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**Dear Patriot,**

For no particular reason, we spend some time today appreciating our country.

Read more on...

- America's greatest legacy.
- how Trump plans for the future.
- a big win in court for removing illegals.
- when you need a job done, send in the marines.



**1-** It is good to remember and read about how we were forged as a nation. It does get written much these days.

Read the entire piece at the link.

## John J. Waters and Adam Ellwanger at RealClearPolitics

### **The American Manifesto**

**QUOTE:** America's story is true myth.

For 250 years, we have attacked the earth, sky, sea, and space, not to conquer or control but to improve the conditions of human life. We blazed trails and broke the plains. We were first in flight and first to the Moon. We were first to electrify our cities, which powered our mighty industries. And on the evening of July 5, 1954, during a recording session at Sun Studio in Memphis, Tennessee, we were first to play rock and roll. As John Lennon said: "Before Elvis, there was nothing."

The essential nature of America is discovery, and our greatest discovery is freedom. We are the first and only nation founded on the natural rights of man. Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are the reason our country exists. Where Old-World governments constrained the energy of human life, our Declaration of Independence and Constitution unleashed that energy across a Great American Desert. Our myth is not rooted in the soil of Athens, Rome, or Jerusalem, but in the spirit of exiles, tramps, and risk-takers who fled those ancient cities for the New World. They transformed this rock into a pool of water.

The taproot of our triumph is a belief that something great will be achieved. The men who signed the Declaration of Independence gambled their lives and sacred honor on their belief that human beings possess natural rights, that government exists only by consent to secure those rights, that Britain had violated this trust, and that independence was necessary. Our Founding Fathers turned abstract principles into concrete action. When they signed that famous piece of paper, they might have been signing their own death warrants. They took an irreversible risk – and won.

Since July 4, 1776, belief in America has emboldened the spirit of our people. It galvanized the scientists and engineers who worked on the Manhattan Project, the Marines who stormed the beaches of Iwo Jima and raised the American flag Mount Suribachi. Belief in our exceptionalism – the idea that America itself is the pinnacle of human achievement – has given courage to generations of heroes in their battles against drought, disease, depression, and totalitarian regimes.



**2-** One of the many aspects of President Trump we have long admired is that, politically, he is long-term thinker.

For most of our lives we have had politicians who only plan slightly past the next election. This leaves us in a cycle where there is not much forward progress.

But Trump has the ability to think long-range. He doesn't talk about this much. He could not campaign on it and explicitly tell us he would offer every child a savings account and make it affordable to obtain fertility care. He just surprised us with those programs last week.

The benefits of both will not be felt for many years. What they lead to are more babies who will have a nest egg when they start adulthood. It is the win-win of public policy.

Now, we may quibble over Trump's propensity to name things after himself. But, isn't it fun to think that for decades the left will be aggravated about Trump... long after he is gone?

Every time a new baby is born because of TrumpRX or an 18 year old cashes out the Trump Accounts, the left will gnash their teeth. That's a good thing.

**NOTE:** We know the practice of IVF is controversial. That is a topic to debate another time.

## **Julio Rivera**

### **Trump Looks on to the Next Generation**

**QUOTE:** President Trump has always understood a truth that much of Washington either ignores or refuses to confront. Nations do not endure on rhetoric alone. They endure because they raise strong families, cultivate capable citizens, and think beyond the next election cycle.

The twin initiatives announced recently, Trump Accounts and TrumpRx, should be understood through that lens. Together, they represent a domestic strategy aimed not merely at governing the present moment, but at securing the future of the country itself.

The launch of Trump Accounts is a striking example of this thinking. Every American child born between January 1, 2025 and December 31, 2028 will receive a one-thousand-dollar government-seeded account designed to grow alongside them from birth. This is not a handout and it is not a replacement for work, discipline, parental responsibility. It is a foundation. It is a clear signal that the nation has a vested interest in the financial literacy, long-term security, and upward mobility of its youngest citizens.

At a time when many young Americans feel economically boxed out before they even reach adulthood, Trump Accounts are a declaration that the system should reward those willing to build, save, and contribute. This is not a European-style welfare promise. It is American capitalization in its purest form, empowering

individuals early, encouraging ownership, and reinforcing the idea that prosperity is something cultivated over time rather than redistributed after the fact.

But a nation cannot sustain itself through financial tools alone. A country that cannot grow its own people cannot long defend its culture, its economy, or its sovereignty. That is where the second announcement matters just as much.

On Thursday, the administration officially launched TrumpRx, an initiative designed to lower costs and expand access to critical medical therapies through direct-to-consumer pathways. While much of the media attention has gravitated toward fashionable weight-loss drugs, the more serious and lasting story lies elsewhere, fertility, family formation, and the future size of the American population.

IVF has long been an option only for the wealthy or the desperate, willing to mortgage their future for the chance to start a family. By breaking down pricing barriers and introducing transparency, this policy acknowledges a simple reality. Many Americans want children but are prevented from having them by cost structures that have nothing to do with morality, effort, or commitment.

Addressing declining birth rates is not a cultural luxury. It is a strategic necessity. A shrinking and aging population strains the labor force, weakens economic growth and undermines long-term national strength. A country that cannot replace itself must eventually outsource its future or surrender it. President Trump has chosen a different path.

