

Today, I am announcing my run for president in the 2024 presidential election. I will be running under the name Grant Flagellate. This book is the platform I am running under and I want to start by making ten campaign promises.

1. I promise to give small one sentence answers to all problems no matter how complicated the problem is.
2. I promise to take credit for anything good that happens and blame all the bad stuff that happens on others. This includes natural disasters.
3. I will end all taxation and give anyone anything that they want.
4. I will perpetuate the belief that we do not print money and tell people that all the money they see is a result of immaculate conception.
5. I will brag internationally about how our military is the best while pretending that no one knows that we are afraid to use it because we fear World War 3
6. I will tell the voter that they are perfect and hold no shared responsibility for the dire straits that our country is in.
7. I will pretend that we must choose between private and public healthcare when I know our education system proves that we can have both.
8. I will do everything to convince people that being tough and being an ass are synonyms.
9. I will make throwing rocks at people that you don't like free speech but only if the rock is smaller than a baseball as we don't want anyone to get hurt.
10. I will have immigrant and immoral listed as synonyms in all thesauruses as well as institute a law that if anyone is accused of being an immigrant then they are to be burned at the stake at the nearest municipal building. There will be no more of that loser due process stuff and we will bring our children so that they can see the price of not being part of the elite that are American citizens.

Welcome to slugnews. Where our motto is that “we bring more desperately needed slime to the news”. In just a few moments Grant Flagellate will be giving his first address to the public in his current bid for the presidency. He will be addressing the topic of the Cartels and how to resolve the problem. He has approached the podium and we will go live to him.

Thank you all for your time. The Cartels are a highly sophisticated and well financed enemy that our country faces. To address this problem, we must first examine why they hold this position over us. This will be the first of many questions that I will pose to you today.

The reason that they are so well financed is because a large percentage of the American people are drug addicts and that means we have to follow that question with why are a large percentage of us drug addicts. The answer to this is that life sucks for at least the bottom fifty percent of people. Life itself is a struggle for many. The reason we will never defeat the Cartels is because we live in denial that we are the drug addicts of the world. As addicted as we are to drugs, so are the Cartels addicted to money. We can destroy one Cartel and as soon as we do, another well financed Cartel will pop up because we are financing them as a country. If you want to eliminate the cartels then there are two ways and both ways require us to stop living in denial of who we are.

The first way to eliminate the cartels is to change life in America for the better so that people are no longer looking to escape reality. This means a huge increase in quality of life for the bottom fifty percent of people income wise. This is really hard to do because doing so means damaging the bottom line of the corporations and uber rich. The wealthy will do anything to prevent damage to their profits and will immediately start lobbying to not help the bottom fifty percent get a good quality of life. That means the solution of raising up the bottom fifty percent to a point where they no longer need to do drugs to escape a crappy reality of working eighty hours a week and still not being able to pay their bills is never going to happen.

The second way to stop living in denial about who we are and eliminate the cartels is to accept ourselves as drug addicts and make drugs legal. The uber wealthy would love this solution as it opens up a whole new industry for them to increase their bottom line but this will offend the moral. The moral will fight this

solution because allowing people to poison themselves is offensive to the moral. The problem there is that the moral expect their morals to apply to everyone. The moral can't accept that everyone has a right to their own morals if they are only hurting themselves and no one else. Making drugs legal also makes a mistake that ends in addiction far easier to correct. The system holds grudges against people who make the mistake of getting addicted and that policy would end. Making drugs legal would end the cartels power and give easier access to help for those trying to escape reality.

This inability to accept who we are as a people and living in denial of who we are as a people means that the cartels will always exist. Until the reality sets in that this isn't something that we can kill or punish our way out of sets in, the cartels will exist. Every cartel that we destroy will be replaced immediately. We will have healthy and powerful cartels preying on the American populace until we stop living in denial.

As a final note on the cartels, some morons have decided that killing a powerless population on our border that have come for America's help out of desperation will in some way harm these cartels and fix the cartel problem. This is the stupidest thing I have ever heard.

When the cartels are told that harming this populace is a way to defeat them, they must be laughing their selves silly. These cartels build tunnels and rail systems to get drugs in. Submarines and boats have been crafted and used. Their addiction to money will keep them motivated to always find a way to meet the demand of the United States drug addiction. Killing harmless people on the border will in no way affect the cartels except to bring them happiness that our efforts and resources to fight them are being misdirected into useless efforts. This leaves them free to do as they want.

In a short one sentence response to this problem, either stop using drugs or make them legal but stop living in denial. That is how you beat the Cartels. Thank you and may God Bless America.

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“Hello America. First, I will tell you what I plan to do and why. Then I will open the floor to any questions. America is an experiment designed by the founding fathers 200 years ago. 200 years ago, they did not have the technology for a true democracy but using what they had available, they created what we currently have. They believed in the collective intelligence and used it to determine who leads the country. Technology has allowed us the ability to generate the true democracy that the founding fathers dreamed of and we don’t do it. I imagine that the founding fathers would look at us as failures.

I want to add to their work and use technology to help create their dream. It was an experiment then and it still will be. However, if the internet is used properly then we should be able to see if democracy is the way to go or if it is a flawed concept all told.”

“First, I will give the steps I will take to add to the founding fathers attempt at true democracy and then I will give you some theoretical examples of how it will work. We all have logins to the Social Security website and this will be the location of a polling system that will be capable of polling a hundred percent of the population with every controversial question. This is what the founding fathers could never do and what they dreamed of having. Every answer a person gives can change over time. If you vote one way then learn new information then you can change your vote. No problem. When you click on results, they will be in real time. We still need our leaders and our bureaucracy so everything else must stay the same but we will know the will of the people at all times. Our leaders will be better able to lead with the knowledge that they obtain from this easily created feature that makes the true democracy that our founding fathers desired possible today. Imagine a country where we can maximize the number of people who get what they want.”

