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Meet NASA Astronaut and Artemis II Pilot Victor Glover



NASA astronaut Victor Glover is a member of the Artemis Team, a select group of astronauts charged with focusing on the development and training efforts for early Artemis missions.

Victor J. Glover, Jr. was selected as an astronaut in 2013 while serving as a Legislative Fellow in the United States Senate, the International Space Station.

The California native holds a Bachelor of Science in General Engineering, a Master of Science in Flight Test Engineering, a Master of Science in Systems Engineering and a Master of Military Operational

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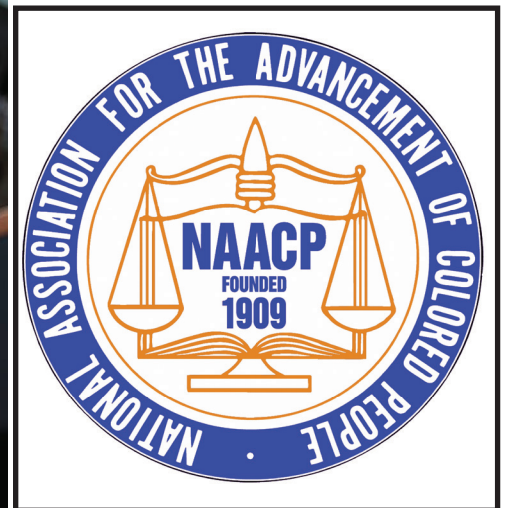
NAACP, for the first time in history, calls for 25th Amendment to remove Trump from office

Derrick Johnson, the national president and CEO of the NAACP, called Trump, 79, "unfit, unwell, and unhinged."

by Gerren Keith Gaynor
April 7, 2026



(Photo: Getty Images)



The NAACP, the nation's oldest civil rights organization, is calling for the 25th Amendment to be invoked against Donald Trump, marking the first time in history that the group has called for the removal of a sitting U.S. president.

The organization, founded in 1909, demanded "urgent action" in response to President Trump's "deteriorating health and increasingly delusional behavior."

A statement from the NAACP explained, "The rhetoric and actions emanating from the highest office in the land have reached a level of instability that poses a direct threat to the well-being of millions of Americans and the integrity of our armed forces."

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Greensboro among thousands of rallies across country for third 'No Kings' protest

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Thousands gathered in downtown Greensboro for the third 'No Kings' protest



NC Supreme Court Justice Anita Earls was the keynote speaker for the third 'No Kings' protest in Greensboro

Between 3,000 and 4,000 Thousand people gathered in downtown Greensboro Saturday afternoon for the third major No Kings protest.

Rallygoers held signs denouncing President Donald Trump's administration and calling on

the federal government to work for the people.

Catherine Holcombe, a Greensboro resident, said she felt it was important to show up because if people were silent, nothing would change.

"I wish it would make

the lawmakers get stronger and know the people are behind them," she said. "But it may be just that we have to wait and elect new people."

The rally was organized by Indivisible Guilford County, a progressive grassroots organization.

NEWS
NOTES

Greensboro residents call on city to rescind job offer to Dayton's police chief

Sydney Dawes, Dayton Dailey News/ Gboro-times



Dayton police Chief Kamran Afzal (left) was selected as the next police chief of the Greensboro Police Department in North Carolina. Several residents have called for the city to rescind the job offer. BRYANT BILLING / STAFF

A large crowd of Greensboro residents attended the Greensboro City Council meeting last Tuesday criticized the City's hiring of Dayton Ohio's outgoing police chief, calling on the City to rescind the job offer. Dayton police Chief Kamran Afzal was selected as the next police chief of the Greensboro Police Department, with City officials saying his start date would be Mid-May. Former Greensboro Police Chief, John Thompson retired last month. The Greensboro City Council regular meeting was held a week after the hiring announcement was made by Greensboro City manager Nathaniel "Trey" Davis.

Dozens of the citizens who attended the meeting, which the city livestreamed on its government website, pointed to concerns with the recent fatal shooting of Reginald Thomas by Dayton police in March and called for the city to consider someone else for the job.

Organizers say there should have been a more transparent process in which internal candidates were considered more heavily than external candidates, and the public should have been permitted to weigh in.

One of the speakers was Greensboro activist Jason Hicks. Who called on the city to take back its offer to Afzal, saying city management previously said public forums would be held in the search for Greensboro's next police chief. He said these forums to announce the finalists did not occur. "We need a police chief who understands compassion, accountability, humanity and most importantly, understands Greens-

boro", Hicks said.

Several speakers mentioned Assistant Chief Stephanie Mardis by name as a better alternative. One person cited her resume as a qualified internal candidate.

The news of Afzal's hiring broke in the Ohio media a week ago, forcing the City of Greensboro to make the announcement later on March 31. The night prior, a group of people gathered outside police headquarters in Greensboro to protest the hire.

Speaking before the city council on April 7, multiple speakers brought up situations that happened in Dayton during Afzal's tenure, such as the death of Reginald Thomas. He was a man who was stopped in late-March by police for riding a bike without a working headlight.

Thomas reportedly fled, and police say he reached for a gun. Thomas was shot and killed by an officer, according to WDTN, TV station in Dayton.

Speakers questioned Afzal's leadership style, alleging potential police brutality during his five years as chief. Concerned community members say Greensboro needs community policing.

Greensboro Mayor Marikay Abuzaiter addressed the crowd after public comment, saying City Manager Trey Davis, who has two decades of law enforcement experience, acted within his role, and the hire is likely a done deal.

"That decision is made, and I don't believe that is a decision that is going to be rescinded. I know that there are people who are disappointed, but we did support the city man-

ager who made that decision, and that is by state law that he's given that authority," Abuzaiter said. According to State law the city manager works for the city council and is hired by the Greensboro City Council to run the day to day operation of the City. Davis is a former member of the Greensboro Police Department.

Mayor Abuzaiter went on to say she hopes people give Afzal "a chance."

Community organizers held a media event after the meeting and said they are not done, and there will be a town hall on April 15.

Afzal's projected start date is May 13, according to city officials.

