



# The New York Young Republican Club Record

## Letter from the Gala Chairwoman:



Welcome, Ladies and Gentlemen, to New York City's social event of the season: the New York Young Republican Club's 113th Annual Gala.

On behalf of the Board of Governors of the NYYRC, we are honored to host you for a celebration of another memorable and historic year of Republican politics. Here at our beloved Cipriani Wall Street, we return for a night of togetherness and shared purpose.

When I moved to New York four years ago, I knew the city was at odds with my conservative, Republican values. Longing to connect with peers and eagerly hoping for a second term of President Donald J. Trump, I found my way to an NYYRC event. One night led to another, and at each event, I was met with a deep sense of welcome from interesting, engaging young professionals. We shared values, and what's more, we shared the spark to stand up for these values, hoping we would see our city and our country flourish. I found the NYYRC to be the stronghold for Young Republican politics here in New York City, otherwise the heart of American leftism. With opportunities for involvement for people of all personalities, whether in campaigns, philanthropy, policy, or social engagement, the NYYRC is a place of connection, conviction, and friendship.

After the assassination of Charlie Kirk in September, I have seen countless new faces at our events. When I ask new members why they joined the NYYRC, I hear a similar refrain time and again: Charlie's death ignited a spark in them. They felt called upon to act, and act now. Called upon to continue Charlie's legacy of thoughtful and kind conversations with those we disagree with and those who disagree with us. Through growing Turning Point USA and Young Republican chapters at Baruch College and across New York, the NYYRC is empowering the next generation to make their voices heard in New York.

On the eve of a Zohran Mamdani mayorship, which seeks to exchange capitalism for communism and threaten what we hold most valuable, we Young Republicans are the resistance movement. If you are looking to fight for our future, our city, we welcome you with open arms. If you are here tonight, you've found the right place.

Thank you for sharing this special evening with us. May tonight's Gala spark connection, reflection, and renewed commitment to our mission: to promote and maintain the principles of the Republican Party. Your presence tonight affirms a collective belief in our country, the MAGA movement, and the glorious future of the Golden Age.

Tonight's Gala truly would not have been made possible, or successful, without the efforts of our Board of Governors and Gala Committee. I give you my deepest thanks and am honored to share this evening with you. Congratulations to our award recipients, speakers, and honored guests, to whom we extend our deepest admiration. The New York Young Republican Club has proven time and again that with your help, we throw the biggest and boldest Gala in New York.

Cheers to celebrating glitz, glamour, and the Golden Age – together.

**Rachel S. Gardner**  
**Gala Chairwoman**  
**New York Young Republican Club**

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# Speakers

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## John M. Posobiec III

Jack Posobiec is Senior Editor at *Human Events* and host of *Human Events Daily*, which has more than 250 million downloads. He is a veteran US Navy intelligence officer with deployments to Guantanamo Bay and East Asia. Posobiec's final deployment was as Intelligence Director for Navy Expeditionary Forces Command Pacific – Task Force 75. Posobiec is a New York Times Bestselling author of *Unhumans: The Secret History of Communist Revolutions*. In 2019, Posobiec was awarded a Lincoln Fellowship by the Claremont Institute. Born and raised in Pennsylvania, Posobiec is a Temple University – Philadelphia, graduate. Posobiec spent two years living in Shanghai and learning Mandarin. He is married to Tanya Tay Posobiec. They have two sons.

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## Hon. William Andrew Ogles IV

Andy Ogles is a Middle Tennessee native with deep roots dating back to the founding of his state. After graduating from Franklin High School, he married his high school sweetheart, Monica. They currently live on a small farm south of Columbia with their three children: Adley, Drew, and Isaac. Andy obtained his degree from MTSU. He's had a successful career as an entrepreneur owning and operating restaurants and a real estate investment business. Feeling the call to serve his community, Andy became the COO of Abolition International, overseeing operations and investments in several countries to fight human trafficking. Andy has served the people of Tennessee for decades, fighting for limited government, lower taxes, and greater freedom. In Washington, D.C., he works to preserve a better future for our children and the families of our community.



## Benny Johnson

Benny Johnson is the host of *The Benny Show* Podcast and is a contributor with Turning Point USA. He's worked previously as a host at Newsmax, Viral Politics Editor at TheBlaze, Digital Director of National Review, Creative Director at International Journal Review, and Viral Politics Editor at BuzzFeed. Benny has taken his flair for the peculiar culture of the web with him to each stop and remained ahead of the curve in using the burgeoning medium to reach a growing audience for more than a decade. Despite his sizable online presence, Benny also loves engaging in person and has become an onstage fixture at Turning Point's youth outreaches—often participating in larger than life sketches to the delight of younger audiences. Though gifted with a large personality, Benny is a man of simple tastes. He prefers to spend his free time with his wife Kate and his daughters Ellouise and Juliet. He enjoys sitting down with glass of whiskey and a pipe. Benny hails from Cedar Rapids, Iowa and graduated from the University of Iowa. He currently resides in Tampa, FL.

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## Hon. Michael A. Collins Jr.

As the Representative for Georgia's 10th Congressional District, Mike Collins brings decades of experience as an entrepreneur, businessman, and employer to Congress. He and his wife Leigh Ann started a trucking company in the early 1990s that has grown to employ more than 100 Georgians and hauls freight all over America. Mike has also served on the board and as Chairman of one of Georgia's largest credit unions and as president of his local Chamber of Commerce. That experience informs Mike's top policy priorities, which are to cut wasteful spending and take onerous regulations off the backs of small business owners so our economy can grow and hard-working Americans can thrive. Representative Collins was born, raised and still resides in Jackson, Georgia. He graduated with a business degree from Georgia State University. He and Leigh Ann have three grown children and four grandchildren.



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## Club Awards

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The **Frederic René Coudert Jr. Award** goes to an individual that best embodies the conservative spirit of Frederic René Coudert Jr. (1898–1972). Coudert was a member of the New York State Senate from 1939 to 1946, sitting in the 162nd, 163rd, 164th, and 165th New York State Legislatures. Between 1940 and 1942, he helped lead the Rapp-Coudert Committee, which sought to identify the extent of communist influence in the public education system of the state of New York. Its inquiries lead to the dismissal of more than 40 instructors and staff members at the City College of New York. He was elected as a Republican to the 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, and 85th United States Congresses, holding office from January 3, 1947, to January 3, 1959. Coudert was an outspoken conservative and endorsed William F. Buckley's 1965 Conservative campaign for the New York City mayoralty over liberal Republican Congressman and fellow New York Young Republican Club alumnus John Lindsay.

