change about as quickly as you can hit refresh on your Twitter feed. But Trump’s lieutenants are the most clearly ideological and dangerous set of leaders ever assembled in American government on immigration and any number of issues we may care about. There is a vindictiveness coming to government the likes of which we have never seen, and there is reason to prepare for the worst.

Immigrants and immigration were important campaign themes — or I should say, slandering immigrants and immigration were. The irony is that support for sensible immigration reform actually increased and support for mass deportation decreased during the year and a half that Trump campaigned for the White House. Across numerous polls, roughly 80% of the American people favor letting undocumented immigrants stay in this country and about 60% among Trump supporters. But that is not likely to translate into any sensible policies coming out of Washington. We expect to see the same recycled, deportation-only bills come through the House Judiciary Committee, but the difference will be that we no longer have a reliable Senate or White House backstop to contain self-destructive immigration ideas.

Their game plan is simple: make legal immigration harder for everyone — and impossible for most people — and then rail against the resulting illegalities, decry the black market, label everyone as criminals, and use good old fashioned fear of “the other” to marginalize immigrants. The goals will be to demonstrate that Republicans are being tough, cruel, and unsympathetic to immigrants — especially undocumented immigrants — and tough on Mexico and Muslims in particular.

That Trump and Congress are being driven by such ideological extremes will be the downfall of their agenda. Americans favor legal immigration and are rightly concerned about uncontrolled and illegal immigration, but those driving the issue in the Republican Party are opposed to immigration, period. They want fewer people — especially fewer people of color — in



Rep. Gutiérrez (IL-04) speaks in front of the Capitol Building

“their” country. Most Americans, however, do not think a wall will actually work as an immigration control strategy and they sense that immigration is broader and deeper than the physical border to the South.

So, supporters of immigration and immigration reform need to stick to our principals and keep fighting for our vision of a modern, 21<sup>st</sup> century immigration system because our vision is what the American people actually want. We have to do a better job of communicating that immigration reform is about more than being kind or respectful to immigrants. In the transactional world of American politics, doing something “for” one group is often perceived as doing something “against” everyone else, which is simply not the case with immigration.

And we must support our allies who will also be targeted by the Republican agenda, be that women’s health care, LGBT rights, people of color claiming their rightful place in America, or a business-driven assault on working people and mother earth. We must join arms with clergy and labor, progressives, and moderates so that when Republicans try to come after one of us, they will have to come through all of us. If the new President comes for the Muslims, I will be a Muslim. If they come for women’s rights, I will stand with women. When they deny climate science, I will make my voice heard. We must heed the warning Benjamin Franklin made to his fellow signers of the Declaration of Independence: “We must, indeed, all hang together or, most assuredly, we shall all hang separately.”



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