"I feel like our voices have been muted," Reverend Greg Drumwright said in part following the meeting.

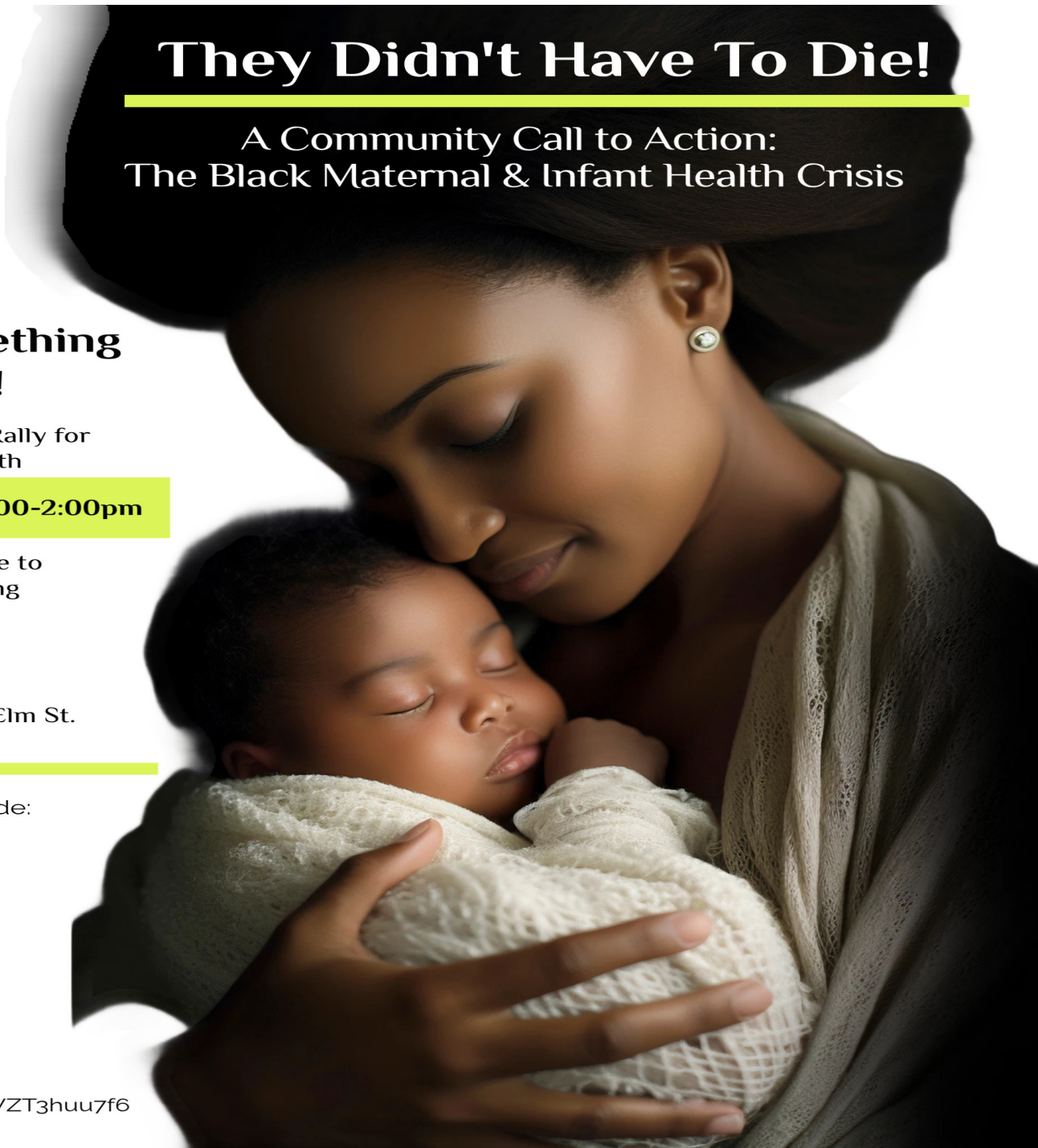
He criticized what he called a lack of transparency and questioned why the city didn't pause the process once a new allegation of potential police overreach was made in Dayton recently.

"I am calling for the rescension of the offer," Drumwright said.

Davis also read a prepared statement, saying in part that he wanted people to "understand that this is not a decision that I approached lightly. It is one that I made with professional experience."

He went on to say he also made the decision with a deep knowledge of the Greensboro community as well.

Afzal has 35 years of law enforcement experience, which has prompted some people to ask if he will be quick to retire from the Greensboro job.



They Didn't Have To Die!

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- Professor Mahmoud

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Serena Williams' childbirth story highlights Black mothers' high mortality rates

by Defender News Service

In 2018, Serena Williams didn't know that her childbirth survival story would spark conversations about maternal mortality and complications, with rates extremely high among Black women.

Williams, like many African American mothers, faced a matter of life or death when she brought her baby into the world. She made it through childbirth despite harrowing complications: painful contractions exasperated by a decreased heart rate that forced an emergency C-section in September. But Williams became a hero when she had her beautiful baby girl, Olympia, with her new husband, Alexis Ohanian. She faced afterbirth complications including blood clots that caused severe surgeries, but she overcame her struggles.

The tennis star shared her story of strength and survival to the world, a rallying cry for Black women who know her pain all too well. "I didn't expect that sharing

our family's story of Olympia's birth and all of complications after giving birth would start such an outpouring of discussion from women — especially black women," Williams said in a Facebook video. She acknowledged that many other women of color have faced similar complications and had their health problems go unaddressed.

The tennis pro was one of the fortunate Black women who survived grueling challenges during and after delivery. However, many women sadly don't make it. Black women are two to three times more likely to die from pregnancy or pregnancy-related ailments than White women, according to the Division of Reproductive Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This abnormally high rate presents a major public health emergency.

Disproportionate rates of Black maternal morbidity during and after

childbirth require medical professionals to devise a stronger arsenal of combat weapons, a task that takes much support and advocacy work.

"We have a lot of work to do as a nation and I hope my story can inspire a conversation that gets us to close this gap," Williams wrote in her post.

Williams recognizes that every woman who bears a child deserves the most love and care as well as the best medical treatments available.