The **Thomas E. Dewey Award** is bestowed upon an individual whose exemplary service in government best embodies the spirit and dedication to the Republican Party. Thomas E. Dewey (1902–1971) was an American lawyer, prosecutor, and politician. Dewey served as the Chairman of the New York Young Republican Club's Board of Governors from 1931 to 1932. He served as the 47th governor of New York from 1943 to 1954. In 1944, he won the Republican Party's nomination for president but lost the election to incumbent Franklin D. Roosevelt in the closest of Roosevelt's four presidential elections. He again served as the Republican presidential nominee in 1948 but lost to Harry S. Truman in one of the greatest upsets in presidential election history. Dewey played a large role in winning the Republican presidential nomination for Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1952 and also helped Eisenhower win the presidential election that year. He was instrumental in the selection of Richard M. Nixon as the Republican vice-presidential nominee in 1952 and 1956. As a New York City prosecutor and District Attorney in the 1930s and early 1940s, Dewey relentlessly sought to curb the power of the American mafia and of organized crime in general. Most famously, he successfully prosecuted Mafioso kingpin Charles "Lucky" Luciano on charges of forced prostitution in 1936. Luciano was given a 30- to 50-year prison sentence. Dewey also prosecuted and convicted Waxey Gordon, another prominent New York City gangster and bootlegger, on charges of tax evasion. Dewey almost succeeded in apprehending Jewish mobster Dutch Schultz as well, but Schultz was murdered in 1935 in a hit ordered by The Commission itself; he had disobeyed The Commission's order forbidding him from making an attempt on Dewey's life.

The **Allen W. Dulles Award** goes to an individual who embodies the virulent anti-Marxist spirit of Allen W. Dulles (1893–1969). Dulles was the first civilian Director of Central Intelligence (DCI) and its longest-serving director to date. In the 1948 Presidential election, Dulles served as an advisor to former Club Chairman and Republican nominee Thomas E. Dewey. He championed the Eisenhower Administration's New Look strategy, and, as head of the Central Intelligence Agency, he established global intelligence networks to identify and counter communist efforts. In addition, he oversaw the 1953 Iranian coup d'état, the 1954 Guatemalan coup d'état, and the Lockheed U-2 aircraft program.

The **Frederick Clifton White Sr. Award** is presented to a brand, organization, or consulting group whose work meaningfully strengthens the conservative movement and advances the mission of the New York Young Republican Club. Frederick Clifton White Sr. (1905 to 1976) was a pioneering political strategist whose innovative organizing efforts were instrumental in reshaping modern Republican politics. Best known for engineering the Draft Goldwater movement and laying the groundwork for the ascendance of grassroots conservatism, White proved that vision, strategy, and disciplined advocacy could redefine the political landscape. This award honors an institution that embodies that same spirit of creativity, determination, and principled leadership: one that invests in the future of conservative ideas, equips the movement with the tools needed to win, and inspires a new generation to engage in the fight for our state and nation. Only an organization whose work reflects White's historic impact may fittingly receive this recognition.

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Since 1962, the **Stanley M. Isaacs Award** has been presented to a non-board Club member who has made the most important contributions to the Club in the last year in the opinion of the Board of Governors. Stanley M. Isaacs (1882–1962), who served as Manhattan Borough President from 1938–1941, and Minority Leader of the City Council at the time of his death, made a lifetime commitment to supporting the Club and its endeavors. It is this legacy of service to the Club that future award recipients shall be measured against.

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Since 1947, the **Philip J. McCook Award** (previously known as the Civic Service Award, the War Memorial Award, and the New York Young Republican Club Award) has been given to a person in the community at large that best embodies the spirit and mission of the New York Young Republican Club, who exemplifies the fundamental ideals of Republicanism, such as liberty and individual responsibility, and who has demonstrated a dedication and service to both the Republican Party and society. Philip J. McCook (1873–1963) was one of the Club's original 32 founders and its first president, serving from 1911 to 1914. In 1919 he was elected to the Supreme Court in New York. In 1930 he was appointed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to preside over the Ewald Healy job-buying inquiry, which eventually led to the famed Seabury investigation and a public airing of the corruption in Tammany politics in the Democratic party in New York City. Judge McCook came from a family with a reputation for bravery in combat. A family often called the “fighting McCooks.” His family had 15 men wearing Union Army uniform during the Civil War, and Judge McCook had the unusual distinction of having served in the U.S. Army in three wars. He was an infantry corporal in the Spanish-American War, an infantry major in World War I, and a colonel in the Judge Advocate General's Corps in World War II. He was wounded during World War I at the Meuse and was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

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The **Richard M. Nixon Award** is given to a citizen who exemplifies the fundamental ideals of Americanism. Richard M. Nixon (January 9, 1913 – April 22, 1994) was the 37th President of the United States, serving from 1969 to 1974 and thereby obtaining the highest political rank of any New York Young Republican Club alumnus. Earlier in his political career, Nixon served as a Representative and Senator from California and as the 36th Vice President of the United States from 1953 to 1961 under President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Nixon's five years in the White House saw the reduction of U.S. involvement in the Vietnam Conflict, détente with the Soviet Union and China, the first manned Moon landings, and the ratification of the 26th Amendment to the United States Constitution. Between his service as Vice President and President, Nixon moved to New York City, where he joined the New York Young Republican Club. The Club supported Nixon's 1968 presidential campaign; it created and sold collectible silver and bronze coins featuring profiles of his and Spiro T. Agnew's faces to raise funds used to support his campaign. Nixon went on to appoint Club members to positions in the federal government, including Kenneth B. Keating as United States Ambassador to Israel, Russell E. Train as Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and Rita E. Hauser as the United States Ambassador to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights. The Club awarded Richard M. Nixon its Philip J. McCook Award in 1960.

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The **Theodore Roosevelt Jr. Award** is presented to a Republican candidate who has displayed the highest leadership qualities and character within the Republican Party in prior or current election cycles. Theodore Roosevelt Jr. (1887–1944) was an American government, business, and military leader. He was the eldest son of President Theodore Roosevelt and First Lady Edith Roosevelt. Roosevelt is known for his World War II service, including the direction of troops at Utah Beach during the Normandy landings. For his service at Normandy, Roosevelt received the Medal of Honor. He was the first non-founding Club member to be elected to higher office as a member of the New York State Assembly (Nassau County, 2nd D.) in 1920. In the 1924 New York State election, Roosevelt was the Republican nominee for Governor of New York. In addition, he served as Assistant Secretary of the Navy (1921–1924), Governor of Puerto Rico (1929–1932), and Governor-General of the Philippines (1932–1933).

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The **Nelson A. Rockefeller Award** is presented to a member of the community at large who, in the spirit of the former Club member, New York Governor, and the United States Vice President, goes to great lengths to assist the New York Young Republican Club in fulfilling its mission. Nelson A. Rockefeller (1908–1979) served as Governor of New York State from 1959 to 1973 and Vice President of the United States from 1974 to 1977. Throughout his distinguished career, “Rocky”, as Club members affectionately referred to him, aided the Club in innumerable ways. Only a person of such generosity may fittingly receive this award.

