## FREEDOM OF SPEECH

It's imperative that left-wing activists end their hypocrisy regarding first amendments rights. The **silence** on the alt-left and in the media **is deafening** when the **freedom of speech** of Republican/conservatives **is under attack or suppressed**. For example: radical groups at U.C. Berkeley resort to violence and riotous conduct in protest of conservative lecturers/guest speakers. Simply put, their actions contradict the first amendment. The mainstream media and those on the left are reluctant to condemn groups like ANTIFA and BLM who openly attack and suppress the first amendment rights of Republicans/conservatives.

A look at other examples of their hypocrisy. Kneeling in protest to the National Anthem and the American flag during the opening ceremony of sporting events is viewed by the left as "Freedom of Speech" while on the other hand, kneeling to pray silently at the same event is viciously condemned. I soundly reject the foul language the President Trump used when he addressed this issue. On the contrary, I agree with him that as Americans we should respect our flag and anthem despite the political differences.

When the Cowboys wanted to wear decals on their helmets to honor the five Dallas police officers killed in the line of duty, the NFL blocked it. These slain officers were protecting protesters; protecting their right to protest; protecting the first amendment.

Groups on the left with help from the media have mastered the art of deception and exclusion. They work overtime to make sure that what they report promotes and projects the narratives, opinions and views of the left. MSNBC, CNN, The New York Times and countless other media outlets persistently attack the Trump Administration while they persistently ignore the indiscretions and misconduct by bad actors on the left. Hillary Clinton has not been held accountable for lying about Benghazi, "pay to play" mishandling classified documents and destroying evidence. Little to no coverage on Senator Bob Menendez's criminal trial; Anthony Weiner; Debbie W. Schultz and the list goes on. Just today the President signed a \$200 million-dollar bill to promote computer education and the left-wing media ignored the event. Moreover, replaced the happy faces of all the young students who attended the signing at the White House with negative stories about President Trump.

I firmly support and defend the U.S. Constitution. I believe that we should salute our flag and stand to give honor to those who defended it and to remember those who died to protect our freedoms and liberties. On that, I include members of our Armed Forces, our law enforcement personnel and our first responders. Let us not lose sight of the fact that these are the true Heroes and Heroines.

Finally, we must properly educate the most impressionable members of our society...the children. Today children are more prone to listen to professional athletes and entertainers (many of whom do not demonstrate love of country) and they learn to emulate their behaviors. What they need to learn are principles and values that can positively enhance their spiritual, emotional and social development. They must be educated about the U.S. Constitution so they will know their rights and will be able to intelligibly impact future public policy.

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