News from Representative Coleman



### Hello Neighbors,

In DC this week we saw House Republican's pass messaging bills while they wait for the Senate to address the disastrous budget reconciliation. Abroad, Ukraine continued to defend itself from Russian aggression and the famine in Gaza worsened. Here at home, antisemitic attacks on our neighbors have increased.

Learn more about how I'm responding to each of these events below.

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# **Breakup's Can Be Tough**

Don't smile because it's over; cry because it happened. Trump and Elon Musk's <u>spectacular flame-out</u> yesterday is both a cautionary tale about the professional risks of <u>allegedly prolific drug abuse</u> and a grim reminder of how petty, vindictive, and emotionally unstable these two men are.

# Hillsborough Passport Clinic

My office will host a Passport Clinic at the Hillsborough Municipal Building at 379 South Branch Road in Hillsborough on Thursday, June 26, 2025, from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

Folks will be on site to help you apply for a new passport, renew an old passport, and even get your passport photo done.

This would all be good fun were it not for the very real control these two men have over the lives of millions of Americans. The Elon Musk who went on a Twitter rampage yesterday, accusing Trump of being a pedophile and calling for his impeachment, is the same Elon Musk who infiltrated the Social Security Administration, accessed the personal data of millions of Americans, and single-handedly ended foreign aid to millions of sick and starving children around the globe.



So yes, this was predictable. But it was also preventable. Let us remember this episode when we consider the kind of world we want to live in, the kind of leaders we want to serve us, and how much work we're willing to put in to make that vision a reality.

# **Republicans Cut Food Assistance**

The bill that Republicans pushed through the House last month, in the middle of the night, <u>before even some Republican members had time to read it</u>, is one of the worst budget proposals I've ever seen.

It's a massive transfer of wealth from working-class folks just trying to make ends meet to the very wealthy and well-connected who fund Republican campaigns. I took to the House floor to decry this obscene proposal. Watch <a href="here:">here:</a>



## **Hollow Promises in the Support Act**

For my entire tenure as a Member of Congress, I have been an advocate for taking a holistic, health-based approach to substance abuse disorder; one that focuses on healing and not criminal justice and that puts the resources necessary into recovery. The Support Act will <u>accomplish none of this</u>.

This bill authorizes funding for programs that Republicans are planning to eliminate in their budget and that Donald Trump has <u>already gutted</u> through <u>the firing of employees</u>. It's a level of cynical hypocrisy that I won't dignify with my vote.

## **Ukraine's Operation Spider's Web**

I would like to express my continued support and deep admiration for President Volodymyr Zelenskyy and the Ukrainian people. Their unwavering courage in the face of relentless Russian aggression has been nothing short of extraordinary.

This latest Ukrainian <u>drone operation</u>, personally supervised by President Zelenskyy, struck a devastating blow to the Russian war machine - but it also exposed the arrogance and shortsightedness of those who have tried to dismiss him and his country's resilience. That includes Donald Trump and JD Vance, who, just months ago, sat in the Oval Office and had the audacity to tell Zelenskyy that he "didn't have the cards." Well, the world sees who holds the cards now, and it's not the men coddling Putin while undermining our democratic allies.

<u>I stand with Ukraine</u>, a sovereign democracy defending itself from invasion, and with President Zelenskyy, whose leadership is a study in perseverance and unshakeable patriotism.

#### Antisemitic Attacks

Over the past few weeks, we have seen a deeply disturbing rise in incidents of antisemitic violence. First, here in the nation's capital where two young people were murdered outside the Capital Jewish Museum. And this weekend in Boulder, CO, when demonstrators calling for the safe return of hostages still held by Hamas terrorists were

attacked with firebombs — sending multiple people to the hospital and terrorizing the community.

These brazen acts of anti-Jewish hatred are despicable. They are an affront to every value I hold dear. Vicious attacks on innocent people do nothing to advance the cause of Palestinian freedom. It is an insult to those who are suffering to commit heinous acts of violence in their name. Bill and I are praying for the victims of these egregious attacks, for their families, and for their communities. This kind of hate has no place in the United States. We are better than this.

# **Ongoing Famine in Gaza**

The past three months have been among the most horrendous of the war in Gaza. Today, men, women, and children are dying in chilling numbers as the result of a relentless bombing campaign and a manufactured and enforced famine. In recent days there have been dozens of <u>fatal shootings</u> at US-run food-aid distribution sites.

We must be clear-eyed about what we are witnessing. These are war crimes. This is ethnic cleansing. This is genocide. No amount of anguish or anger from the horrific October 7th attacks can justify the mass starvation of children in Gaza. Many Israeli politicians have not been shy about their intentions, they are to drive Palestinians from the Gaza Strip and officially annex Gaza and the West Bank.

The United States has the power to end this barbarity. The Israeli Government could not continue to conduct this slaughter without our continued support.

The United States has sacrificed its standing in the world for Netanyahu's political future. In doing so, we've fueled and funded a genocide. But the time to end the genocide will never be better than it is right now.

End this war Mr. President. Make and enforce the ceasefire agreement reached just months ago. Return the hostages, end the blockade and bring relief to the starving Palestinians, and begin the process of healing in Palestine and Israel.

# Joy Beyond June Pride Event

To provide New Jersey's 12th Congressional district LGBTQIA+ community an empowering and uplifting experience to obtain support through resources and community in an affirming space, my office will be rounding out the Pride month celebrations with an event at West Windsor Plainsboro High School South on June 30th from 1PM-5PM featuring vendors and seminars helping to refocus inward and balance mindfulness with tools to continue to empower folks beyond Pride month.







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