“Now for the first example. One of the questions on the social security website could be SHOULD HEROINE BE LEGAL? My immediate instinct is absolutely not. I

go in and vote NO. However, one of my leaders suggests that I should vote YES after he or she introduces me to the Simpfors family. It seems the Simpfors had an addicted daughter who refused to get help because of heroine's illegal status. She overdosed. This leader also explains that the daughter gave all her money to a drug cartel. I think about the fact that I don't want people struggling with addiction to be afraid of getting help and I don't want to empower a group that is predatory in nature to put it politely. I login and change my vote to YES. When the question was first asked 80% of people voted NO but after this leader's actions the vote changed to 60% of people for the legalization of heroine. Now our leaders have to answer why they don't respect the will of the people if they chose to keep heroine illegal."

"Now for example two which is currently a hotly debated topic. What week in a pregnancy should abortion be made illegal. For this example, I will play the part of the leader. I have the question posted on social security's site and login to look at the results. The question has thirty-six possible answers with each answer representing a week. I decide to only look at the women's responses because it is their bodies and I have no right to tell them what to do. When I look at the results which are publicly available to everyone, I see that week 12 has the most with 65% of 200 million women who voted. That tells me that to properly represent the people, I need to write and support a bill that abortion is only legal in the first 12 weeks. If I feel strongly against it then I can tell the world why and I will have to face it if the consequences are the loss of my position."

"As a final note before opening up the floor to questions, I guess I don't really want to lead the country so much as I want to use current technology to advance the dream of true democracy that the founding fathers envisioned. I won't even tell you that true democracy will work because you don't know until the experiment is done. I hope the experiment lasts forever. I less want to rule and more want to empower the people. The next step forward in empowering the people and creating a true democracy has been available for a long time and no one has acted on it. I am running for president to change that and give everyone a clearer voice in the country and its direction. Now I am more than happy to answer any questions that you might have."

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“Hello America. I was on the campaign trail today and I was asked the following question: what should America do about these losers who spend their lives feeding off of society while the rest of us slave away trying to make the country better? I feel that a response to this is necessary especially since my mental illness leaves me spending a lot time feeling like one of the people that this man was referencing. The man asking the question seemed quite hateful so I think the answer he desired would go along the lines of killing these people and displaying their body so that an example can be made out of them.

My life itself has given me an insight that has led me to draw a different conclusion. My thought process starts with the fact that I have always wanted to realize my potential and I believe firmly that almost everybody has this desire.

What prevented me from fulfilling this desire? Mostly it is because I am afraid of people unless it is a one-on-one setting. This makes operating in society nearly impossible but the important thing is that even though I haven’t been able to realize my potential, the desire is present and extremely strong.

Each of us has a different potential when born. Some of us are smart and strong. Some of us aren’t so lucky. These smart and strong people are able to realize their own potential by themselves but they tend to forget their innate advantages. For the ones that don’t have these advantages, it is beneficial and profitable to society to help them reach their potential.

When I was young there was a commercial with a mentally challenged man rightful bragging about how he sorted glass. He had reached his potential and society had worked to compensate for his disability. Many of the losers this man was talking about are probably in similar situations and it is society’s fault that they have lost the ability to help all people realize their potential.

The loss of this ability as a society is extremely detrimental to society as a whole as I will now show.

Every person has the ability to produce some kind of service with some really rare exceptions. Money represents goods and services which means almost everyone is valuable in a society that is expert in getting its members to realize their potential. This is a quality that this country used to have and now lack. Our loss of this ability has us looking at the people on our southern border as a burden that we can't handle. This might be true but if society as a whole were experts at getting its members to realize their potential, then we would be increasing our wealth as a society by letting these people in. What seems like a drain on resources now becomes a very profitable thing if our country returns to being experts and getting all its members to realize their potential.

Give us your tired and weak and poor no longer applies because we are no longer experts at getting people to realize their potential. When I was asked what to do about these losers, my response is that society as a whole has to become experts at getting our members to realize their potential. Education is usually, and for good reason, the most important thing to make accessible but also finding profitable tasks for those of us born without the strength or genius necessary to reach our potential. I firmly believe that this is the best answer that I can give to this question. We need to become experts at getting all our members to realize their potential. Thank you and God bless you all."

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“Hello America. During the Obama election, he was asked by a child the question how should children handle a bully. His response was that he was never bullied and an adult should be notified. I admire and respect Obama but as someone who has had life long experience with this, I think that was an unexperienced answer to this question. There are two kinds of bullies, the abuse bully and the manipulative bully. I will give two speeches for children on this topic. This first speech will be about the abuse bully.

The first step in dealing with an abuse bully is to analyze them. I will use the scenario of being bullied on the bus when going to and from school. When faced with any battle, an objective assessment of your opponent and his resources is always the first step.

What does this bully want? He wants the fear, which he confuses as respect, of everyone on the school bus and is isolating what he views as the weakest individual as a warning to the whole bus that he is not to be trifled with. As the person that he has chosen as the weakest, this should tell you that you are now in a battle not of your choosing for the hearts and minds of the school bus. To thwart his plan your goal has to be to avoid isolation.

His resources consist of himself and usually a few cronies. The cronies are just as dangerous because unlike the bully they are just trying to earn the love of the bully and will usually do anything to get it. The bully’s attacks come in two forms, physical and mental. These are the two types of attacks that you need to prepare for until you control the hearts and minds of the school bus so you need to prepare for those attacks and how you will respond when they come your way.