"Let me be clear: EVERY mother, regardless of race, or background deserves to have a healthy pregnancy and childbirth," Williams wrote. "I personally want all women of all colors to have the best experience they can have. My personal experience was not great but it was MY experience and I'm happy it happened to me. It made me stronger and it made me appreciate women — both women with and without kids — even more. We are powerful!!!

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Art and Science. Glover is a Naval Aviator and was a test pilot in the F/A-18 Hornet, Super Hornet and EA-18G Growler. He and his family have been stationed in many loca-

tions in the United States and Japan and he has deployed in combat and peacetime.

After a successful conclusion of Artemis II space exploration to the

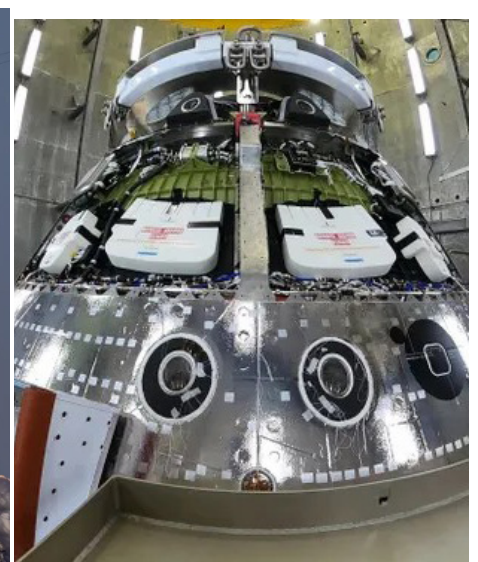
moon, it was a perfect landing for Glover and the crew when the parachutes were deployed over the pacific ocean at 807, pm April 10.



Christina Koch, Jeremy Hansen, Reid Wiseman and Victor Glover with their zero-gravity indicator "Rise" inside the Orion spacecraft on their way home. NASA



Artemis II Launch, April 1, 2026 - AmericaSpace



Artemis II moon spacecraft for Astronauts



Artist's illustration of Artemis 2 mission including the Orion spacecraft with Earth in background



Earth dips beyond the lunar horizon in this first photo from the far side of the moon captured from Orion on April 6. NASA



Artemis II Landing, April 10, NASA

'No Kings' Protest from page 1



attendees for the No Kings protest carried signs decrying the current direction of the federal government

It included performances from musical groups like the Raging Grannies, who sang songs calling for resistance. Several speakers touched on the importance of protecting individuals' fundamental rights.

North Carolina Supreme Court Justice Anita Earls served as the rally's keynote speaker. She said standing up to injustice isn't just a part of Greensboro's past, it's woven into the city's soul.

"The message today echoing through this crowd and everywhere

across this country is unmistakable," Earls said. "We do not bow to rulers."

Attendee Bill McDonald said he came out in solidarity because he's concerned about how Immigration and Customs Enforcement is treating people.

"It has to go back to voting," McDonald said. "Vote these people out. I think the message is clear."

Claudia Lange, an organizer with Indivisible Guilford County, shared similar sentiments.

"Rallies are important in their own right, and they get people excited," she said. "However, the real extra work is in between rallies. We want to see people get involved by canvassing. We want to make sure that people are voting any and every single time that they can."

The No Kings protest in Greensboro was one of thousands nationwide, including a rally nearby in Winston-Salem.

by DJ Simmon

Pentagon Official Threatens Vatican And Pope Leo XIV Over Iran War Criticism

The threat came after Pope Leo XIV delivered his State of the World speech, in which he urged world leaders to lay down their weapons and choose peace.

by Zack Linly 4/09/26



On a regular basis, members of the Trump administration, especially President Donald Trump himself, prove they are not the champions of free speech that they purport themselves to be, and now their glaring constitutional hypocrisy has Pentagon officials threatening the Vatican and Pope Leo XIV — who is no fan of the president — just because the pope joined most of the world in criticizing Trump’s disastrous war on Iran.

According to a detailed report by the Free Press, on Easter Sunday, while Trump was threatening to bomb Iran’s bridges and power plants and unleash “Hell” on the nation, Leo XIV, born Robert Francis Prevost, delivered his State of the World speech, during which he urged world leaders to lay down their weapons, choose peace and relieve themselves of the “desire to dominate others.” The global leader of the Catholic Church also condemned “the imperialist occupation of the world” and warned that God rejects the prayers “of those who wage war” — which seems to be a direct rebuke of Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth, who has been hosting a monthly Christian worship service at the Pentagon since the Iran war began, and has been praying to his god that “every round find its mark against the enemies of righteousness and our great nation.”

So, according to the Free Press, Leo’s speech angered some officials at the Pentagon, resulting in Cardi-

nal Christophe Pierre, the Vatican’s U.S. representative, being summoned to a closed-door Pentagon meeting, where he received a stern lecture from Undersecretary of Defense for Policy Elbridge Colby, who reportedly told Pierre: “The United States has the military power to do whatever it wants in the world. The Catholic Church had better take its side.”

Besides the fact that these so-called Christian leaders of a so-called Christian nation are out here threatening to unleash the U.S. military on the world’s highest authority on all things Christ, just because the pope said things that are Christ-like, we really should be more concerned that Trump officials keep boasting about how they can do anything they want because they have the most powerful military.

Remember when Trump was talking about “running” Venezuela and taking over Greenland, and White House Chief of Staff Stephen Miller defended those remarks by beating his little bird chest and declaring, “We are in charge because we have the United States military stationed outside the country,” and “we’re a superpower, and under President Trump, we are going to conduct ourselves as a superpower” as if he himself had ever served even a day in the U.S. military.

MAGA minions keep defending the Trump administration against allegations that it’s an authoritarian regime, and the administration just keeps undermining that defense by

vocally vindicating its accusers.

The truth is that Trump and his band of stooges — who have been given way more power than incompetent, imbecilic sycophants like them should ever have — have been scrambling and struggling to control the narrative around which side is “winning” regarding the conflict in Iran, and they’ve been getting increasingly frustrated with endless criticism, both globally and domestically, and the growing consensus that this war and the administration’s lack of competent leadership makes the nation look weak.