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## Member Spotlights

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### Carianne Steffan

Born in Buffalo, New York, and raised in Nashville, Tennessee, Carianne grew up with a blend of Northeastern directness and Southern practicality. After college, she spent three years in California and two years in Washington D.C., gaining a firsthand look at the political cultures of the country's most liberal cities. By the time she moved to New York City in 2023, she had a clear understanding of what she valued: self-accountability, public safety, and fiscally responsible governance. She joined the New York Young Republican Club in 2024 and found there a community of sharp and grounded, critical thinkers. With a background in finance, she gravitates toward the economic side of policy. Her experiences living under chaotic and expensive urban governance and soft-on-crime policies have shaped her commitment to encouraging more women to approach politics through a practical lens. She is passionate about helping conservative women feel confident in and unapologetic about their values.



Known for her outgoing personality, humor, and natural leadership instincts, she jumped into Club involvement right away. She currently serves as Vice Chair of the Recruitment Committee, welcoming new members and helping them find their place in the Club, and as Secretary of the Arts Caucus, supporting the voices of right-leaning artists across the city. She's grateful for the friendships and opportunities the NYRYC has brought into her life and looks forward to continuing her work while helping others find a strong, authentic voice in New York City.



### Kevin McCarville

Kevin McCarville was born and raised in Millburn, New Jersey, and graduated from Millburn High School, where he was a three-sport captain in baseball, football, and wrestling. He moved to New York City in 2012 after attending Lafayette College, where he majored in Computer Science and played catcher for their Division I baseball program. He has spent most of his career in finance, earning his CFA charter while building AI-driven trading solutions for Wall Street firms before transitioning into venture capital to invest in AI startups. He graduated from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business in 2022 and soon moved into entrepreneurship; he is now Cofounder and CEO of Rekpo.AI, a company that creates customized AI solutions for the real estate industry.

In 2017, Kevin enlisted in the New Jersey Army National Guard. He later commissioned and now serves as a Captain, Airborne-qualified Ranger, and Company Commander of C Troop, 102nd Cavalry. In 2024, he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal and Combat Infantryman Badge (CIB) for meritorious service during a combat deployment to Syria and Iraq in support of Operation Inherent Resolve. In his free time, Kevin enjoys traveling (75 countries and counting), working out, snowboarding, surfing, and reading. A lifelong conservative and devoted follower of Thomas Sowell, Kevin joined the New York Young Republican Club in mid-2024 and currently holds leadership roles on the Veterans Caucus and Publications Committee. His primary focus for the coming year is to help deliver a Republican victory in the 2026 New York gubernatorial election.

# Reviving the Spirit of Conservatism: The New York Young Republican Club's Achievements in 2025

*By Aldo J. Solares, Club Historian*

In a pivotal leadership transition that marked a new chapter in its 113-year history, the New York Young Republican Club peacefully transferred the presidency from **Gavin Mario Wax**, who led the Club through its most explosive growth phase since 2020, to **Stefano L. Forte** in early 2025. Under President Forte's stewardship, the Club solidified its position as the preeminent America First organization in the bluest major city, surpassing 1,900 dues-paying members—the highest total since its all-time peak of 2,500 in 1928—and executing one of its most aggressive electoral and cultural offensives to date.

Among the year's triumphs, the Club endorsed and secured primary victories for four candidates: **Inna Vernikov** (New York City Council, Brooklyn 47th District), **Frank Morano** (New York City Council, Staten Island 51st District), **Ed Wehrheim** (Smithtown Supervisor), and **George Sarantopoulos** (New York City Council, Brooklyn 47th District). This string of wins marked the dramatic defeat of the Brooklyn GOP establishment, signaling a transformative power shift with MAGA-aligned Republicans rising to prominence. The Club played a decisive role in the mayoral race by endorsing Curtis Sliwa and deploying dozens of volunteers who knocked on over 5,000 doors across Bay Ridge and beyond, cementing its role as the backbone of Republican grassroots efforts in the city. The Club was pivotal in re-electing Inna Vernikov and ensured ballot access for Manhattan DA candidate **Maud Maron**—the first Republican on that ballot in 16 years.

Internationally, the Club gained prestige by organizing and endorsing the *Remigration Summit* in Milan, championing bold policies on identity and immigration and expanding its alliances through a delegation of over 40 members to CPAC Hungary. Additional outreach across Hungary, the Netherlands, Slovenia, Germany, Austria, Belgium,

and South Africa solidified NYYRC's status as a model of international conservative organizing.

The Club endorsed **José Antonio Kast**, founder of Chile's Republican Party, in the 2025 presidential election to address shared challenges like immigration and leftist policies. The "*Taking Socialist Campuses by Storm*" event at Baruch College drew hundreds and amplified the Club's campus appeal to Gen-Z conservatives.

The Club was honored as *Large Club of the Year at the 2025 Young Republican National Federation Awards Gala*, a recognition that celebrated the NYYRC's dynamic programming and popular events—such as MAGArita Mondays and the Sail Away Soirée—which helped distinguish the Club as one of the most active Young Republican chapters in the country.

Club activities ranged from caucus-led community initiatives to events like the Queens Caucus '70s Disco Night, the Arts Caucus Christmas tour, and collaborative networking event with the John Birch Society. In a historic first, Vice President **Brent A. Morden**, the Club's acclaimed conductor and pianist, performed with Hungarian violinist **Zoltán Mága** at Carnegie Hall on November 2, 2025, strengthening NYYRC's cultural ties with conservative allies abroad. Membership participation increased significantly, alongside notable expansion in digital engagement and social media reach, particularly among younger conservatives.

In 2025, the Club accelerated its momentum, proving that institutional strength and clear ideology can thrive amid change. This year, the NYYRC remained the beating heart of unapologetic conservatism in New York and an influential model for Young Republican organizations nationwide.

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## This is the Turning Point, USA

September 11, 2025

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The New York Young Republican Club mourns the loss of Charles James Kirk, 31, to an assassin's bullet in Utah yesterday afternoon. As young conservatives, many of us entered politics via Charlie's organization, Turning Point USA. We take his assassination personally. Charlie built Turning Point into a conservative powerhouse that unites millions of young men and women under the banner of free markets and free minds, liberating them from radical liberal ideologies and the brainwashing of their youths. He fought the venom of the radical left with open debate and free-wheeling discussions, not with anger or violence. Charlie was in the business of changing minds. Because the left could not change his mind, they had to silence it. Along with so many millions of heartbroken Americans, we mourn his untimely loss and rue what the future holds for America.