Mental attacks are actually the most common attack and are easily avoided. Never give your bully enough respect for his words or gestures to matter to you in the slightest. This is the most common mistake people being bullied make. It’s the whole sticks and stones thing. I prefer to go with compliments or self-deprecation. A bully says you smell. I respond with it is nice to see you too. Or if they call me an idiot, I call myself an idiot and laugh because in truth we are all

idiots sometimes. This lets the bully know I don't care about the fact that I can be an idiot because I am aware of the fact that we are all idiots. Your immediate response to these attacks has to always be emotionless but if he is right and you do smell then fix the problem and start showering more. This allows you to use your bully to better yourself.

This brings us to physical attacks. These are hard but using the compliment response is likely to minimize these. Find a karate school or boxing gym within walking distance of your home and try to get taught in self-defense. This has all sorts of advantages of better health, more confidence and so on. You are unlikely to ever be able to physically defend yourself from the bully and all his cronies so avoidance is the best approach here. If you can take a dive then it might be wiser and if you have absolutely no choice but getting physical, challenge the bully to a fight after school. You will probably get beat up but it will be more likely to be one on one instead of four on one when you are on the bus.

Now you know what the bully has available to him and that his goals are isolation so that he can win the hearts and minds of the school bus. Never go after the bully directly as will be instinctual when you are angry at the pointless abuse that you are suffering. Your weapon of choice in this battle for hearts and minds should be kindness. Write a list of every name of every kid on the bus and observe for a week. All the kids that find joy in the bully's actions label as jerks. They are the last target for your hearts and minds campaign. The people who ignore the bully's abuse are the people you want to start with. You need to figure out what each of them is into before you start and then write them down. Tommy likes baseball and Suzy is all about grades and Sam is weird and likes needle point. With this knowledge then you are ready to start your war.

Watch as much baseball as you can and acquire a hat with the baseball team that is Tommy's favorite. Tell Suzy that you noticed that she is smart and ask her to tutor you whether or not you are good at her favorite subject. As you know nothing about needle point ask Sam how he got into needle point. Remember that the bully is a chump. Fear is his weapon but most people don't realize the power of kindness. That is the weapon that you need to use to win the battle of the school bus and prevent your enemy from achieving their goal of isolation.

Many people think the battle for the school bus ends when the bully transitions to the next weakest individual because his attempts at isolating you have failed. Don't make this mistake. Every time the bully transitions to a new target then you have your new mark. Use your bullies target selection to identify who the bully thinks is an easy target and befriend those people. This process should never bring you into contact with the bully directly and if the bully gets laughs at your expense just grin knowing the he probably isn't smart enough to understand your well thought out response. Each target he picks is detrimental to his goal and advantageous to yours.

This is how to handle the abuse bully but the next speech for children will be how to deal with the manipulative bully which in some ways is significantly harder. No matter what bully you are dealing with remember to be objective and think in the long term. Observation is the most powerful weapon you have. It is even more powerful than kindness as it often presents the weaknesses of your enemy and provides you with opportunities to achieve your goal. I wish you luck in your battle and hope this helps you in a completely unwanted and undeserved problem.

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I was in the emergency room and seated across from the nurse’s station. One nurse was explaining how unprofessional a janitor was for entering the ER in a panic because the janitor thought a woman was dying when actually she was giving birth. In an effort to be loved and admired by her colleague for how professional she was, she was spinning it so that a janitor who was kind and compassionate and caring was some great evil entity for being unprofessional. The other nurse remained silent but imagine if someone bought into this woman’s manipulation and fired the janitor for being a good person. The offending nurse was a manipulator bully.

The danger of a manipulator bully is that they usually never talk to their target and so it is hard to identify if you are the target of this type of bullying till someone you don’t know and have never interacted with walks by and attacks you for doing something wrong that you didn’t do or was spun to make you look like you did something offensive. Because the manipulator rarely attacks directly and chooses to operate from cowardly positions, they are very difficult to defeat and if they are comfortable lying, it leaves you in a position where the people that they are trying to impress think they know things that they don’t know. This leaves you in a position where if the person that the manipulation bully is trying to impress believes something untrue then that person’s retaliatory strike might actually be justified if they weren’t misguided. What this should mean to you is that when dealing with a manipulator bully it is highly likely that the people attacking you are

good people and innocent victims as well. Unfortunately, that means that often you can't attack the person attacking you if the situation was set up by a manipulator bully.

This leaves the approach of spotting and avoiding manipulator bullies as your best course of action. Some tell-tale signs are people who badmouth others when the person being badmouthed isn't around. If you notice this trait in anyone, avoiding them should be made a high priority. Instinctually, when events are either spun so that you are viewed as bad or even if it turns out the manipulator bully flat out lied, you want to deny. It is a complete waste of time and the bully will get a kick out of your struggle as well as the power they hold over the person they are trying to get to love them. Do not try to drive the manipulator away by being obnoxious but instead just walk away. Once you are obnoxious to drive the manipulator away then the manipulator will play the victim and say "I told you he was bad."

Finally, if you are the target of a manipulator bully then you have to realize that every manipulator bully knows either consciously or subconsciously of white knight syndrome. As a society this is becoming more and more prevalent with the youth most affected by it. I myself spent a period of time with white knight syndrome.

This occurs when people want to be engaged in a conflict but know it is unacceptable to engage in a conflict unless the conflict is viewed as noble to the majority. People who like to fight for causes are usually possessors of white knight syndrome and when they are fighting for something good then they can be insanely valuable members of society. However, this syndrome makes them extremely susceptible to the manipulator bully. Every manipulator knows that if they can make themselves out as the victim then they will automatically have the love of every person with white knight syndrome.