Trump is even out here threatening news outlets for reporting statements of “victory” made by Iranian leadership that have also been reported by Iranian media, which brings us to a reminder that the Pentagon recently tried to ban every mainstream news outlet from reporting on it after all of those outlets refused to bend to its new policy that reporters cannot obtain or solicit any information that hasn’t been pre-approved by the Department of Defense. Thankfully, a federal judge stepped in and essentially told Hegseth and other Pentagon officials that they were out of their freedom-of-the-press-defying minds.

This administration is demonstrably an authoritarian regime, and if the pope ain’t even safe from it, then who is?

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The Shout-Out Line

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Good morning, just finish reading about Trump's ceasefire deal with Iran. You know Donald Trump spent years attacking President Obama's Iran deal, calling it "the worst deal ever". But when you compare the details side by side, the difference is telling, and not in Trump's favor. The Obama Iran deal left the Strait of Hormuz open for free. Trump's ceasefire. The Trump ceasefire deal, the Strait of Hormuz is closed, and fees imposed. Obama's deal limited Iran's uranium enrichment with strict monitoring and international inspectors allowed for compliance verification. Trump's ceasefire deal has no guaranteed limits on uranium enrichment, no guarantee against nuclear weapons, and no inspectors allowed monitor limits on enrichment of uranium. Well, there it is, Trump "The Art of the Deal" is no deal at all. What it tells me is that DEI policies ensure that qualified, talented people get an equal and fair chance to perform and that White skin privilege as a qualifier breeds incompetence. With Trump and his top administrators,

Shout-Out

Hello, last week, the North Carolina Supreme Court threw our kids to the wolves. They threw out the 32-year-old Leandro school funding case. The decision throws out a 2023 court order that would have provided the North Carolina school system with an added \$677 million in state education funding and could have led to billions of dollars in court ordered funding. The Republican majority on the court voted to dismiss the case. What are some of these elites trying to do, create a bigger pool of potential MAGA group that they can continue to use and abuse for their own benefit and to the detriment of MAGA. Keep them dumb and uneducated and you can convince them to unknowingly be working against their interest. The elite can afford to educate their kids in private schools. It is essential to maintain a committed effort towards securing sufficient funding for schools, ensuring that children receive a quality education. We must build legislative pressure through statewide coalitions of parents, educators and rural residents and demand funding from the legislature and organize voter education around candidates' school funding positions. Document unmet constitutional obligations to support future federal or civil rights claims. The Supreme Court looking out for our children to get a sound basic education is like the wolves guarding the hen house.

Shout-Out

Hello, feeling real good about myself. Blood Pressure is still holding good at 122/78---I think I must have perfected the art of weeding out and ignoring BS--- and finding even more to love about the people and things I love. Yes!

Shout-Out

Hey G-times, Incompetence in the White House is running wild from Trump and his entire administration to those spinless republican rats in Congress and the Senate. In this war with Iran, America is playing checkers while the Iranians are playing chess. The Iranians are very strategic and have a plan. You can tell the Iranian leadership seems to have competent thinking people who have training, experience and expertise in what they are doing. But Trump and his handpicked nitwits consistently demonstrate the opposite-- incompetence, delusional about their lack of knowledge, inexperienced and unlearned in the positions that they hold. The only requirement they needed to get an administration appointment was to worship him and do his bidding. They are a bunch of clowns running into each other and lying every day to the American people. It's terrifying what they are doing to this country. Now, thanks to the incompetent Trump administration and those women, whites, blacks, and all who voted him in--- when they knew full well, he was incompetent, disrespectful, a racist, a bigot, a liar, a cheater, a misogynist, a criminal, and an advocate of violence---we are all now sitting ducks. So, this is where we are and what we get because American voters knowingly voted for incompetence. Even though he told you and demonstrated who he was, you voted for him anyway. Who does this!!! The 93% of Black people and those who voted against Trump, we tried to tell y'all. But no, you just wouldn't listen. Now look at what you got! I hope that you Trump voters have had enough and will vote him and the republicans out of office beginning with the midterms in November. If you don't, you ain't seen nothing yet!!! Sorry G-times for my rant, but I just had to get this off my chest.

Shout-Out

What up, G-Times, They say money doesn't bring you happiness. I say neither does being broke.

Publisher's View



Earl Jones, Publisher
The Greensboro Times

Trump is Robin Hood in Reverse: "Its the economy stupid"



Robin Hood



Donald Trump, the Liar-in-Chief said he would make the American economy better on day one. He said would end infaltion and make America affordable again, Well, that was a lie on day one. The primary people who have benefited from his policies have bee the ,5% super rich in the, the wealthy.

In American folklore, Robin Hood stole from the rich to help the poor. Donald Trump's economic and political agenda flips that legend on its head. Trump governs as Robin Hood in reverse—taking from working Americans and redistributing wealth and financial security upward to the rich who don't need it.

James Carville's famous 1992 political reminder—"It's the economy, stupid"—still defines American elections. But today the question facing voters in November is simpler: Who benefits from Trump's economy?

Across the country, families confront rising grocery bills, higher rent, and stubbornly expensive gasoline. Tariffs marketed as economic patriotism function as hidden taxes on consumers. When tariffs raise import costs, corporations pass those costs directly to shoppers. The result is not economic nationalism—it is higher checkout prices accross America and Food Lion and Harris teeter stores right here in Greensboro.

Meanwhile, wage growth has lagged behind everyday expenses. The promise of relief for middle- and working-class households has collided with policies that inflate costs while offering little structural support.

Robin Hood helped villagers survive hard times. Trump-era economics often asks them to bear the burden.

The danger intensifies with escalating unnecessary war of choice involving Iran and instability around the Strait of Hormuz, through which roughly a fifth of global oil flows. Military confrontation threatens energy markets immediately. Even rumors of an ongoing war disruption drive up oil prices, which translate into higher gas prices we have all experienced within the last six weeks at gas station locally and nationwide.

At the same time, a proposed \$1.5 trillion defense budget tied to war readiness shifts national priorities toward militarization. Every dollar directed toward expanded war capacity is a dollar not invested in housing, healthcare, education, or infrastructure.