Charlie, your fight is over, but ours is just beginning. The vote that you so prized will never again be cast, though your memory will inspire the new generation to march forward in our dystopic American nightmare. With the blood of moderate conservatism spilled at the hands of the radical left, the status quo must give; we are all Charlie Kirk now, and we must live accordingly. You took the bullet meant for President Donald J. Trump last July, and you are the first martyr of the coming Revolution. As the shots fired at President Trump in Butler paralleled Lexington and Concord, the coward's bullet that struck you in Utah was our Bunker Hill. America is exactly 250 years from the beginning of the Revolutionary War, and our tender hearts increasingly cannot escape the conclusion that, against our will, violence lies at the doorstep of our Homeland.

Yesterday, Caesar's men crossed the Rubicon. As the voice of 1,867 Young Republicans in New York, we emphasize that this is not the end of the American Right, but a new beginning. From the ashes of moderate conservatism will arise a new power, and from the blood of our martyr a new hope. The Stars and Stripes fly low today, and our hearts lie broken. We, Young Republicans, want only better futures for our spouses and children; we want our posterity to live better lives than we have. But the left must not err and think that we will kneel and die if we are shown the barrel of a gun. In the immortal words of the first modern Republican president, a man himself assassinated by a political opponent, "a house divided against itself cannot stand." Well, Mr. Lincoln, our house may be divided, but we will stand for America to our dying breath. Charlie's murder will not be in vain as we continue our Forward March.

Now we must fight a war we did not seek. In recent years, particularly after the deadly race riots and lockdowns.

of 2020, the American Right has catalogued a growing coterie of leftist extremist organizations that want to drown America in blood and violence.

Their lodestar is Satan and their paths are lit by the embers of Hell; their enemies are all that is beautiful, good, and holy. Our national response to Charlie's assassination must include the immediate investigation and dismantling of these groups and their members, which pose clear and present dangers to the United States.

Such groups include but are not limited to:

- Radical transgender organizations and ideologues;
- All decentralized antifa-related organizations and groups, large and small;
- Black Lives Matter and their affiliates, along with all leftist groups that endorse violence to achieve political goals, including John Brown Gun Clubs;
- All organizations and groups organizing protest and resistance toward ICE, such as the Detention Watch Network, Immigration Defense Project, ICE Out of California, Refugees International, and We Are Casa (there are dozens of others);
- Democratic Socialists of America and its youth wing;
- Socialist Alternative;
- Party for Socialism and Liberation; and
- Communist Party USA.

The leadership and functionaries of such organizations are a crystal-clear threat to the American Nation, poison our youth, and violently attack missionaries like the inimitable Charlie. They must be uprooted hook, line, and sinker from the public discourse; their tendrils must be torn from the university system; they must be splintered into a thousand pieces and scattered to the winds. Every leftist think tank must be investigated, every fifth column professor questioned, and every masked antifa street thug jailed – we hear there is plenty of room in Alligator Alcatraz or even in the facilities of our dear friend President Nayib Bukele of El Salvador. As our then-Executive Secretary Viswanag B. Burra stated at our 2022 Annual Gala, "This is the only language the left understands: the language of pure and unadulterated power. [...] And to blatant acts of war, we shall answer with acts of war!"

On a most somber closing note, the New York Young Republican Club sends our sincere condolences to Charlie's wife Erika and their two young children. Their husband and father, a faithful Christian and American Patriot, has become the first Martyr of the activist modern Right. September 10, 2025 is a day that will live in infamy, but our posterity will claim it as the day the New Right was born. May Charlie reach Heaven speedily and intercede on our behalf from there.

This is the turning point, USA, and there is no going back; we will face the future with courage and honor. What has been set in motion cannot be undone!



# Notable Statements

## REPEAT AFTER US: REMIGRATION!

MAY 3, 2025

*NEW YORK YOUNG REPUBLICAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE*

A historic conference in Milan has rendered the deep state occupational governments of Europe frenetic; the Remigration Summit 2025. This international gathering, the first of its kind in well over half a century, was organized by various political and activist groups from across Europe united in support of remigration, a policy advocating the return of immigrants and their inassimilable descendants to their countries of origin.

As this conference faces intensive backlash, protests, bomb threats, and all the other resistance expected from gangster EU oligarchs and their antifa auxiliaries (human detritus), attention must turn to the German patriots, including two young women, arrested at the airport en route to the Summit and banned from exiting Germany until after the Summit's conclusion. After hours of interrogation, German authorities explained that these young citizens could pose a "significant risk of damage to the reputation of the Federal Republic of Germany" if permitted to attend the summit. As stalwart Austrian patriot and lead organizer of the Summit Martin Sellner noted, "the democracy simulation has been turned off," and the true deep state of Germany has revealed its will and earned the reputation it deserves. Other attendees were similarly blocked, including Rasmus Paludan of Denmark. Our comrade Dries Van Langenhove may only be able to attend because of a last-minute delay to his spurious criminal trial in Belgium.

Considering the above actions and many past offenses, we assert that the current German government is tyrannical and possibly illegitimate, functioning much like that of the occupational German Democratic Republic, whose byzantine rules and draconian surveillance state severely crushed ethnic Germans' rights and wantonly degraded their standard of living. The phenomenal Alternative für Deutschland (AfD), now the most popular party in Germany despite repeated attempts by the questionable Berlin regime under Friedrich Merz to ban it, has established many strongholds in the former East Germany, where people remember communist oppression and yearn for freedom and self-determination. This most recent action, even given the terrible German Basic Law, is likely legally dubious and vulnerable to litigation. As freedom- and identity-loving Americans, we know what must be done: down with the Verfassungsschutz (Federal Office for the Protection of the Constitution), the Bundesnetzagentur (Federal Network Agency), government-controlled media authorities, and all other heads of the hydra stemming

from the German Basic Law's limits on freedom of speech and association. Germany needs a revolution!

We Americans understand the stakes. Each day, we watch America-hating courts stymie President Donald J. Trump's mandate to undertake the largest deportation of illegals in world history. Mass deportation is not only justified but necessary after decades of poor border security and reckless immigration policy, which catalyzed tens of millions of illegal entries and a shocking demographic shift. While Europe's invasion is more recent and not yet as severe, it is no less dire. We implore all Europeans to defend their ancestral homelands and not let them balkanize into multiethnic bazaars stripped of European identity, legacy, and history.

Please pray for the American nation as we undertake this essential effort. As of mid-May 2025, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) has deported over 65,000 individuals since President Trump's return to office. This figure includes both formal deportations and voluntary departures facilitated by the Administration's incentive programs. Illegal border crossings have reached historically low levels under President Trump's leadership. In April 2025, Border Patrol apprehended approximately 10,000 migrants, a dramatic decrease from over 128,000 in April 2024. This represents a 92% drop year-over-year. In March 2025, the number of illegal border crossings was even lower, with just 7,181 encounters. This marks a 95% decrease from March 2024, when there were 137,473 apprehensions. These are promising figures for the first few months, but much remains to be done! Ultimately, tens of millions—every illegal bar none—must leave.

