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- \*\* Cc: Sens. Bill Nelson and Marco Rubio of Florida (Attn: Higher Ed staff)
- \*\* File copies and courtesy copies to Alan Collinge, who I cite/quote

Jarilyn and Kathryn, with reference to my calls to your press office, I wanted to let you know that I've gotten the green light from 2 of the 3 publications, below, to submit a 700-word Guest Column and OpEd on the subject of current higher ed problems in America, and I've included both PDF attachments and links of my recent published research on this to give you an idea of where I am going. First off, yes, I am "the" guy who almost won the infamous Terri Schiavo (Fla feeding tube girl) case <u>all by myself</u> — Google me or visit the Court's website. So, you can trust I am a heavyweight Conservative, all the way, pro-life, and fiscally Conservative (against excess tax/spend), pro-gun, pro-Constitution, etc., as well, FWIW, and FYI- observe:

[1] <u>In Re: GORDON WAYNE WATTS (as next friend of THERESA MARIE 'TERRI' SCHIAVO)</u>, No. SC03-2420 (Fla. Feb.23, 2005), denied 4-3 on rehearing. (Watts got 42.7% of his panel)https://www.floridasupremecourt.org/clerk/dispositions/2005/2/03-2420reh.pdf

[2] In Re: JEB BUSH, GOVERNOR OF FLORIDA, ET AL. v. MICHAEL SCHIAVO, GUARDIAN: THERESA SCHIAVO, No. SC04-925 (Fla. Oct.21, 2004), denied 7-0 on rehearing. (Bush got 0.0% of his panel before the same court)https://www.floridasupremecourt.org/clerk/dispositions/2004/10/04-925reh.pdf

[3] <u>Schiavo ex rel. Schiavo ex rel. Schiavo ex rel. Schiavo, 403 F.3d 1223</u>, 2005 WL 648897 (11th Cir. Mar.23, 2005), denied 2-1 on appeal. (Terri Schiavo's own blood family only got 33.3% of their panel on the Federal Appeals level)https://media.ca11.uscourts.gov/opinions/pub/files/200511556.pdf

To begin with, my focus will be on the GOP's "twin failures" to avoid tax & spend legislation (tuition = type of tax, e.g., \$\$ going to arm of government, state goVt college, as here, and spending trillions to make/or/guarantee college loans, which is horribly extravagant spending, plus interest on said loans), and, since I can document that almost ten (10%) percent of total debt is college debt, something than can (and should) be eliminated totally (we used to NEVER have taxpayer-backed collegiate loans), we are purposely spending too much, and I predict that we \*will\* crash the U.S. Dollar (like Greece, Venezuela, ancient Rome, etc.) The "twin" failures" are 1. excess taxation and 2. excess spending. (While it looks like I am asking for Free College, I am not: That is a liberal free handout, but excess tax is far more liberal.) [[Clarification: We spend more on defense, social security, even mortgage debt, but most of these can't be cut much; only collegiate debt can be one-hundred (100%) percent and totally eliminated, thus preventing another crash of our economy, ok?]]

Also, the current bankruptcy code violates the U.S. Constitution's "uniformity clause" (Art.1 Sec.8 Cl.4), which is a special type of Equal Protection. While the Constitution does not guarantee Bankruptcy, it DOES require than any law on Naturalisation, Immigration, or Bankruptcy be uniform, and BK code is NOT uniform: (A) Just ask any college student -- it is NOT uniform, since rich folk and Credit Card users (with similarly-unsecured debt), and (B) from circuit to circuit, the collegiate loan standard is not even "internally" uniform, some circuits using the "Undue Harship" standard, and some using the "Totality of Circumstances" argument.

On a personal note, I understand that my friend, Alan, tried to ask Congresswoman Virginia Foxx, about this, both in a town hall, and afterwards. He is a good guy, and very smart, but he's "one of those Democrats," and, as such, does not have good communication skills like me, so I will step in and be his advocate, since -- as a matter of policy -- he is actually right (and, he's a "good" democrat, not actually seeking a Free College / Free Handout, like most of those on the left). Foxx, to her credit, is reported to have considered the costs of college in her answer, and made an honest effort, but, if I heard correctly, she was incorrect to assert that college was affordable. (It WAS affordable, when she and I were young, but now a part-time job in college will NOT cut it.)

Tuition has skyrocketed and soared because liberal Democrats made loans easily available on the tax dollar, which hurt taxpayers (on the hook) and students (since colleges jacked up tuition to match increased borrowing abilities), but then the GOP made matter worse. When the GOP-led House and Senate slowly, but surely, removed bankruptcy protections from collegiate loans, there was no longer a "Conservative Free Market" check against Predatory Lending. Think of it in 2 ways: First, Bankruptcy (theoretically) operates like an "Economic Second Amendment" when lenders try to price-gouge consumers, and Secondly, remember the 2009 Housing Bubble was bad, no?.. (The govt forced banks to lend to poor people who weren't credit worthy, and couldn't repay.) But those people had BK protections, and had they not, lenders would have piled on even worse, and probably crashed the U.S. Dollar. (Again, as Collegiate Debt is almost 10% of total U.S. debt, you WILL crash the U.S. dollar if you keep taxing and spending us into oblivion, and moreover, students hate the GOP because they protect Mr. Trump's right to bankruptcy, but not theirs.)