Trump has proposed a \$1.5 trillion defense budget - a 40% increase , the largest since World War II. In exchange for more war he wants to cut \$10.7 billion for housing, \$8.5 billion for K-12 programs, eliminate \$1.6 billion for youth training programs, eliminate \$775 million in food assistance grants, cut \$5 billion from the Nationa Institues of Health and much more.

In reverse Robin Hood fashion, public resources move away from social investment toward defense contractors and geopolitical war escalation.

Trump champions sweeping tax and spending packages—often branded as bold economic renewal. Yet versions of the so-called "big beautiful bill" follow a familiar pattern: tax relief heavily tilted toward corporations and wealthy households alongside cuts or freezes to domestic programs.

Programs that stabilize working families—food assistance, housing support, education funding, and Medicaid healthcare access—face reductions in the name of fiscal disci-

pline.

Lower taxes for the wealthy combine with reduced public investment for everyone else. The wealthy accumulate assets; ordinary Americans lose economic security.

Even Trump's political base feels the contradiction. American farmers depend heavily on immigrant labor to harvest crops and sustain agricultural production. Aggressive immigration Gestapo type crack-downs shrink the workforce, leaving crops unpicked and farms financially strained.

Labor shortages raise food prices nationwide while undermining rural economies that once formed the backbone of Trump's support.

Robin Hood protected the livelihoods of common workers. Reverse Robin Hood policies destabilize them.

In summary,tariffs raise consumer prices. Iran war tensions push gas prices higher. Domestic programs cuts reduce economic safety netss. Tax breaks disproportionately benefit the wealthy and defense spending expands while affordability worsens.

This is not populism. It is redistribution—from the many to the few.

Trump's political rhetoric speaks the language of forgotten Americans, but policy outcomes increasingly reward concentrated wealth and corporate power. The mythology promises rescue; the economics deliver extraction.

Robin Hood challenged power on behalf of the poor and ordinary people.

Trump's governing model does the opposite—asking working Americans to finance policies that leave them paying more, receiving less, and carrying the economic risks of decisions made far above their pay grade.

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Calls for executive or congressional intervention have escalated in recent days since Trump threatened to bomb civilian infrastructure in Iran, including bridges and power plants, if Iran's military does not stop blocking the Strait of Hormuz. The blockade, preventing oil and gas shipments across the waterway, has driven up gas and energy prices in the U.S., turning it into a political nightmare for President Trump, whose war in Iran has been criticized as a war of choice, not necessity.

On Tuesday, after doubling down on his threat against Iran during a Monday White House press conference, Trump wrote on Truth Social, "A whole civilization will die tonight."

"In recent weeks, the president's erratic statements and actions have raised grave concerns about his ability to fulfill the duties of his office. This is not merely a matter of political disagreement; it is a matter of national security, global stability, and the very fabric of our democracy," said the NAACP.

Derrick Johnson, the national president and CEO of the NAACP, called Trump, 79, "unfit, unwell, and

unhinged."

"The rhetoric and behavior we are witnessing from Trump isn't just alarming, it's dangerous. When the person entrusted with the highest office in the land demonstrates a disregard for truth, stability, and the well-being of the American people, it's a threat to the entire nation and the world. Trump must be immediately removed from office," said Johnson.

The 25th Amendment, which was ratified in 1967 following the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, has only been invoked temporarily when a U.S. president underwent a medical procedure. Under the Constitution, a president can be removed from office when the Vice President and a majority of the president's Cabinet inform Congress in a written declaration that the president is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office. Upon doing so, the Vice President immediately assumes the powers and duties of the office as acting president.

As of now, it appears unlikely that Vice President JD Vance and a majority of the Trump Cabinet, who have publicly remained unwaveringly loyal to Trump, would seek to execute a 25th Amendment removal

of Trump. A poll conducted by the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) found that 89% of Trump's MAGA supporters approve of his war in Iran, despite a majority of Americans disapproving.

The NAACP said Trump's inability to "think clearly" or "act decisively" jeopardizes the U.S. military's readiness and "undermines public trust at a time when unity and strength are paramount."