When viewed together, Trump Accounts and TrumpRx tell a coherent and intentional story. The administration is investing at both ends of the life cycle. It is helping Americans bring children into the world and helping those children grow into financially capable adults. This is what long-term domestic governance looks like when it is taken seriously.

In an era when too many leaders treat the domestic sphere as an afterthought, something to be managed while attention drifts abroad, President Trump is doing the opposite. He is placing American families back at the center of national policy not as symbols, but as stakeholders.

Strength begins at home. Economically, demographically, and culturally. These announcements make one thing unmistakably clear. The Trump administration is not winding down. It is digging in on behalf of the next generation of Americans



**3-** As compromised as a lot of our judiciary is, it still manages to surprise us in a good way.

A ruling on Friday allows the Trump Administration to detain pending removal as many illegal aliens arrested by DHS as it has the physical capacity to hold.

Currently that capacity is only around 65,000. But DHS is building more detention facilities, and the expectation is to increase that number to 200,000 by the end of 2018.

You have to appreciate that the Trump Team slogs through all the lawfare by the left that slows down progress.

## **Breitbart**

### **Big Win for Trump as Appeals Court Blocks Liberal Judges from Releasing Migrants**

**QUOTE:** President Donald Trump's lawyers scored big on Friday when a Texas-based appeals court allowed officials to hold arrested migrants in detention so their migration cases can be quickly decided.

"ENORMOUS Immigration win for President Trump," said Eric Wessen, the Solicitor General in Iowa's Attorney General's Office. He added: "The Fifth Circuit, the first federal court to address President Trump's expedited removal efforts, sides with the administration. Illegal aliens may be detained and removed!:

"After reviewing carefully the relevant provisions and structure of the Immigration and Naturalization Act, the statutory history, and Congressional intent, we conclude that the government's position is correct," the three-judge court decided.

The decision is a big blow to the many pro-migration lawyers who are using sympathetic judges to impose a catch-and-release burden on ICE enforcement. So the decision helps Trump implement his campaign promise to deport millions of illegal migrants, partly because they are a huge economic burden on ordinary American families.

The court's decision only applies to migrants detained in the district overseen by the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, which includes Texas. But a similar lawsuit is pending in the Eighth Circuit, which stretches from Arkansas to North Dakota and Minnesota.

The Democrats' pushback against Trump's deportations is an indirect attack on Trump's low-migration, high-productivity national economic strategy and his 2020 policy on affordability.

Under Trump's low-migration, high-deportation reforms, Americans' wages are up, housing costs are down, inflation is declining, transport costs are shrinking, crime is dropping, and corporations are spending heavily to help Americans become more productive and earn more wages for each working hour.

The pro-citizen, pro-wage policy is deeply opposed by Democrats, who instead promise to raise living standards for migrants and citizens via government benef



**4-** These men have a hundred things on their daily To Do List, but when push came shove, they called the Marines and rescued our flag from the evil clutches of the WHO

## **PJ Media**

### **When the WHO Wouldn't Return the Flag, Trump and Rubio Sent the Marines**

**QUOTE:** Flags matter because they represent authority, sacrifice, and ownership. The World Health Organization (WHO) crossed that line when it decided to keep the United States' flag after President Donald Trump withdrew from the organization. That decision led to a rare action on the world's political stage: Somebody acted.

President Trump pulled the U.S. out of the WHO because of decades of mismanagement, compliance with hostile governments, and repeated failures during global health scares. There are consequences resulting from the withdraw legal, diplomatic, and symbolic. At the WHO's headquarters, our flag was display ownership never changed when we ended our membership, and when the organization refused to return it, then it became a straightforward matter.

Last year, President Trump withdrew the United States from the corrupt globalist institution, the World Health Organization (WHO). The WHO said we owed them

more than \$100 million. This is after they lied about the pandemic at the request the Chinese Communist Party. President Trump made it clear that they owed us for what they did during the pandemic.

Since the WHO claimed it did not approve the U.S. withdrawal from the agency, said the U.S. remains a member and that the U.S. can't have its flag back. President Trump said in no uncertain terms, "We will take our flag back."

Secretary of State Marco Rubio addressed the situation with clarity, as diplomatic notes had run dry and polite requests met resistance.

"Even on our way out of the organization, the WHO tarnished and trashed everything that America has done for it. The WHO refuses to hand over the American flag that hung in front of it, arguing it has not approved our withdrawal, and, in fact, claims that we owe it compensation. From our days as its primary founder, primary financial backer, and primary champion until now, our final day the insults to America continue.

That's the point where Rubio authorized the United States Marines to retrieve American property. Marines follow orders: they arrived, asked politely, and left carrying the flag.

Strong leadership doesn't chase approval; it understands where it begins and ends. President Trump established a foreign policy grounded in sovereignty, not chasing consensus.



PRAY for everyone in the Trump Administration.

PRAY for all children.

PRAY for world peace.

PRAY for passage of the SAVE ACT.

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**Defending The Republic**

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**UPDATED: Read the five part series truthfully explaining the unprecedented lawfare used by the left to remove Sidney Powell's right to free speech.**

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