Remigration is a necessary policy and a compelling ideal. Teach its meaning to a new person every day. Ask yourself: "What am I doing to support remigration?" And be ready to act; save the ICE tip line as a contact now: **866-DHS-2-ICE (866-347-2423)**. Call ICE if you see anything or anyone suspicious. Get 'em out!

Momentum is building on both sides of the Atlantic. Let remigration be not only a policy, but a global movement. We extend our strongest support and warmest regards to the organizers and attendees of the Remigration Summit 2025, and we hope the event proceeds in a peaceful, civilized, and orderly manner.



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## Notable Statements

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### It's Time for a New Civic Order in Germany (As Seen in *Politico*!)

*August 13, 2025*

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It is very rare that the United States criticizes an ally for its domestic issues. Yet, under the leadership of President Donald J. Trump, the United States Department of State lambasted the Friedrich Merz *Regime* in Germany for “significant human rights issues” in a new report. As the German *Volk* suffer the political, economic, and social consequences of the failed liberal order, their government has repudiated its carefully cultivated reputation for embracing human rights in favor of a sinister regime of censorship and repression.

As early as 2010, then-Chancellor Angela Merkel announced that multiculturalism “ha[d] failed, utterly failed.” That was before a Saudi migrant plowed through a Christmas market in Magdeburg in December 2024, killing six people and injuring 323 others. It was before the gang rape in Freiburg, and it was before the sexual assault of over 1,200 German women in Cologne on New Year’s Eve in 2015-2016. Shocked and indignant, the German People expressed their outrage; their government responded by banning criticism of their policies online.

The State Department’s report describes how German “authorities prosecuted both online speech and the repetition or reposting of speech,” and added that “nonstate groups and private persons tried to inhibit freedom of speech, including members of the press.” German law imposes harsh fines on internet companies that do not censor content on demand, including American companies. A *60 Minutes* exposé in February illustrated how the German authorities are “policing [the internet] in a way most Americans could never imagine.” CBS’s cameras followed as armed policemen raided a man’s apartment at dawn, seizing his laptop and cell phone. The alleged crime? Posting a cartoon on social media that the government deemed offensive. Is this the Germany we ostensibly “liberated” in 1945?

Thankfully, the German People are finally awakening to the disaster unfolding before their eyes, and the New York Young Republican Club is

here to support them. Our Club has a track record of speaking out on issues that few others will, and Germany’s dire situation is one such cause. Last week, we hosted Robert Amsterdam, the sole American defender of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church from the depredations of an unhinged Volodymyr Zelensky. Like Merz’s government, the Ukrainian Regime under Zelensky is acclaimed as a bastion of freedom that is “fighting authoritarianism” when, in reality, the Ukraine is one of the least free places in Europe today. Priests are tortured, churches are stolen, and a faith is left in tatters – all in the name of “freedom.” It is fortunate that the State Department is choosing a new tack: criticizing human rights abuses whether they sit in Berlin or Beijing, Kiev or Kabul.

Secretary of State Marco Rubio has demonstrated impressive strength in pressuring our allies as well as our enemies. If Germany continues to abuse the rights of its people, it may be time for the Merz Regime to be firmly shown the door. Fortunately, a bombshell new poll yesterday showed the Alternative für Deutschland (AfD) now holds record popular support, leading Merz’s centrist Christian Democratic Union (CDU) party in the polls. Germany needs a party that puts Germany First, insists on a policy of remigration, and creates a New Civic Order from the ashes of liberalism.

Sensing public opinion turning against him, Chancellor Merz took the unprecedented step of classifying the AfD as an “extremist organization,” embracing a judicial process to ban them from the political conversation. But a potential ban of the AfD is futile; just as the Democrats’ attempt to jail President Donald J. Trump fueled his reelection, an effort to ban the AfD will ensure its ascendancy.

A triumphant AfD is what the guardians of the failed liberal order fear most of all. Germany should give it to them. To riff on August Heinrich Hoffmann’s most infamous line, **AfD über alles**.

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# Letters From Elected Officials

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New York Young Republican Club,

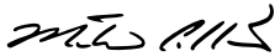
It is an honor to be back in New York attending your 113th Annual Gala. You continue to be the most based Republican Club since the founding of our party in 1854.

It takes hard work to win elections and real influence to convince others to join our cause. Your Club has exhibited a mastery of both. I know this club was a tremendous help in President Trump taking back the White House.

While campaigning for Republican candidates across the country, I've continued to see the impact NYYRC and its members have had on shaping conservative discourse. Your support for candidates and elected officials—and your willingness to steer officeholders back to their conservative roots when they stray—is making a real difference.

Thank you again for the support and hospitality your club has shown me. I look forward to continuing our partnership as we keep delivering wins for our party and our country.

Put the hammer down and keep on truckin'.



**Hon. Michael A. Collins Jr.**  
*United States House of Representatives (GA-10)*

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Dear New York Young Republican Club,

You are the next generation of America First leaders. Your passion, grit, and unshakable commitment to God and Country prove that the future of the conservative movement is stronger than ever. At a time when communist zealots and globalist turncoats have betrayed the American way of life, you have stepped forward with courage and conviction to take back our communities and resurrect American exceptionalism.

You led the charge among young Americans to embrace Trumpian nationalism and embody the spirit of a movement that refuses to bow to the failed establishment class. You are standing on the front lines against the entrenched deep state that has spent years attacking our freedoms and undermining the will of the people. The politics of New York City affect the politics of the rest of the country, and your club has proven that it is not only effective but essential in getting out the vote, driving the America First message, and influencing the public with real facts on dangerous political candidates. The America First movement is inspiring patriots across the Nation, and your efforts are part of that.

You are fighting for a country worth saving. You are building a future where American families can thrive again, where our institutions are accountable, and where our nation's strength is once again respected around the world. We no longer face our grandfathers' Democratic party, and the New York City YRs have shown us that we cannot stay our grandfather Republican party as well. A special thank you to your outstanding President, Stefano Forte, for his leadership, vision, and relentless dedication to the America First cause.

Keep charging forward. The future is yours to reclaim for the American people.

Sincerely,



**The Honorable Rep. Andy Ogles**  
*United States House of Representatives (TN-05)*

Dear Members of the New York Young Republican Club,

Congratulations on the success of your 113th Annual Gala. This milestone reflects the long and distinguished history of your organization and the tremendous impact you continue to have in advancing the conservative movement.