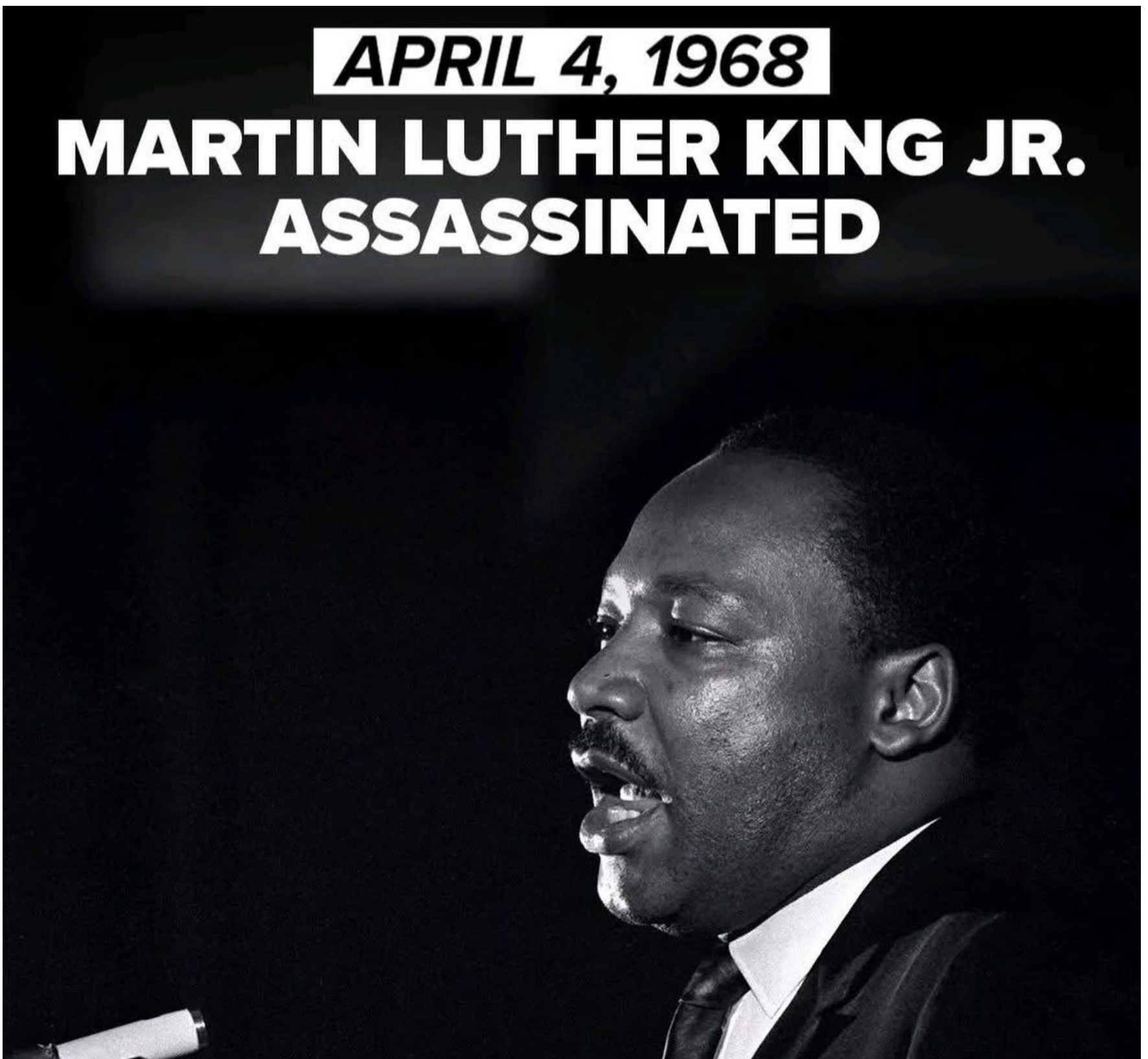
"The 25th Amendment provides a critical mechanism for addressing presidential incapacity, and we cannot afford to ignore its provisions," said the civil rights group.

The organization also urged Congress to "act with urgency," joining calls from Democrats to hold a wars power resolution vote to force the end of Trump's military operation. Republicans, who hold a majority in Congress, voted against attempts to rein in President Trump's war powers.

"Our democracy, our armed forces, and the safety of our citizens depend on decisive action now," said the NAACP. "We call on all leaders to prioritize the health of our nation and uphold the principles enshrined in our Constitution."

APRIL 4, 1968

**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.
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Poll: Black Parents Push For Kids' Financial Literacy As Costs Surge

Teaching kids fundamentals on key matters like saving, investing, and avoiding debt can help them make better future financial decisions.

by Jeffrey McKinney
April 5, 2026

Among the many who are facing rising costs for food, gasoline, health care, and other essentials, Black parents are feeling an extra burden: teaching their children financial literacy.

Some 78% of Black parents report that their financial stress now is making them realize how important it is to teach their children about handling money, according to new data from Intuit.

Fifty-seven percent of parents are more fearful about their child's ability to ultimately handle the fi-

nancial "real world" than they do about their academic or career performance. A similar percentage surveyed overall said they received very little or no financial education from their own parents.

Observers say an important reason for teaching kids about financial literacy is that it can help them develop skills to manage money early on and give them a stronger footing to be successful in their personal and work lives as adults.

Black financial literacy experts have long declared that instructing

kids about money is vital. It helps build financial stability, affluence, and fosters generational wealth among other benefits.

There are many actions parents can take to help kids build healthy money habits, according to research by BLACK ENTERPRISE. Consider using a clear container to show kids how their money is growing. Regularly discuss the savings as the container fills up with coins and dollars.

Inform kids about the advantages of paying with cash instead of plastic to make purchases and prac-

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PUBLIC REVIEW

Draft Comprehensive Safety Action Plan

The Greensboro Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) announces the availability of the Draft MPO Comprehensive Safety Action Plan for public review and comment. The plan identifies transportation safety challenges and prioritizes solutions to improve safety for all roadway users.

- The public comment period is open through **April 23, 2026**.
- The draft plan and **associated public input survey** are available at www.guampo.org.

The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) will consider the plan for adoption at its April 29, 2026 meeting. Additional details will be posted on the MPO website.

For more information, to submit comments, or to view the plan, visit www.guampo.org, email guampo@greensboro-nc.gov, call (336) 373-3117, or write to:

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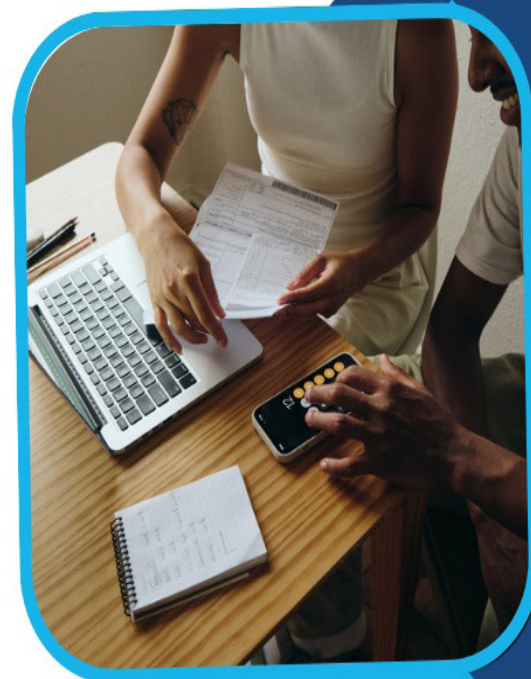
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Omega Psi Phi fraternity honors Minister Louis Farrakhan

by Jay Muhammad



From left, Bro. Don Enoch Muhammad, Bro. Sean Long, 1st Vice Grand Basileus Mark Jackson, Bro. Maruis Sagnia and the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan receives awards and plaques from the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, in Detroit, Feb. 21. Photos: Stanley Que

(L-R) Louis Farrakhan, Al Sharpton, Jesse Jackson and Bill Clinton, Attend Aretha Franklin Funeral, August 2018.