For me personally as I aged, I started just wanting a peaceful life and gave white knight syndrome up but you may choose different. I just want to warn you that if you choose the path of being a white knight then you need to be aware that you will be repetitively targeted by the manipulator bully in an effort to get you to love the bully. You should expect a life of being lied to and endless attempts at getting you to hate people that you actually have no opinion of.

The manipulative bully is extremely dangerous although usually nonviolent preferring to get white knights to do their dirty work. They don't seek power through fear like the abuse bully but instead they seek power of obtaining love at the cost of innocent victims.

Early identification and eliminating them from your life is the best course of action and never stoop to their level. Know that their manipulations through spin or outright lies often leave them being loved by a lower class of people and let that be enough. There are far fewer proactive things that you can do against a manipulation bully as opposed to the abuse bully which we discussed in my last speech. If you are a victim of a bully, I hope the bully changes or ceases being in your life. God Bless you all."

Grant Flagellate waited patiently for the next person to ask a question in his townhall meeting. The next person was a young man and he said, “Do you feel that what happened on January 6, 2021 at the capitol building was an insurrection and if not why?”

Grant took a second and said “No I don’t think that an insurrection is a good a way to look at the events of January 6. What happened is that a bunch of people didn’t like what happened in the world and threw a temper tantrum that resulted in a riot. It was really no different than the riots we see in cities across the country when something occurs that a large group doesn’t like. However, focusing on January 6 really detracts from what is happening in this country as a whole.

The attempts by an administration in charge to change votes and discount votes, boils down to nothing more than an administration trying to execute a bloodless coup. Trying to take away and silence any vote that doesn’t support an administration violates the most fundamental part of democracy.

Does it surprise me that America now has a bloodless coup attempt on its record? Absolutely not. All democracy ends in either a bloodless coup or a bloody one. This is the most dangerous thing that democracy faces at every transition of power.

Here is the fascinating part. The voting populace isn’t stupid and knows in their heart that this was a bloodless coup. The evidence is too glaring to deny. However even though they will all tout themselves as champions of democracy, half the voting populace wants to reinstate an administration that has a bloodless coup on their record.

These same people call themselves patriots as they actively work to install an administration that will do anything for power and that administration now has experience granted to them by their first failed coup attempt.

I suggest everyone watch the video of the bloody coup that Saddam Hussein committed because that can happen in the United States. The riot at the capitol is visually frightening but if the country stops and really thinks about it, compared to a populace installing an administration that thinks committing coups are acceptable behaviors then the capitol hill riots are far less scary than living in a society where half the people support coup attempts. “

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“Hello America. Today, I want to stress the importance of the need for us to become energy independent. If elected to run the military then this will be a huge priority but as you will see, problems arrive in achieving this goal.

I want to explain why achieving this goal is so important militarily. If you think of any modern war machine regardless of if it is ours or someone else’s, that machine is dependent on energy. Currently that means oil. If you think about it, a tank or plane or non-nuclear boat is nothing more than a paper weight without gas. Without energy independence our military is dependent on other nations to defend us and this is unacceptable. We need to be able to defend ourselves at all cost.

To solution is both easy and quite painful because it will damage the environment. I am not a climate change naysayer but one of the jobs of the president is deciding which evil is the lesser of the two evils. In this case we need energy independence but that doesn’t mean that we have to completely eliminate our obligation to protecting the environment.

We will just have to generate a think tank that calculates the damage to the environment and thinks of other things that we can do to compensate for that damage. Maybe we make more national parks or a law demanding solar panels on every roof in the country.

I don’t really have all the answers which is why creation of this think tank is so important. If we put some of our best and brightest to the task then I believe we can greatly mitigate the environmental damage caused by our need to defend ourselves.

I will also need to start trying to invest in the military making green weapons. Imagine a fictional weapon system that contains 3 bombers and 7 planes. All these planes are electric but they can fly around the world on a single charge. Just like the electric car, the first few iterations will be junk but also like the electric car,

they will be awesome eventually. We build solar and wind fields in unused deserts where they can charge up. A fully green weapons system is born.

It is unfortunate that we are situated between being able to defend ourselves and harming the environment but that is the choice we have to make. Hard decisions are the responsibility of presidents. After analysis, this is my decision and sharing it with the world gives the world insight into how I will approach my decisions.

I wanted to share this with all of you so that maybe it will give you the insight into whether or not you vote for me which is a huge decision that you face. We cannot be dependent on others and we cannot allow a single point of failure to exist in our military. God bless America.”

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“Hello America. This is a little different kind of a speech because it starts with a fictional story followed by a real analysis of the story. Here is the story:

A cop shows up at a scene where a sixteen-year-old boy has had his head bashed in with a baseball bat and the murderer is sitting next to the body in cuffs. The cop walks up to the murder and asks why he killed the boy. The man responds, “He was in the wrong place at the wrong time. I don’t care who I kill as long as they were innocent. The boy did nothing wrong. You see, I needed to teach society a lesson in consequences. I lost the best twenty-five years of my life to a society that spit on me, lied to and about me, psychologically conditioned me to hate myself. The amount of turning the other cheek and tolerance that I have shown surpasses anything in history but society needed to learn consequences. I don’t think it matters who the mass killer is. They are all trying to do the same thing. I think people who commit suicide are also trying to teach a society that has forgotten consequences and that society needs to correct their actions. I know my attempt at teaching this world that they need to watch how they deal with each other will fail but this death isn’t on me, it is on society.”

