

April is ow Ugly – April 2020

Today is April 9, 2020 and the country is not enjoying spring. The mean Bear Market since 1917 as it relates to a recession is a loss of 30% and 300 days in duration. Today we are at -35% in ~ 40 days. (per ML)

To recover, if we go past mid-April, will take 2-3 years at best. That is if nothing else hits us. Our saving grace was the fact that our economy was really strong. Second the 2009 recession provided a roadmap to help stabilize the country to avoid a run on ATMS and guards on bridges.

This time the debacle is more serious. In the last 20 years we have offshored strategic materials and equipment to China and other countries which interrupted our supply chain and endangered our health, economic and defense security. This cannot be allowed to happen again. We must address this national security threat and bring back our manufacturing of strategic goods, even if it is only 50% of the volume. Even relying on good allies as a source of supplies has to be tempered. They have to protect their citizens first and they should, just as we do.

In terms of getting materials, building hospitals, drugs and supplies our corporations and the Army Corp of Engineers, stepped up to the plate and have done a tremendous job of responding to the crisis. This should not go unnoticed nor unappreciated. As much as I am not in favor of federal government intervention this time it was warranted and, more importantly, it was effective.

I do not give the same laudatory salutes to the state and local governments as they were all over the place in what they did to respond to the crisis. Keeping people out of parks? How stupid. Arresting people for violating social distancing while letting criminals out of jail. Ludicrous. As I once was a resident of CA, thankful that I no longer am, I give the gov kudos for his handling of the crisis. He put politics aside for the sake of his state. Not so much praise for other states. They ragged on Trump until they hit a wall with the crisis. Then they came to Trump for help, he quickly gave it to them. Much to Trump's credit he did not say "I told you so". I am sure when this is all over, they will be banging on Trump's head as if he did not help them.

My guess is we open the country back up sometime in May. Too late in my opinion. When he does, the libtards will scream "it is too soon he is killing people". When the economy starts picking up and people start back to work the libtards will yell "he shut down the country for nothing". Trump will never be awarded his proper due.

The serious lesson to learn here is how the public was manipulated by fear. The models and stats portrayed everyday by the experts have come to be viewed by TSF as flawed data. The medical experts, as did we, said models were always misleading, especially when you have no, little or tainted data. And the IHME model had all three. Even today the model is being updated with tainted data, as omitted to by Dr. Birx. She said all deaths are reported as COVID19 deaths, regardless of the underlying cause, if the patient was positive for COVID19. This is a material breach of facts. The model should have provided for this factor. That way one could view the actual cause of death. Now we do not know.

Dr. Fauci, the noted epidemiologist has let his notoriety go to his head. He has been the single biggest influence on the president in shutting the country down. Now he has to step back and let the economic experts repair the damage he has done. I agree that social distancing has had an effect, although we cannot prove it. To take Dr. Fauci's position until we blind test the event we cannot be sure. So how

does Oklahoma and Montana match up to Louisiana? Do not compare to NYC, Chicago or even Philly as they utilize mass transit which forces people to travel as a herd. Oklahoma and Missouri had no strict guidelines. How have they compared to Louisiana and Georgia? You cannot compare North Jersey to South Jersey. The north is influenced by NYC and the south by Philadelphia.

I am truly sad for all the small businesses out there that have been hammered by the overzealous Orwellian governors that declared who was an essential business and who were not. Every small restaurant owner that opened in the past 3 years has had not only their livelihood taken away, but their investment. Those with longer tenure may have a fighting chance.

In PA they are crying the shutdown is costing billions, while at the same time they shuttered the state liquor stores that generate \$500 million a year to the bottom line. Shutting down the schools for 15 days, okay, I guess. But now they cancelled schools for the year. Do seniors get an asterisk next to them for the rest of their lives as graduating without going the distance? Are they awarded a participation diploma? Or, have we learned our academia rules, regulations and standards are bogus?

Easter is approaching and for Christians this is the conclusion of Holy Week and the most important Sunday of the Christian year. It will not be the same with empty churches. We lost the pageantry of Easter many years ago, at least in the Roman Catholic Church, as ladies in bonnets have given way to jeans and shorts. The faithful will be a little off key this coming weekend. Can we celebrate Easter if we do not go to church? The only Easter baskets with chocolate bunnies will be at the homes of super prepared moms who have defied the satanic governors and procured the necessary plastic grass, chocolate eggs and M&Ms.

Our hope and prayers is that the country will rise up after Easter.

God Bless America - Two Smart Farts