So, the focus of my columns, letters, op-ed's, articles, and such will be on the failure of both parties when they held complete control (House, Senate, and Presidential chair) at various times, but especially the GOP's failure. I am a Conservative first, and THEN a Republican, so I will hold lawmakers accountable... well, actually, I am a Christian first, so I will give you a "genuine" and "real" chance to see my intent, and then either (#1) tell me why I'm wrong, or (#2) apologize and pledge to pass HR2366 into law (bankruptcy, a partial cure for taxation here) and also start reducing loan limits (the spending side). I do note that Sens. Elizabeth Warren and Marco Rubio have introduced a bill to protect people from losing a driver's license of professional license solely for defaulted loans (which is good, since losing your chiropractorls or driver's license makes it even harder to pay back.) Barring 1, or 2, above, I will use option #3 which is to call out GOP lawmakers for violating the US Constitution, and being tax & spend liberals, who will anger students & crash the U.S. Dollar asit will happen on our watch, if we don't watch and pray .... and pass corrective legislation.

https://www.nytimes.com/2018/06/14/business/rubio-warren-student-loans.html https://www.law.com/2018/06/14/new-bill-would-protect-law-licenses-of-student-loan-defaulters/?slreturn= 20180924153029

I hope to give you enough time to make sure you know I'm not trying to do a "gotch'a" or a "slander hit piece" to stir emotions, but I do have deadlines, and I hope/ask you tarry not. If there's anything I can do to help meet you halfway, please contact me, but otherwise, the bills are attached, both my proposed bill and hr2366 -- and linked.

<sup>&</sup>quot;TipToHelpTrumpWin-HiRez-8.5x14.pdf" (Tips to help Mr. Trump win the election for president)

<sup>\*\*</sup> https://www.GordonWatts.com/tips/TipToHelpTrumpWin-HiRez-8.5x14.pdf

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<sup>&</sup>quot;GordonWayneWatts-vid-LINKS-andNOTES.pdf" (Video notes & links)

- \*\* Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=amzeBXpyWn4
- \*\* Cross-posted to: https://www.facebook.com/GordonWayneWatts/videos/10211786947414061
- \*\* https://www.GordonWatts.com/Transcript-for-GordonWayneWatts\_StudentLoanSpeechVideo\_Generated-by-GoogleYouTube.html
- \*\* https://www.GordonWayneWatts.com/tips/GordonsComment-to-DOE-and-SecOfEd-BetsyDeVos.html
- "15-485\_CourtsStamp-Feb09-2016-RECEIVED-Re-GordonWayneWatts.pdf" (Court stamp for my filing)
- "BILLS-115hr2366ih.pdf" (ENROLLED bill re excessive taxation; tuition a form of tax as it's \$\$ going to arm of government, state go'vt college here)
- "Proposed-BILL\_114hr-GWW-proposed-ih.pdf" (Proposed bill re spending)
- \*\* https://GordonWatts.com/DennisRoss-on-HigherEd/NEWEST-attachments/GREAT-proposed-BILL-114hr-GWW-proposed-ih.pdf
- \*\* https://gordonWAYNEwatts.com/DennisRoss-on-HigherEd/NEWEST-attachments/GREAT-proposed-BILL-114hr-GWW-proposed-ih.pdf
- "Collinge-column-READ-this-FIRST.pdf" (I admit Alan is smarter than me, so please read his column first.)
- "Tetzlaff-Intervention-GordonWayneWatts.pdf" (My intervention petition in the US Supreme Court)
- "TheLedger\_6-3-11-WATTS\_letter.pdf" (The Ledger published my letter and my guest column, which is in my "tips" PDF, above)

https://www.TheLedger.com/opinion/20160804/a-polk-perspective-fix-our-bankrupt-policy-on-student-debt https://www.TheLedger.com/opinion/20110603/allowing-student-loans-increases-the-cost-of-education-at-all-levels

"TampaTribune 10-18-09-WATTS letter.pdf" (The Tampa Tribune published my letter)

https://www.tbo.com/list/news-opinion-letters/beware-the-debt-trap-62424

"TheRegister 4-13-16-WATTS OpEd.pdf" (The Register published my OpEd)

https://www.GordonWatts.com/BraveRepublicanBreaksRanksWithGOP-HigheEd.html

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"First, they [Nazis] came for the Jews. I was silent. I was not a Jew. Then they came for the Communists. I was silent. I was not a Communist. Then they came for the trade unionists. I was silent. I was not a trade unionist. Then they came for me. There was no one left to speak for me." (Martin Niemöller, given credit for a quotation in The Harper Religious and Inspirational Quotation Companion, ed. Margaret Pepper (New York: Harper &Row, 1989), 429 -as cited on page 44, note 17, of Religious Cleansing in the American Republic, by Keith A. Fornier, Copyright 1993, by Liberty, Life, and Family Publications.

Some versions have Mr. Niemöller saying: "Then they came for the Catholics, and I didn't speak up, because I was a Protestant"; other versions have him saying that they came for Socialists, Industrialists, schools, the press, and/or the Church; however, it's certain he DID say SOMETHING like this. Actually, they may not have come for the Jews first, as it's more likely they came for the prisoners, mentally handicapped, & other so-called "inferiors" first -as historians tell us -so they could get "practiced up"; however, they did come for them -due to the silence of their neighbors -and due in part to their own silence. So: "Speak up now or forever hold your peace!"-GWW

# 10 attachments

- Proposed-BILL\_114hr-GWW-proposed-ih.pdf
- 15-485\_CourtsStamp-Feb09-2016-RECEIVED-Re-GordonWayneWatts.pdf
- BILLS-115hr2366ih.pdf 260K
- GordonWayneWatts-vid-LINKS-andNOTES.pdf
- Collinge-column-READ-this-FIRST.pdf
- TheLedger\_6-3-11-WATTS\_letter.pdf
- TipToHelpTrumpWin-HiRez-8.5x14.pdf
- TheRegister\_4-13-16-WATTS\_OpEd.pdf
- TampaTribune\_10-18-09-WATTS\_letter.pdf
- Tetzlaff-Intervention-GordonWayneWatts.pdf