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President CJ's Letter:

Dear Colleagues,

Our first newsletter in April was well received and generated lots of enthusiasm for our new organization! Membership has grown even in light of the Covid-19 lockdown. It seems that conservatives are taking nothing for granted in this election year.

Knowing that we need all the patriots we can muster, we feel it beneficial at this time to include non-members as well as members in the distribution of our WAC newsletter. After the election, this newsletter will be distributed strictly as a membership perk.

This month we are featuring Congressman Denver Riggleman as our special newsletter guest. The Congressman was to be our April Luncheon speaker, but with social distancing restrictions, we were unable to meet as a group. We are long overdue to hear from the Congressman. (His political opponent was first to speak to our group last Fall.) Congressman Denver Riggleman is a wonderful friend to WAC and a strong supporter of the U.S. Constitution.

"Where there is unity, there is victory." With the upcoming Convention and Primary in June, I hope voters in the 5th Congressional District understand the importance of a united front in order to hold on to our Republican seat in the House of Representatives. It will take everything we can muster against the Democrats who are hoping for a win. As Republicans, we MUST continue to hold this Congressional seat, send Senator Mark Warner packing, and re-elect President Trump! Together we can do great things!

- CJ Hatcher



Special Guest: Representative Denver Riggleman

Friends,

I have been working to further President Donald Trump's conservative agenda since I arrived in Congress. President

Trump endorsed me because of my conservative principles, I have consistently voted to help him build the Border wall, protect our second amendment rights, and protect the unborn. I even spoke on the House floor protecting the right to life for unborn children until Democrats shut off my microphone. I am endorsed by President Trump because I share his agenda. I support the President's common-sense policies because they are what is best for our district.

This isn't just political for me; I have a personal relationship with the President. I have spoken with him at the White House and the President respects my opinion. In the words of President Trump, "*Congressman Denver Riggleman is a true CONSERVATIVE leader who has done a great job for Virginia and will support our #MAGA Agenda. He defends our right to bear arms, protect our Borders & help small businesses. Denver has my Total Endorsement.*" I am honored to be the Co-Chair of President Trump's re-election campaign in the Commonwealth of Virginia. My relationship with the President has helped the fifth congressional district and it will continue to do so.

I am leading the way in the 5th District during the
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COVID-19 pandemic. I witnessed firsthand the impact of COVID-19 on patients and staff at the University of Virginia Medical Center, and I have consistently worked to make sure our hospitals have the resources they need.

I recently co-sponsored the Helping Emergency Responders Overcome Emergency Situations Act of 2020 (HEROES Act), H.R.6433, to honor frontline healthcare workers and first responders. If enacted, this bill would provide a four-month federal tax holiday to any frontline healthcare worker or first responder in a county that has reported a patient infected by COVID-19. As an Air Force veteran, I understand the sacrifice that often comes with service, and I recognize that first responders, medical workers, and hospital staff have stepped up as national heroes during this time. The HEROES Act is one step we can take to show our gratitude for the work they have done to care for our sick and injured.

As a veteran, businessman, and Virginian, I have the experience the Fifth District needs representing them in Congress. I am committed to supporting President Trump's Make American Great Again agenda, I know the best is yet to come.

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Chairman Mulls Run for Virginia Governor

By Rebecca Beitsch, The Hill, 05/18/20

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Chairman Neil Chatterjee is considering running for governor in Virginia next year, Politico reported Monday.

A Facebook group titled "Hypothetical: Draft Neil Chatterjee for Virginia Governor 2021" was formed over the weekend, featuring a photo of Chatterjee wearing a Nats baseball cap while holding a gavel.

Chatterjee, a Republican tapped by President Trump to lead the commission in 2018, told Politico he was "just playing around" when he created the group, and plans to finish out his term, which ends in June of next year.

"My focus from now until June 30, 2021 is on my duties at FERC," he told Politico. "Only after my term is complete will I start to give any thought to what I do next in life."

The state's gubernatorial primary, however, is scheduled for June 8 next year, which would force Chatterjee to make the decision before the end of his FERC term.

Virginia has off-year elections, and with current Gov. Ralph Northam (D) unable to seek reelection, the state may see a wide field of candidates before the primary.

Virginia Governor Fires Back at Trump: 'I suggest you stop taking hydroxychloroquine.'

By Zack Budryck, The Hill, 05/19/20

Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam (D) fired back at President Trump Tuesday after the president referred to Northam as "crazy" and an opponent of Second Amendment rights.

Trump, speaking at a White House event Tuesday, followed a speaker from Virginia by saying, "We're going after Virginia, with your crazy governor, we're going after Virginia. They want to take your Second Amendment. You know that, right? You'll have nobody guarding your potatoes."

"I grew up on a Virginia farm, Mr. President — our potatoes are fine. And as the only medical doctor among our nation's governors, I suggest you stop taking hydroxychloroquine," Northam tweeted. "Let's all get back to work."

Northam's tweet was in reference to the president's statement on Monday that he has been taking the antimalarial drug, frequently prescribed for arthritis and lupus.

Numerous Democrats, including House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) and Senate Minority Leader Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.) have warned about possible risks from the president taking the drug, as has Fox News's Neil Cavuto.

The comment by the Fox News anchor prompted Trump to say he was "looking for a new outlet" and accusing the network of hiring "more anti-Trump people, by far, than ever before."

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Trump and Northam have also sparred before. Trump has publicly warned against proposals for tighter gun restrictions for those hoping to enter the state capitol. He also has said that some states including Virginia have gone "too far" in their mitigation measures to combat the coronavirus pandemic earlier this year.