Now that we have all heard the story, I will delve deeper into what this man is telling us. If you spent every minute of twenty-five years being tortured, wouldn’t you feel that society had fallen? Would you attempt to save it? It is so easy to look at these people and claim that they are insane. Society is desperate to believe that the way these mass murderers had been treated by people in no way influenced their actions. We are scared to admit any culpability as a society but that is a cop out.

Humanity lives in a world where playing tit for tat is of the utmost importance. Everyone believing that God has provided them with the mission of punishing people who don’t meet our personal private standards. Everybody walks around thinking it is their job to hurt others and people quickly realize that anyone who turns the other cheek is someone that society can hurt without consequence.

The funny part is the people feigning innocence when the straw that breaks the camel's back lands. Those people say things like, "I was just minding my own business and he randomly snapped. Only a crazy person would do what he did." It is wrong to pretend that society played no part in killing the innocent victims.

Torture comes in many forms and not just physical. While physical torture is not permitted, mental and psychological torture is a joyous thing for American society and it is becoming more prevalent which is why we experience increases in mass murder that other countries just don't see.

If we want to see a decrease in these behaviors then we should stop singling the people out who try their damndest to turn the other cheek. We can't play a game of "How much straw can we add to this person's back before it snaps." We were not picked at random to face mass murder more than any other country but the sane people of our happy society operate in a fashion that increases these atrocities.

It is not OK to abuse anyone. You are not justified in hurting others because you think you are better. You are not standing up for yourselves by tormenting others. Your sadistic approach to others that don't meet your standards isn't a good thing and doesn't make you tough. It is time the sane, who are supposed to be so much better than the mentally ill, start taking responsibility for the fact that the suicides and mass murders that have been increasing in this country are their fault. These suicides and mass murders are the consequences of a society that all wants to be elite and also believes that being elite allows them the right to be sadistic toward others. Thank you and God bless America."

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“Hello America. I have been fielding questions about our dealings with Russia and feel compelled to respond to the questions of Russia’s war like nature and election meddling.

I would like to start with Russia’s war like nature. When you are a president then you have to walk softly and carry a big stick. My intention is to treat Russia with all smiles until the day it becomes evident that there is no avoiding a fight. On this day, I will secretly order an all-out military assault. This may sound aggressive but in truth it is how all world leaders must operate.

If this action becomes necessary then it is important to keep it a secret because surprise is one of the most valuable weapons a military has and as leader of the military it would be folly to deprive the military of this weapon. It may seem two faced but when stakes are this high then appearance takes a backseat to function.

I will also do this as quickly as I can because it doesn’t make sense to let your opponent get all their ducks in a row before the fight. I don’t intend to wait till any country has conquered half the world before I act.

With that being said you will notice I said IF THIS ACTION BECOMES NECESSARY. Although my opening segment sounds warlike, I abhor war and I feel that the best way to thank a veteran is to make sure that there are as few of them as possible. I will labor every day to find a way to soothe and calm anyone that I think can be talked out of war.

Unfortunately, this is sometimes impossible. Hitler showed the world how quickly a country can go from peace to a military presence capable of consuming half the world. We cannot afford to make the same mistake of waiting to stand our ground later if a new Hitler were to arise. I think this stance is firm but I also think it is a reality for every world leader which is why I expect the other world leaders to agree with this rather than view it as offensive. It is definitely not intended to offend anyone including Russia.

This brings us to the question of election meddling. We probably do it and every country probably is involved in it, sometimes without realizing it. I cannot declare war on everybody so declaring war on another country for election meddling is an outlandish concept.

What I can do is educate my populace! Online classes in how to spot election meddling and not consume those ideas is the best I can do for the American people. I would like to tap northwestern university in helping make these classes.

Once we are educated in a way where each individual can easily avoid election meddling then the problem will stop. However, this won't happen unless two things occur in society as a whole.

First, everyone will have to decide that it is a part of being patriotic to make sure that they are equipped to thwart election meddling.

Once they decide that it is part of their patriotic duty then they will have to sacrifice the time to educate themselves with the free classes.

A government shouldn't own a news outlet so it is also a hope that someone puts out a private publication dedicated to exposing election tampering by other countries regardless of which country it is. Consuming the right things from the marketplace of ideas is all our responsibility and it is about time individual responsibility for the ideas that we consume becomes a part of every American's life.

The other option is to start shutting down the marketplace of ideas and historically that has had some truly disastrous results. I will always champion free speech and I will not be party to a solution that tries to shut down some or all of the marketplace of ideas. Thank you for your time and God bless America.

Welcome to slugnews. Where our motto is that “we bring more desperately needed slime to the news”. In just a few moments Grant Flagellate has asked for an opportunity to address the nation on protecting the right to vote in his current bid for the presidency. Here he comes so let us listen.

“Hello America. Unbeknownst to most Americans is that the right to vote, which is your constitutional gift, is threatened both intentionally and accidentally. As time passes this threat will increase. It has reached a point where we have to take actions to protect it.

First let us look at some of the accidental threats that you face. If you are homeless then you can’t register to vote so these people have lost their right to a voice which is what the right to vote really is. If you can’t provide enough points of id to get identification then you no longer have the right to vote because you require identification to vote. As fear mongering persists, it will become more and more difficult for people to identify themselves.

Finally, if you have an address but can’t afford the process then you lose the right to vote. These are current impediments to voting that have naturally occurred but what threats exist to your voice that aren’t accidental.

Redistricting districts so that opposing opinions voices no longer count. Everyone knows this dirty task is employed by individuals seeking to use trickier to silence an opponent. As we have seen recently, the tactic of just ignoring the voice of the people or changing the electoral votes to not represent the voice of the people is more than possible.