DETROIT—The chilled air outside the Renaissance Marriott hotel here didn't dampen the warmth of brotherly love showered on the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan as members of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., celebrated him with plaques and awards during a private Feb. 21 meeting.

A standing ovation greeted Minister Farrakhan, who was invited by Presiding International Sports and Entertainment Chair Dr. Mark Stevens, Brother Sean T. Long, Immediate Past Tenth District Representative of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., and members of the fraternity's Talented Tenth District.

First Vice Grand Basileus Mark Jackson was also in attendance at the gathering on behalf of the fraternity's Grand Basileus. The meeting occurred during the Nation of Islam's Saviours' Day 2026 weekend.

A vibrant and energetic 92-years-young, Minister Farrakhan accepted the awards before proceeding to light up the room with words of wisdom and guidance for an hour!

He spoke about his love for Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and his experience during undergraduate school at Winston Salem Teachers' College (now a university) as a lampado (pledge).

While pledging, his Big Brothers instructed him to read Psalm 133, which reads, in part: "How good and pleasant it is when Brothers live together in UNITY! It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down upon the collar of his robes."

Minister Farrakhan stressed that Omega men must work in unity to build their communities. Amidst this warm, inspirational and spiritual delivery, he reminded the men how God is "Omega and Alpha!"

He talked about Jesus and the

importance of obeying the Master! To get to Jesus, you must be willing to deny yourself, sacrifice and bear your cross, he said, adding that he has accepted his cross.



Senator Barack Obama with Minister Louis Farrakhan, Congressional Black Caucus meeting, 2005

While at Winston Salem Teachers' College (Winston Salem State University), he discovered that some professors were having sex with female students in exchange for "good" grades. Because he spoke out on campus against the behavior, he said he was ultimately blackballed and prevented from completing the pledge process.

The goal of his collegiate sojourn was to become a teacher. Although he did not complete his undergraduate degree, his subsequent Ministry in the Nation of Islam, under the Divine Guidance of the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, Minister Farrakhan grew to become one of the greatest spiritual teachers of all time.



Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan speaks at the Million Man March, which he organized. (Photo by The Honorable Clarence M. Jones)

Farrakhan stressed that Omega men must work in unity to build their communities, Feb. 21, during the N.O.I.'s Saviours' Day weekend. He said that he was a Lamp then, and he is a Lamp now, shining brightly! Minister Farrakhan said when he accepted his fraternity pin, he agreed to receive his membership because Omega Men are Men of Purpose.

"Omega men have contributed a lot to the growth and development of our people and institutions," he said. "And even though we've been unsung heroes, we've done so much to make America what America has not yet become."

On August 26, 2017, Minister Farrakhan received the organization's highest honor, the prestigious "Lifetime Achievement Award." He was also presented with a purple and gold Founder's Robe, fit for a king, the first time in the history of the organization that such an honor was bestowed.

In 2019, he was inducted into the fraternity and during the February Saviours' Day 2019 keynote address, he displayed to the audience the robe and other gifts given to him by men of Omega.



Ronald McNair was 9 years old when a South Carolina librarian told him he could not check out books from a segregated library in 1959. Refusing to leave, a determined McNair sat on the counter while the librarian called the police, as well as McNair's mother. The police arrived, told the librarian to let the young boy have his books, and McNair walked out alongside his mother and brother. McNair, a NCA&T graduate, went on to earn his Ph.D. in physics at MIT and became one of the first Black Americans selected as astronauts by NASA.

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Decades ago, a Black woman, Katherine Johnson, did the math that made Artemis II possible. Today, a Black man, Victor Glover, is piloting four humans around the Moon based on that math. That's DEI for you.



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On March 17, 2026, the Greensboro Business in Partnership with the North Carolina Enterprise Foundation (NC Free) presented Policy and Prosperity Breakfast at the Proximity Hotel in Greensboro. Many local citizens, business owners and government leaders attended the event for a dynamic discussion on infrastructure, small business support, healthcare and community engagement with key state lawmakers. Key Lawmakers included NC State Rep. Brian Esscheveria, Rep. Stephen Ross, Rep. Amos Quick, Senator Gladys Robinson, Sen. Amy Galey and Senator Michael Garrett.



8 Actions To Help Save Money On Gas As Prices Continue To Soar

by Jeffrey McKinney
March 27, 2026



The national average was around \$3.98 a gallon as of March 27, according to the American Automobile Association (AAA). That was up from about \$3.91 a week ago and around \$2.98 a month ago. The price has climbed 83 cents since a year ago, when it was roughly \$3.15.

Analysts attribute the surge largely to the U.S.-Israeli war on Iran, fueling rising global oil and gas prices this month. U.S. consumers, including Black Americans, are now being forced to endure the extra hardship when struggling with inflation, and managing money is already difficult.

Exacerbating matters, a fresh report from GasBuddy projects the U.S. average for a gallon of gas could reach \$4 as soon as next week. That reportedly would mark the first time the cost has risen to that level since 2022, when Russia invaded Ukraine.

Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy, said, "There are few signs of stabilization so far, as global oil prices continue

to climb and early indications suggest consumers may begin to pull back in response to the rapid pace of increases."

However, the uplifting news is that BLACK ENTERPRISE is here to provide many ways to help drivers offset the impact of losing money rapidly while cutting gasoline spending:

Combine errands: Merge these tasks into a single trip to reduce driving time.

Check out gas apps: Consider using AAA, Gas Guru, and GasBuddy to find lower gas prices near where you live.

Use cash instead of plastic: Observers suggest paying with cash rather than a credit card at the gas pump. They claim you can save money doing that. Be aware that some gas stations might levy a fee for using a credit card.

Avoid premium gas: Research shows this higher-octane gasoline is not essential or beneficial for most cars. As such, do not spend extra

cash to buy that grade.

Explore fuel rewards programs: Several grocery stores and national gas stations offer gasoline discounts for patrons. Try to find one near you. And be sure to link your purchases to the same account regularly.

Drive cautiously: Don't drive aggressively, as that can trim gas mileage by 15% to 40%, data shows. Accelerating rapidly and braking suddenly can lead to accidents and cause vehicle deterioration.

