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First I want to thank God for the ability to publish another issue of the Westside Journal this week. As so many of our community are suffering financially from lay-offs, restaurants only surviving by take-out and some of our local businesses have had to close their doors. We at the Westside Journal depend solely on our advertisers; therefore if they shut down, we shut down. God has blessed us with such awesome and faithful advertisers. We thank Him every day for each of them and pray for their businesses. I humbly ask everyone to support our local businesses. Instead of going to the big box stores, go to our local hardware stores, support our local restaurants and shop at our local grocery stores. All of these and more is the livelihood of our neighbors. This is a time when we need to support one another. These uncertain times will pass, by the Grace of God, and hopefully we as a nation will have learned to humble ourselves and appreciate what God has done for us.

You know I have to throw a little politics into this. Remember when the supposed whistle blower accused President Trump of quid pro quo, which led to the eventual partisan impeachment of President Trump? Nancy Pelosi and her gaggle of fellow democrats have done the exact same thing that they falsely accused our President of. Their quid pro quo is factual but it's now called politics. Our illustrious democrat controlled House of Representatives held the American citizens as hostage in their attempt to push their radical agenda upon our country. They held up the bi-partisan stimulus bill to help Americans financially during this COVID-19 saga. Why? Because as House Majority Whip James Clyburn stated, "This was a tremendous opportunity to restructure things to fit our vision." How low will they go?

Just a short list of what the Democrats were holding the American citizens hostage for were items such as the bill would eliminate "a minimum of \$10,000 of federal and private student loan debt for each borrower." It would force states to adopt same-day voter registration, also forbids states from "imposing additional conditions or requirements on the eligibility of a voter to cast an absentee ballot such as notarization or witness signature, and prohibits requiring identification to obtain an absentee ballot." Of course it didn't stop there, how about the part where any company that accepts federal assistance must give their employees a \$15-per-hour minimum wage. According to their bill, airlines that accept government money "must offset their carbon emissions by 50% by 2050." Then there was the \$11 billion bailout of the U.S. Postal Service, airlines must have union representation on their boards, Obamaphone program would receive more money and \$35 million for the Kennedy Center.

The democrats lack shame in a time to help the very people they are supposed to represent. Hopefully the voters will remember what the democrats did come Election Day.

As always...that's just my opinion!