Prison sentences also result in an ability to cease votes which some people love because they want to hurt the “bad” people. That’s grand and all until a leader starts deciding “bad” people should be determine by race, religion, sexual orientation and so on. The avenue for persecution is huge when imprisonment equals silence.

Our vote and its sanctity needs to be protected at all cost and not because it says it on a piece of paper under glass in some building. Our voice in society is the determining factor in ensuring that we have as few disenfranchised people in the country as possible. If you feel disenfranchised or part of a disenfranchised group

then it should concern you that people's voices are being silenced and our current leaders are accomplices to this silencing at times.

These leaders aid in silencing the will of the people because they are taking a short-term view of the world. They think to themselves that if I can just silence these people then I can do good for them. After I do so much good then in the end, they will thank me. These leaders think that they are hero's when in fact the people that they silence often wind up disenfranchised.

What is the danger of disenfranchising people? Well, if you get enough of them then civil unrest and in its most extreme circumstance, civil war become the outcomes.

As time progresses, the men and women rioting at the capitol building will become half the country while the people rioting in the inner city will become the other half of the population. When this happens then the two groups will tear each other apart blaming the other group for their being disenfranchised.

Making sure everyone has the right to vote is the best way to avoid disenfranchisement. I want the prisoners to have it, I want identification provided for free, I want people to be provided with two IDs that expire at different times so that they can use one to get the other without a million points of ID, I want post office boxes provided to the homeless free of charge so that they have an address to use for their voter registration. I want districts to be made permanent so people stop playing games.

These things seem so small and yet when compared with protecting the right to vote of every citizen in the country, they must be done and soon before new threats to our right to vote creep up. Thank you and God bless you all."

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“Hello America. It has been brought to my attention that this country faces a threat caused by a shortage of teachers and nurses. Before sharing with you the program I want to generate to fix this problem, I want to show you what the people are going through that I think will be ideal to fill this need.

There are many people working retail that are struggling and aren’t allowed to work forty hours a week because then their companies would have to insure them. These are the people my program will target to fill this void.

The lowest member of the hierarchy for education and medical fields are the teacher’s assistant and the nursing assistants. I want to add a layer below them called a teacher’s apprentice and a nurse apprentice.

My program will give each of these assistants the right to hire three apprentices. This program will require a commitment of eight hours a week from each apprentice and even though they will be paid nothing for their time, they will be compensated by the government with medicare for themselves and their immediate family.

Their retail jobs will no longer be on the hook for giving them insurance so their employers will no longer be required to give them less than forty hours a week. This should allow them to make more money and be insured.

Finally, online courses and simple certifications will be provided that will allow them to gain access to more official schooling. We can’t educate on the level necessary for these positions but we can educate enough to prove that the participants are ready for this schooling.

The end result will be far more hands-on deck in the fields of education and nursing. We will have more people insured and those people are not freeloading but have earned their insurance. The people benefitting currently see little chance of advancement but with my plan, they will have a path to something greater. It is a win for all.

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“Hello America. China is the biggest threat America faces in the international community but no one talks about their true threat and the obstacle that we really face in dealing with them. We are having trouble with them because of their expanding military, intellectual theft and expanding economic influence. These things are a result of one glaringly obvious reason, they can enslave their billions of people on a level that no one else can.

How can we as Americans expect to compete with an enslaved manufacturing sector without enslaving our own manufacturing sector?

I am not suggesting that we enslave our manufacturing sector but that is what we are up against. The fact that they can make a sneaker and ship it halfway around the world for less than I can make a sneaker and sell it to my neighbor is the problem.

If you believe in capitalism then you cannot get mad at the fact that they are beating us at our own game. I will often refer to the issue with China as the sneaker problem.

As individuals, we face the risk of becoming addicted to chemicals but as a society, we have strung ourselves out on being addicted to an enslaved manufacturing sector. We receive the benefits of slave labor while enjoying the haughty illusion that we are too good to participate in an enslaved manufacturing sector.

This addiction is going to be terribly hard to break and getting America off of our addiction to the Chinese enslaved manufacturing sector is going to be ridiculously painful. What Americans have to ask themselves is whether or not America is willing to go through that withdrawal? Before saying yes or no, Americans should be aware of what that withdrawal will look like.

The first thing to be aware of is that China will call our actions to shake our addiction economic warfare. This will result in retaliation and attempts of China to economically isolate the United States. If they are successful this will spell doom for us as a nation.

The second thing to accept is that everything will become more expensive. Those thirty-dollar sneakers that you buy will be taxed at entry to the country to the point that it is cheaper to buy those sneakers from an American. When everything you buy from China doubles in price, can a cash strapped populace handle that. Things are already jumping in price because of our COVID response.

Finally, people have expressed issue with China buying all our land. Using verbal trickier we will have to say any land in America owned by an American citizen will result in a quarter of the property taxes that a non-American citizen pays. Before you cheer, no one's property taxes are going down but we will have to raise and keep raising their property taxes until they leave. We have to keep as much American property in America's hands as we can.

Everyone agrees economic warfare is bad but there is a difference between economic self-defense and economic warfare.

You could also make the argument quite sanely that the Chinese were the first to engage in economic warfare and we are protecting ourselves.

I have a serious question for every American before anything occurs. Are you willing to face these consequences and probably many unforeseen ones to prevent American from falling to China's economic onslaught? They are not going to stop their juggernaut because we ask nicely. Shaking our addiction to their enslaved manufacturing sector means years of financial pain and economic warfare that we will lose if we don't take it very seriously. Are Americans tough enough to win this fight and are Americans willing to fight for their position?

In the old days the saying was when the going gets tough, the tough get going. That used to describe America to perfection but sometimes I look around and wonder if that is still true.