How Racist Is Trump Toward Black Americans?

Liberals continue to try to paint President Trump as a racist. As African American libertarian attorney, author, and radio program host Larry Elder said on his 1/22/20 broadcast titled, How Racist is Trump toward Black Americans?: "If Trump is a racist, he is the worst racist ever!" Below is a summary of points Mr. Elder made on his show that prove President Trump is not a racist. (Please use these as talking points on the issue.)

- Trump economic policies brought **black unemployment levels to historic lows**.
- Trump supported and signed into law the **First Step Act** which allows non-violent prisoners who believe their sentences are unduly long to have their sentences reviewed for reduction and early release. To date, over 1000 people have benefitted by this law, 90% of whom were African Americans, and sentences were reduced by an average of 70%.
- Trump signed into law the **Music Modernization Act** which reformed copyright laws to ensure musicians receive pay for products they produce on streaming services. The black community benefitted a great deal by this law.
- Trump supports **school choice/charter schools** so that children would not be required to attend failing public schools simply because of where they live.
- Trump is **opposed to illegal immigration** which disproportionately harms minority communities. According to Peter Kirsanow of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, nearly one million fewer blacks work today because of illegal immigration, and wage rates for minority communities are depressed by

\$1800.00/yr which equates to \$99 billion - \$118 billion annually in depressed wages.

- Trump and Senator Tim Scott developed **opportunity zones** which deliver jobs, investment and growth to communities that need them the most, including the inner cities.
- Trump **increased spending on Historically Black Colleges and Universities** by 14%.
- Trump **commuted the life sentence of Alice Marie Johnson** for a nonviolent drug offense.
- Trump **pardoned Jack Johnson** who was the first black heavyweight champion, and was convicted of a crime for transportation of a white woman across state lines.
- Trump **supports law enforcement** which disproportionately benefits minority communities. Studies show that when officers pull back from policing due to charges of racially biased shootings, black communities experience increased violence.

Trump Campaign Launches Investigative Website

By Jennifer Harper, The Washington Times, 05/18/20

Never underestimate President Trump's very proactive reelection campaign, which constantly seeks new ways to circumvent both the hostile news media and assorted political foes. In the past 24 hours, Donald J. Trump for President, Inc. has activated TheTruthOverFacts.com, an investigative website which showcases Joseph R. Biden's "never-ending, seemingly incomprehensible statements" during his quest for White House.

The new project features a well-produced daily video featuring assorted hosts, some snappy humor and experts who parse out the statements.

"The website takes a closer look at Biden's words and phrasing and brings in experts to discern if there is hidden meaning behind the muddled declarations that most normal people would miss," the campaign

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advises. The site also seeks tips from the public.

Meanwhile, the campaign continues to produce its own daily news and commentary shows featuring such campaign luminaries as Donald Trump Jr. and Lara Trump. Streamed on Twitter and other social media sites, the shows have already accrued over 1 million views and currently feature voter outreach for such groups as Latinos for Trump, Women for Trump, Army for Trump and Black Voices for Trump.

The big numbers continue elsewhere. The Trump campaign now boasts 1 million volunteers, a staff of 1,100, voter contacts topping 30 million — and a war chest of \$742 million. The Republican National Convention to reelect the president, incidentally, is going full steam ahead, to be staged in Charlotte, North Carolina in late August. Some 50,000 guests and 15,000 journalists are expected.

Find the president's intricate campaign at Donaldjtrump.com

Points of Interest

- **Easing of Coronavirus Restrictions:** On May 15, Virginia began to ease up on restrictions that were put in place due to the coronavirus. The executive order issued by Governor Northam detailing requirements included in the loosened restrictions is here: [https://www.governor.virginia.gov/media/governor/virginiagov/executive-actions/EO-61-and-Order-of-Public-Health-Emergency-Three---Phase-One-Easing-Of-Certain-Temporary-Restrictions-Due-To-Novel-Coronavirus-\(COVID-19\).pdf](https://www.governor.virginia.gov/media/governor/virginiagov/executive-actions/EO-61-and-Order-of-Public-Health-Emergency-Three---Phase-One-Easing-Of-Certain-Temporary-Restrictions-Due-To-Novel-Coronavirus-(COVID-19).pdf)
- **Absentee Ballot Request Deadlines:** Due to the fact that the coronavirus situation may be with us for a while, some of our members may wish to vote absentee in upcoming elections. The deadlines for requesting that an absentee ballot be mailed to you are as follows: for the June 23 primary, the deadline is June 12; for the general election on November 3, the deadline is October 27. The website for absentee ballot information from the Virginia Board of Elections is: <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting/>

- **President Trump's Accomplishments:** Often in conversations with people from the opposition, Trump supporters are asked for examples of the things President Trump has accomplished since taking office. A Timeline of his major accomplishments by month and year can be found at this website: <https://www.promiseskept.com/timeline/>

Note from WAC Newsletter Editor, Tamara Thies:

This is WAC's second newsletter and I hope you continue to find it helpful and informative. Please don't hesitate to contact me or any other board member with thoughts or suggestions for the newsletter or WAC in general. Our contact information is below:

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"The spirit of resistance to government is so valuable on certain occasions, that I wish it to be always kept alive. It will often be exercised when wrong, but better so than not be exercised at all. I like a little rebellion now and then. It is like a storm in the atmosphere."

— Thomas Jefferson