For over a century, the New York Young Republican Club has been a leading voice for young conservatives. Your work to mobilize voters, shape policy conversations, and champion the America First agenda has strengthened the Republican Party and inspired the next generation of leaders.

With President Donald J. Trump's return to the White House, our House Republican Majority has worked tirelessly alongside him to advance important conservative priorities. One of the significant accomplishments this year is the passage of the One Big Beautiful Bill, which advances meaningful reforms that reflect the needs and priorities of the American people. Your engagement and advocacy helped to make it all possible.

Thank you again for your dedication to our party and to the future of our country. I look forward to continuing our work together in the year ahead.

Respectfully,



**William R. Timmons, IV**  
Member of Congress

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To President Forte and the Members of the New York Young Republican Club:

It is a tremendous honor to join you for this year's Gala and to salute a Club whose history is only matched by its hustle. For more than a century, the New York Young Republican Club has stood at the crossroads of ideas and activism, producing leaders, shaping debates, and, yes, reliably throwing the best parties in the GOP since William Howard Taft first tried to fit into a ballroom doorway.

As an associate member, and now as a City Councilman fortunate enough to have benefitted from your extraordinary support, particularly during my special election deployment, I want to express my deepest gratitude. Your dedication didn't just help me win three elections; it reminded me why our movement is strongest when it is energetic, unapologetic, and rooted in the kind of populism that speaks to working people rather than corporate boardrooms.

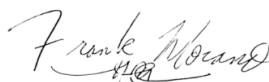
Under the leadership of President Stefano Forte and his distinguished predecessor Gavin Wax, the Club has embraced a bold, forward-looking Republicanism—one that draws more inspiration from Theodore Roosevelt than from the softer, establishment politics of the Bush era. It is a vision that prioritizes affordability, accountability, and the idea that government should serve the people—not the other way around.

I would also be remiss not to acknowledge two devoted members of my own team: Alexis Winters and Michael Gianino—who embody the spirit and drive that make this Club so exceptional. Their enthusiasm for this organization is contagious, even on days when City Hall is not.

As we celebrate tonight, let us recommit ourselves to building a Republican Party that is modern, spirited, and unafraid to challenge the status quo. If the future of the GOP looks like the New York Young Republican Club, then the future is in very good hands.

Thank you for your friendship, your leadership, and your indefatigable commitment to this city.

Sincerely,



**Frank P. Morano**  
Council Member, 51st District  
New York City Council

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# Building Out a Civic Alternative in New York Begins Tonight and Begins with this Club

*By Mr. Troy M. Olson*

I will not sugar coat this: New York City is about to go from bad to worse after the election of Zohran Mamdani. Yet, President Trump is still in the White House and I would rather hold the White House than Gracie Mansion. President Trump will be our greatest and best check on the increasing madness of policy and politics that befalls this great city.

And indeed, why is this still a great city? As the historical capital of global finance, a trading hub dating back to nearly the beginning years of when we settled this continent. It is a four-hundred-year-old city with a cultural tapestry that touches every corner of the world. As we turn the calendar soon to America's 250th year, it is time to bring this city, and all cities, back into the American fold. As globalism retreats around the world, a fact recognized by all but discredited elites and their declining institutions, we complete the next and deciding chapter of America's great comeback story—a Republican renewal in major cities. And like the song, if we can do it in New York City, we can do it anywhere in the country. If America is to truly have a Golden Age, we must see such a renewal in our cities too. We must make New York City an American city again.

For decades now, New York City has stifled under not just one-party rule, but one-perspective rule, and it has been a mis-rule forged around progressive dogma, which backs every conceivable culture and identity that is not American. As New York City enters its fifth century, filled with both culturally rich and constantly changing history, and economically powerful history, it is worth asking: What is a New Yorker? What is New York City and its role within the United States of America in 2026 and onward? The election of Zohran Mamdani, who became a US citizen in 2018, is no great surprise, but a downstream effect of a city whose social fabric was broken in the 1960s, suffered a financial crisis in the 1970s, and a crime crisis throughout the 1980s. Only in the 1990s and turn of the millennium through an intense anti-crime and public safety focus was the city able to achieve a renewal under Rudy Giuliani, one of the greatest mayors in the history of the city.

It is worth noting that the coalition that powered him to victory would not be possible within the city that exists today, and is therefore not repeatable. But it is also worth noting that Zohran's coalition is actually not impressive at all by the standards of both typical Democrat performance in the city, nor historical turnout. Rather, it's a sign of just how far the city has fallen, and how unimaginative and complacent we've all become.

Turnout was north of 40% for the first time in decades. But turnout was regularly north of 70-80% throughout the middle of the 20th century in NYC. Winning with just 50% of the vote for the Democrat nominee in this city, a party that outnumbers Republicans 6 to 1, is also not much of an accomplishment.

Zohran enters the mayoralty with the lowest first term percentage of any Democrat in 36 years. The last time this happened that same 50% mayor (David Dinkins) became a one-term mayor. It must be our job as a Club, as leaders that some call "the only game in town", to take this to the next step and help not just ourselves but especially city Republicans and all of those seeking a civic alternative to build out a coalition that will ensure Zohran Mamdani is a one-term mayor. There will be no shortage of opportunities for party and coalition building in the next three years before the 2028 presidential election, and next four years.

First off, we have an opportunity to immediately put a check on the red-green alliance by electing a Republican governor in 2026. Furthermore, with the destructive "climate change" mandates of Local Law 97 around the corner, the slide in daily quality of life, potential for reversal of the modest public safety gains, and what will still be a very unaffordable city under ideologies that have never brought affordability or quality to anywhere they've governed, the "affordability" pitch and phony smile of Zohran will continue to weigh on voters with each passing year even for many of his own supporters and voters.

We have to be ready. And to be ready means not just our time and attention, our strategic planning, but increasingly it will mean the need to build out spinoff institutions, rescue old ones, and build out a voter registration operation that can take that 6 to 1 disadvantage in voter registration down to 4 to 1 and under, which was about the same ratio that Rudy Giuliani was able to overcome in his runs for mayor.

It is not just enough to have the right policies and politics, we must actually do the hard work of party-building and coalition-building that has been ignored for too many years.

The Democrats' mistake was nominating an extremist with little work experience in their primary. Our mistake was not even holding a primary. For every primary is an opportunity for unique candidates to bring out and reach new voters. Additionally, we must never again allow a local race to go uncontested, even if it means they have little to no chance. Every little bit helps, everywhere. And where we run candidates who have little chance but make some progress, those candidates should be rewarded with party posts, and roles for other candidates and political leaders who do have a chance to win. In other words, in four years' time – we must run the first coordinated campaign from top to bottom of the century. There are no more excuses.