If I am president, I would want to see what the collective intelligence feels before initiating this response and I would probably defer to the collective intelligence for it. However, this is the situation and the only solution I see to it. Think about it America and may God bless you all.

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“Hello America. Today I want to talk to you about our leaders becoming comfortable with taking hostages and how it is always wrong to hurt innocent people to get what you want. It is ridiculous that our leaders have to be told that it is wrong to hurt innocent people to get what you want but it is actually the voters’ fault that people who believe in hurting innocents to get their way are permeating our government. I will provide two examples of this hostage taking.

First, we have watched our leadership hurt people in the military by denying them access to well-deserved rewards for their service. These men and women earned these promotions and yet they find themselves being victimized for doing nothing wrong.

Second, government shutdowns are standard operating procedure caused by individuals seeking to get their names in the news. Government employees are innocent people being hurt because our leaders aren’t getting their way.

The people doing this call it leadership without even realizing that they are doing nothing more than positioning the entire country where we have to choose between saving innocent people pain or disagreeing with our leaders.

Our children are watching this terrorism go on and learning from it. Our leaders’ tactics are the exact same as any mass murderer that you will find. People who believe in hurting innocent people to get their way have no right to lead and should be fired immediately.

At what point are all of us as voters going to stand up and say, IT IS UNNACEPTABLE FOR ANYONE TO HARM INNOCENT PEOPLE TO GET THEIR WAY! This behavior should be considered grounds for immediate dismissal and be considered financial terrorism.

However, it will not be treated with the severity it deserves until the voter recognizes it for what it is and refuses to accept it as an acceptable behavior. If this behavior has permeated to the state department, then it is no wonder that half the world hates the United States. This country has to learn to stand against

all forms of terrorism even the forms that don't involve physical violence. When is enough, enough America. God Bless America."

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“Hello, America. Today I am going to talk to you about the pitfall we face due to globalization. The pitfall that exists is that every country evolves differently and at different times. This has led to a playing field where we are at a huge disadvantage to other countries.

Many countries are currently at a point in time where they are experiencing what we as a nation went through with the robber barons. This begs the question of how can our economy face what is basically indentured servitude from our competitors. India and China are in their robber baron stage and instead of hating them for the advantage that this gives them, we should use our experience to help them evolve to the next stage in a country’s evolution.

What ended the robber barons was unionizing. It is a ridiculous hard thing to get countries to evolve to the next stage because the people in charge of these countries only see the bottom line. They say to themselves, if I give my people more money then I get less so I will kill anyone who tries to unionize.

What they don’t realize is that when a country unionizes the countries do get something in return. Even though their bottom line financially isn’t as much, they are at far less risk of a revolution. Happy people don’t revolt but how do you go about starting a union where a union has to risk death in order to defend themselves.

I think the answer lies in creating a global union that demands not money but a minimum quality of life. This levels the playing field for the world and allows the American citizen to play on a level playing field with China and India. This idea will not fly in these two countries because they don’t realize the advantages of having a people who won’t revolt.

To get people in China and India to feel comfortable in joining the union then the union must exist in every country where unionization is tolerated. These union members must shutdown their governments if their governments have any business dealings with India and China. This must persist until China and India

sign a piece of paper saying that there will be no retaliation for anyone who joins a union.

When this happens then unionization has come to India and China. They have evolved into the next stage of progress for taking care of their people. Countries that currently allow unionization can now compete.

The only other way for us to compete with these countries is to bring back our robber barons and take a step back in our being a civilized country. This is happening already which is why we see that 1% of us control a fifth of our wealth.

This brings us to two issues and the first is “what call to arms” can we do globally that will resonate with all people.

There is a different amount of money in each country that provides a different quality of life. If I demand a hundred thousand dollars in America to survive at a decent level then the cost is prohibitive to other countries. If I demand a two-bedroom apartment, a car, medical care and education then even though it costs a different amount in each country everyone in the union receives the same thing. This is why the call to arms for the union has to be a minimum quality of life for everyone in the world. It is the only call I can think of that is fair.

Secondly, it is not the government’s job to do this and you have to convince people that there are not only social benefits but financial ones to do this. 3.5 billion people paying a dollar a month means this union will bring in 3.5 billion dollars a month. This means there is a personal reason to do this.

As Americans, every election is spent with leaders telling us to bring our problems to them because they possess the solution. However, when you do bring your problems to them, they respond with self-reliance is the American way. This is terribly confusing to people like me which brings us to my final point.

The problem with having to compete with robber barons isn’t going to be solved by the government but by American citizens helping countries that aren’t evil but just haven’t evolved into the civility that we have from conquering our immorality. What I am telling the American people is that using modern technology, learning from our own past, and helping other countries advance to the next level of civility is beneficial for all mankind.

Now that you know how to fix the problems that we are having with China and India, the question I pose to you is whether anyone in this country is patriotic enough to take the initiative to fix the problem or will you sit around complaining to your government to fix something that you are perfectly capable of fixing yourself?

Thank you and God Bless America.”

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“Hello world. First off, saying that makes me feel like a beginning programmer but that aside, attempts by some individuals, most notably those dedicated to reinstating the USSR, will probably be successful at generating another cold war. While this is a foolish endeavor, I request that I can put forth before you all a voluntary UN resolution. Before I explain to you the resolution, I would first like to explain how the western block won the first cold war which will explain why we will win the next one.

The United States did not win that war through capitalism being superior to communism. The war was won because we had things like blue jeans and sports cars which precipitated jealousy from the populace of our opponent. As jealousy grew, so did resentment for their leaders and eventually they fell apart.