Reduce driving: This can be done by carpooling, walking, biking, or using public transportation. Another option is working more from home if that's an available option.

Maintain good vehicle maintenance: This can enhance fuel economy and peak engine performance, helping trim gas usage. Viable maintenance tasks, such as maintaining proper tire pressure, replacing air filters, and using recommended oil grades, can be beneficial.

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tice that. Youngsters mimic what parents do. Avoid using plastic every time you eat or buy groceries, so kids don't develop that habit.

As children become teenagers, talk about the value of money and financial responsibility. Consider setting up a bank account and pushing them to save for college once they start working. Those actions can

show kids why their role in prudently handling money is crucial. decisions add up over time.

He added parents should be aware they don't have to carry the responsibility alone. "There's a clear demand for more financial literacy support beyond the home, which is where schools and structured pro-

grams are stepping in."

Through Intuit for Education, he said, students can engage with interactive, real-world simulations that mirror financial decision-making experiences they'll face in adulthood, from budgeting to taxes and credit.

Automatic U.S. military draft registration planned by December 2026, filing shows



Soldiers salute the colors before the 2016 All-American Bowl in San Antonio, Jan. 9, 2016. The soldiers are assigned to Fort Sam Houston. U.S. Army Photo by Sgt. Bethany L. Huff



U.S. Soldiers from 1st Battalion, 121st Infantry Regiment of the 48th Infantry Brigade Combat Team provide security as a CH-47 Chinook helicopter lands in Southern Afghanistan, 2019 - [3300 x 2200]



Soldiers from the 3rd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division patrolling Dora in Iraq during 2007 (Wikicommons)

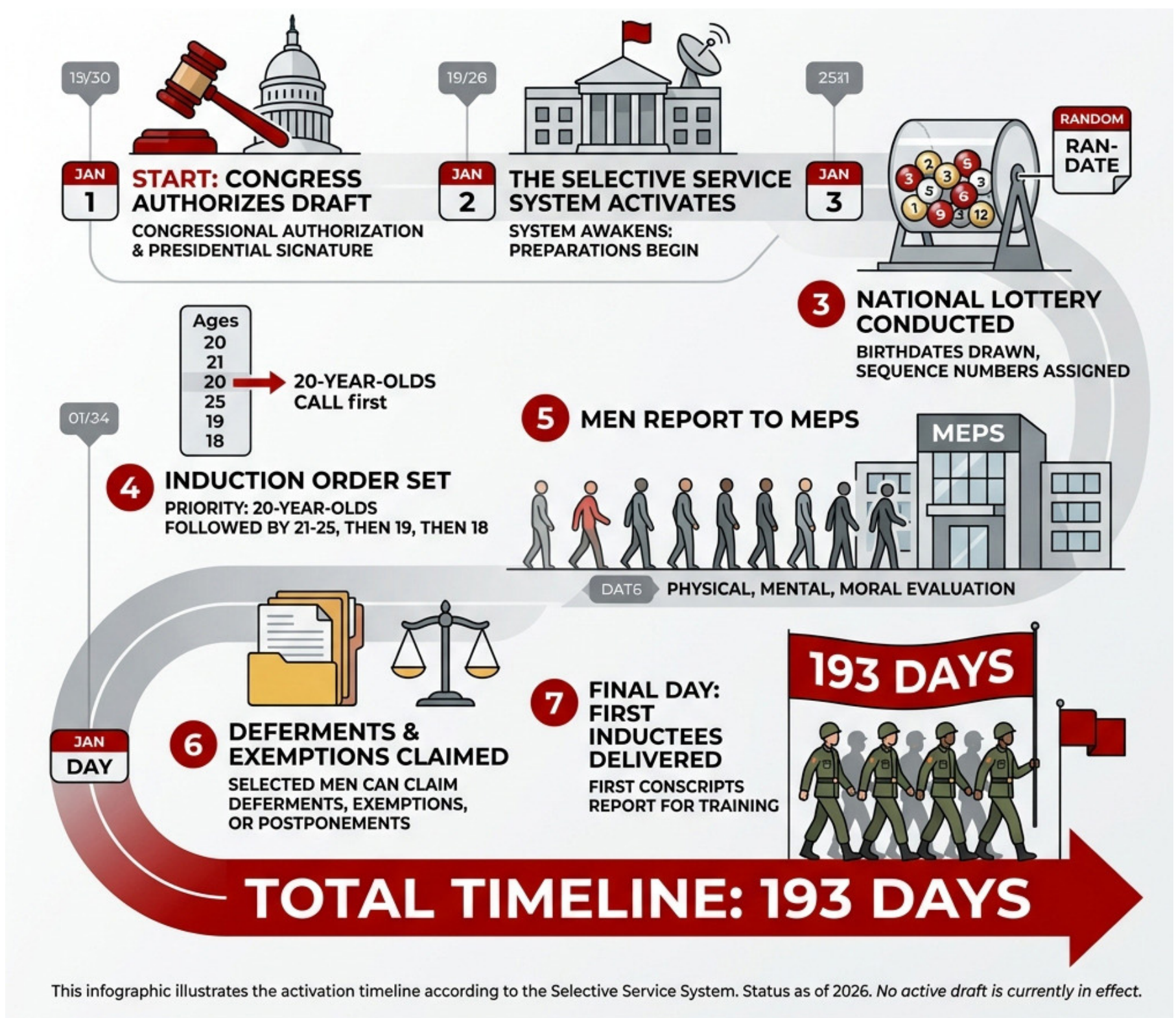
X The Selective Service System plans to automatically register eligible American men between ages 18 and 26 for a U.S. military draft by the end of 2026.

X The proposal would implement a requirement passed by Congress to include automatic registration for “every male citizen of the United States” between those ages.

X There has not been a military draft since 1973, when U.S. involvement in the war in Vietnam was winding down.

White House press secretary Karoline Leavitt recently said President Donald Trump “keeps his options on the table” when asked about chances of a draft returning amid the Iran war.

Here is how the military draft works. Let’s break down everything you need to know, step by step.





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