Our Keynote Speaker Jack Posobiec would often tweet to “get out of cities!” And who among us did not say or think the same throughout 2020’s “summer of love”? Each of us must make up our mind what to do on this front that is right for ourselves and our family most of all. But my family is staying. This is our fight or flight moment in NYC, and we must choose to fight.

We must raise and develop a fund of 25 to 50 million dollars for party-building and voter registration activities in the next three years, and we must repeat that again in the fourth year in a coordinated effort with common sense Democrats and Independents who want to save the city not just from Mamdaniism, but actually see this city for the 400 year miracle that predates the American founding that it is.

A city whose now-borough of Brooklyn was the site of the Maryland 400’s courageous sacrifice on the battlefield during the early days just after the Declaration of Independence was delivered to a distant King and hostile Parliament an ocean away.

The Revolution was nearly snuffed out then, but for their sacrifice, and it was nearly snuffed out again once they were in Manhattan. Just as this city was built on the streets, and this great country on that resilience, so too must come from us an attitude that as New Yorkers, as Americans – anything is still possible.

We will build a viable civic alternative in this city. We will elect more Republican members to the City Council. We will elect a Republican mayor and governor again. And we will deliver the state’s electoral votes to a Republican candidate for president in the 2030s.

If we do not believe this, then it is indeed time to get out of cities. But good luck stopping all that is coming out of them and spilling into our nation’s capital.

I’ll leave you with this statistic. The Republican Party bottomed out in urban America in 2012 with just 23% of the vote. Donald J. Trump received 33% of the urban vote in 2024. If that trends another 10% in the next 12 years, if we are indeed at the 50 yard line, at the summit, and continue this journey forward, then the urban vote of 43% or even just 40% weds together with our rural and small town strength to an unbeatable coalition that will win and govern nationally for the rest of the century.

An American Golden Age needs Great Cities Too.





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# International Law in the Post-Liberal Order

*By Mr. Kevin McCarville*

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"If the rule you followed brought you to this, of what use was the rule?" - *No Country For Old Men*

It's no secret that the institutions and inner workings of our country are not operating as efficiently as they should or as they once did. A common thread runs through nearly every domain in which the nation is struggling: "Well, there are rules."

We can admit twenty million people in open violation of our laws, yet we cannot deport them because we have rules governing due process. We face a severe shortage of homes that drives up costs for ordinary Americans, yet we cannot build more housing because we have zoning laws. We know who the repeat criminal offenders are, yet we cannot incarcerate them because we have rules around plea bargains, legal representation, and bail reform. For Covid, the examples are almost too numerous to list and remain the most glaring examples of government-enforced blind obedience. We could not go outside, open our businesses, or send our children to school because "those are the rules."

Most recently, the national conversation about blind obedience to rules has centered on Pete Hegseth's decision to strike Venezuelan narco-terrorists. When confronted with cases like these, and the ones above, I often propose a simple thought experiment: set aside the statutes, the executive orders, and the precedents. Strip it down to first principles. Does it make sense?

People will eagerly cite the legal authorities that allowed the Biden administration to parole tens of thousands of Haitian migrants into a small town in Ohio. But... who cares? Who cares whether it was technically legal? Does it make sense? What matters is if the policy is wise or sound, not legal.

The United States seeks to eliminate international criminals, narco-terrorists, and avowed enemies of our nation in the Caribbean. In any utilitarian calculation, it is difficult to imagine their removal not being an objective net positive for both America and the world. We struck them once; some survived. So we struck them again to complete the mission.

Does that make sense? I believe it does. You can, of course, quote the Geneva Conventions and international law at me, but the deeper question remains.

I was on deployment in Syria last year. More than once, I sat in a bunker, watching a monitor as Iranian-backed militias fired rockets at us. There was the familiar six-to-eight-second delay before the dull thud of impacts in the surrounding Kurdish villages. And then we waited—soldiers, pilots, intelligence officers—waited, sometimes more than an hour, while JAG officers and generals pored over manuals and statutes, quadruple-checking that returning fire was, in fact, legal.

There exists a mindset that treats rule-following as an end in itself. Following the rules is good, full stop. In the abstract, I do not entirely disagree. Yet what matters far more than simple obedience is what the rules actually are and what they accomplish. Dogmatic adherence to rules gave us the killing fields of Cambodia, Leopold's severed hands in the Congo, and the ovens of Auschwitz. The Nuremberg trials consisted, in large part, of one defendant after another insisting, "I was just following the rules."

"There's a point, far out there, when the structures fail you. When the rules aren't weapons anymore, they're... shackles letting the bad guy get ahead. One day... you may face such a moment of crisis. And in that moment, I hope you have a friend like I did... to plunge their hands into the filth so that you can keep yours clean!" - Commissioner Gordon

I am not advocating a lawless society or anarchic contempt for every rule. I am simply asking that America evaluate whether our rules still make sense. Had anyone in charge of our institutions done so during Covid, we would have made radically different decisions.

Whether the second strike on narco-terrorists in the Caribbean was right or wrong is ultimately for the American people to judge. Among the great powers in history, the United States has proven itself the most reliable moral arbiter the world has ever known. Others like to say, "Hey, I don't make the rules..." The truth is, we do.

We can, and we have. We should continue to do so with moral courage—unapologetically—rather than hiding behind some yellowed document signed in Geneva or The Hague 76 years ago.

We possess the capacity to solve virtually every major problem facing this nation. What we have so often lacked is the will. I was told for years that the border crisis was unsolvable—until, within a week of the new Administration taking office, it was largely brought under control. Will, not capability, was the missing ingredient.

Today, many common-sense solutions remain unimplemented not because they are unwise, but because “you can’t do that, there are rules.”

It is long past time we began asking, with clear eyes and unflinching honesty, whether those rules are still worth following.




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## Conquer Evil with Good

*By Mr. Ryan J. Quinn*

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Regardless of where the Republican Party moves from here, it is exceedingly important that we keep our focus on the principles that we are devoted to. Policies and practical politics are important but only insofar as they serve a higher purpose. Conservative intellectuals have long argued about the true nature of conservatism. Liberty, order, a virtuous citizenry, equality, and others have been offered by thinkers on the right. Yet, it is clear that there is no more fundamental a principle to Western Civilization than that of Love.

The greatest commandment was to love. Paul echoed Christ’s commandment by declaring love the greatest of the theological virtues. If the conservative movement seeks to save Western Civilization, which was built on the foundation of Christianity, it seems obvious that love must be at the heart of the conservative movement.

It is easy to get bogged down in the nuts and bolts of politics. Yet while we consider the specific policy initiatives to pursue, we must keep love at the very forefront of our consciousness. As we debate future candidates and methods of governing, we must chart a course rooted in love.