I plan to take the exact same approach. I will strengthen my military so I can parking lot the whole world if it becomes a hot war but I will not fire the first shot. I will instead dedicate all my efforts into increasing the quality of life for my people and my friends. I don’t think my opponents will be able to control their populaces when faced with the glaring superiority of the quality of life that my people and my friend’s people have.

I win either way. If my opponents respond in kind then everyone in the world benefits through increased happiness and if they don’t then their countries will fall apart or engage in a painful revolution.

This brings us to my voluntary UN resolution. Anyone can choose to sign or not sign but it will basically say two things. First, it will say that their government will not retaliate against anyone in their country that chooses to unionize. Second, it will say that the leaders who sign will not allow their country to do any business with a country that doesn’t allow their people to unionize.

The reason for this voluntary UN resolution is that it divides all the leaders in the world into one of two categories. There are leaders who view their people as tools whose sole purpose is to increase their power. The other category of leader

views their people as a group whom these leaders are responsible to. If a leader doesn't sign then I know they are the former and if a leader does sign then I know that they are the latter.

At this point, I now have a list of all my friends and enemies which enable me as a leader to know which countries that I need to bend over backwards to make sure that their people are living with spectacular quality of life. While I will toil and spend my days bringing happiness to these countries and their people, my opponents will spend their days subjugating their people for their own personal gain.

In other words, I don't fear the upcoming cold war because I understand that quality of life is the deciding factor of whether or not a country fails and not brute force. I believe my upcoming opponents believe the opposite and that will bring about their demise.

Of course, if in the future any leader changes their mind and wants to sign the voluntary UN resolution then they will be embraced with open arms. At this point I will work on increasing their people's quality of life as much as possible.

Providing my own people with houses, speed boats, and luxury vacations will always beat subjection of a leader's followers.

I would sincerely like to thank the UN for allowing me this time to address the world about the upcoming cold war and I desperately hope that no one chooses to turn it hot as my goal is to fight it by increasing everyone's quality of life in the world."

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“Hello America. Here is how I intend to run things in regards to congress and it will be a metric based approach. Because everyone has a login to social security, I will be taking advantage of that to generate metrics. I will ask all Americans to log into social security and take official polls that anyone including congress can see the results of in real time.

The only result that should matter to Congress will be the results of the following question. As an American, are you happy? This is the only metric I want congress to be concerned with. Even though I won’t have the ability to get this number officially until I am elected, this number is the answer to what the state of the union really is.

Though as president, I don’t have the power to fix this number if it is bad. I want to spend some time discussing two potentials for this number.

What does it mean if this number is at thirty percent? If this number comes in at this level, then I have no choice but to raise the alarm. It means if you walk through a mall then seven people out of ten are unhappy.

I intend to swear to protect this country against all threats foreign and domestic. The threat of civil war or revolution is significantly high if this is the result we find in the official poll. However, because this number is the responsibility of the legislative branch which for generations has dodged their responsibility for this number by blaming leaders of the executive branch, the only thing that is in power to do is hold the legislative branch accountable. Every day I will remind the voter that if they find this number unacceptable as I do then they need to fire the legislative branch.

What does it mean if this number is at eighty percent? This means that our legislative branch needs to be rewarded. I haven’t quite figured out what reward to provide them but I think that the carrot is better than the stick. If I had my way then I would always use the carrot and not the stick. I intend to spend all my days

campaigning for all legislative members regardless of party if they can manage to get that number to eighty percent or more.

Even though once a year I will approach congress to tell them the state of the union, giving them access to this number in real time and encouraging them to place the utmost importance on this number being as high as possible is far more important than anything I will say in a ceremonial speech.

I do want to touch on transparency and I think there is one item that I need congress to do and something I want to do when elected.

I found twenty lawyers and twenty writers in my campaign who have graciously agreed to be on call for every member of congress.

They will work with you to make bills that are accessible to the common man. Sometimes I think you intentionally make long and hard to consume bills so congress can say that the common man can't be a part of congress.

I don't expect anyone to avail themselves of the people who are willing to help make bills more accessible but I wanted to give congress the opportunity. I feel not as a presidential candidate but as a citizen that transparency is important and bills designed to make the governing body look smart obfuscate what is happening in Congress for the average man. Making the language simpler would do a great deal for making congress more transparent.

The other item on transparency that I want to state is something that I will do as president. Many people think that Richard Nixon's mistake was in recording everything but I think his mistake was in being immoral. Therefore, I intend to put a live webcam in the oval office. I will probably have to turn off on an occasion or two and I will definitely have to excuse myself to the situation room often.

Even so, I think having that webcam will increase the transparency greatly. I expect the world to see boring conversations and me reading but we won't know till a president tries. The end result is that greater transparency will help with a better state of the union in my opinion.

A quick note for congress and the world on how my religious beliefs will guide me if elected president. I am a Christian and there is one verse that tells me exactly how to govern. That verse is 1 Thessalonians 5:15.

“Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else.”

Some Christians might argue that everyone means just fellow Christians but I feel everyone means all of humanity. There will be bumps in the road and disagreements but if I can get everyone in the capitol to agree to this philosophy then I think we have nothing to worry about. I also need to get the two hundred some leaders of the world to embrace this philosophy. That is how I intend to save this country because I can't do it alone. If we all embrace this philosophy regardless of religious beliefs, I can't see a reason that we can't all be happy.

This concludes my campaign for president. I am always available if anyone has a question for me or desires my opinion but I see so many running for president and just going around repeating themselves. I think that is stupid and if I don't stop now, I run the risk of just repeating the same point over and over again. On election day, I hope to get your vote and God Bless all humans in the world.