This is not the watered down love that many are used to. It is the love for the Father that motivated

Jesus to cleanse the Temple. He displayed righteous anger, too, but was undoubtedly motivated by love. This is radical love on which Western Civilization is built. This self-sacrificial love, embodied on the cross, has been imitated by those who have foregone individual gain for the opportunity to serve. It has been imitated more completely by anyone who has sacrificed their lives for a noble cause.

Love was defined by Thomas Aquinas as willing the good of the other. We must will the good of our loved ones, our countrymen, and, yes, our enemies.

On the last night of his presidency, Richard M. Nixon spoke to his staff. He told them, “Always remember, others may hate you, but those who hate you don’t win unless you hate them, and then you destroy yourself.” We cannot let this movement become motivated by hate.

We can allow ourselves righteous anger at those who wish to bring harm. We should prevent the destruction of truth, goodness, and beauty. We should be angry about the destruction of innocence. We should actively oppose such atrocities, but never in the spirit of hate.

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# How to Survive the MAGA Civil War

*By Mr. Kurt Myhre*

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Zohran Mamdani was right. He articulated one of the main pillars of the future of the Republican Party better than nearly any public figure. As we reflect on the humiliating Blue Wave of 2025, a much-needed MAGA Civil War has erupted, forcing us to reevaluate who we are as a party and discover who we must become.

The adage “land doesn’t vote” has never been more applicable. The electoral map of America is essentially solid red, except for specks of blue where the cities are located. For national and state elections, it is effectively the cities versus the rest of the country.

The red districts that showed up in record numbers for President Donald J. Trump in 2024 did not come out in the same way for 2025’s candidates. The strategy of counting on President Trump’s base to win state elections obviously proved to be a disaster. Donald J. Trump is a once-in-a-century politician. How do we rally Republicans to vote for viable candidates who will never have his intangible qualities? What will make a viable candidate for 2026?

The perfect storm of unaffordability, crime, and mass migration led to an inevitable victory for Mamdani. Addressing those three factors must be the platform for the future of our party. The party does not need a drastic overhaul, but it does need to change because, like it or not, we are a different country now and we are dealing with a different opposition party.

The radical wing of the Democratic party is now their base, and they are not concerned with how well we know the constitution or any other student council/Model UN fantasy ideas we have about how to run a country. The Democratic party has a mission, and they will not let facts, logic, or debate get in their way. They use our morality and generosity against us, and we feel the need to explain ourselves or even worse we fall for their tricks. A godless leftist will tell you to, “Turn the other cheek like Jesus said,” to get you to excuse violent crime. The same leftist will tell you, “We’re all God’s children,” to shame you into accepting infinite immigrants into our country.

That is who we are up against.

If the Republican Party is going to win future elections in New York, we have to be completely unashamed of the slander Democrats hurl at us. Their tactic is to shame us into silence. We know we are not racists, antisemites, xenophobes, or whatever else they come up with. Enough groveling with leftists and trying to defend yourself against them. The shame spell needs to be broken.

Now that we know who we are dealing with, we are ready to get into the platform.

**Affordability:** New York City is probably the least affordable city in the country, which should not come as a shock to anyone. This was Mamdani’s winning issue. Granted, his “plan” to address it is a greedy communist pipe dream that will assuredly end in misery, but regardless, no other major political candidate emphasized this problem as much as he did. It is one of the three greatest issues we face across the country.

There are apolitical leeches who just want free stuff. There are plenty of actual communists or democratic socialists (which are totally different I’m told) who were thrilled to vote for Mamdani. However, the most concerning thing that every Republican politician needs to internalize is that there were normal people with relatively decent incomes who enthusiastically voted for him. These are the people who were promised the American Dream. They went to college, got good grades, got a good job, and they are still living paycheck to paycheck with no hope of ever having a life better than their parents. There is no easy fix to this problem, but the solution is not free money from rich people’s taxes.

**Crime:** Let’s pretend for a moment that Democrat city crime statistics are accurate and not grossly underreported. The common refrain from Democrat officials is that stats show that crime is going down. From this we are supposed to appreciatively infer that they are doing everything in their power to keep us safe. Violent criminals are coddled by Democrats because they feel sorry for the unfortunate upbringing of the criminal.

Just because someone had a sad childhood does not give them the right to prey on the population with impunity. Antisocial violent criminals do not need 'no cash bail' and light sentences from Soros judges. They need to be locked away for eternity. The importance of bringing back mental hospitals and involuntary commitments cannot be overstated.

Mass Migration: Major credit is due to President Trump for shutting down the southern border and for making great strides in deporting illegals. Assuming future presidents continue enforcing immigration law and borders, legal immigration will be a much more significant problem than illegal immigration in the very near future.

We are a country of immigrants. According to Democrats and even many so-called Republicans, this means that the USA is obligated to take in anyone who is looking for a better life. "Does it suck where you come from? Then you automatically deserve to live in America."

"Americans are lazy and they don't want to work." No, they just want to be paid first world wages.

"What about the birthrate and the GDP?" Is your Vanguard account more important than having a country?

"We are going to staple green cards to diplomas." Why would we do that? So tech companies can get cheap coders? What happened to America First? The H1-B scam needs to be shut down completely.

The 14th Amendment was meant to give citizenship to freed slaves. It was not meant to give citizenship to a child of any random woman who manages to get on our soil. Any other interpretation of this amendment is revisionist.

Whoever was running the Biden regime invited in 20 million "migrants." We can feel for these people on a human level. No one can blame them for wanting a better life, but why does everyone want to live in America? It is because of the economic opportunities available which were created by decades and centuries of a unique European influenced culture.

Legally naturalized American citizens from all over the world who assimilated to our way of life have made valuable contributions to our society. Many of them are already helping to make America great again. We are conservatives, which is why we feel compelled to conserve our culture.

We are not blaming the migrant. They are just useful pawns in The Great Replacement. We will not allow ourselves to become the UK or Germany. London is our destiny if we do not immediately change our immigration policy. Remigration is the only way to preserve the culture that makes America so special. If you import the third world, you become the third world.

Working class rural patriotic Americans are the current base. Our message needs to resonate even further. If the new Republican Party is ideological and not pragmatic, then the base will diminish and we will never win a national election again. If done correctly, the base of the new Republican Party that emerges from the ashes of the MAGA civil war will be stronger than ever.



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## Objects

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*To promote and maintain the principles of the Republican Party; to foster within the Republican Party and make practical in service of the municipality, state and nation, the idealism characteristic of youth; to correct in our own party that tendency of all parties to make organization an end rather than a means; to develop sound principle and public spirit in party politics; to promote honest and fair electoral methods, to the end that the expression of the popular will by whatever party or body, shall be as free, untrammelled and equal as possible; to resist and expose political corruption; to advocate merit rather than partisan service as entitling to public office; to watch legislation and to encourage public attention to and efficiently criticize the conduct of government.*

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