Congressional Recess March 15th to 23rd 2025

OUR RECESS DEMANDS - REPUBLICANS

This recess is about making Republicans feel the backlash, and making sure Democrats stand firm. We are showing up, speaking out, and refusing to let anyone dodge responsibility. They work for us, and they will hear from us. Here's how to think about your goals depending on if you have a Republican or Democratic Member of Congress.

GOALS FOR HOLDING REPUBLICANS ACCOUNTABLE

This recess, we're making sure every single Republican feels the heat for their complicity and pays a price for selling out their constituents. Seniors, families, and even children will lose healthcare and go hungry under their extremist budget, and we need to make supporting it so politically toxic that they're forced to rework their plans.

GOALS:

- Make Republicans hold a town hall. Every Republican owes their constituents answers for why they're willing to risk a government shutdown to enable Trump and Musk's power grab, and why they support ripping away Medicaid and other essential programs. If they truly believe that their MAGA agenda will benefit our country, they should be eager to face the people they claim to fight for at a public town hall.
- If they won't hold a town hall, turn their silence into a story. Even if Republican MoCs go out of their way to avoid public confrontation during this recess, we'll be organizing hard-hitting events in their district, with or without them.
- Expose their government funding deal for what it truly is: a tax break on the backs of their own constituents. They're planning to slash funding to Medicaid, SNAP, early education, housing assistance, and countless other programs that working families rely on in order to give the wealthiest massive handouts. It's up to us to tell their constituents the truth about this outrageous betrayal so Republicans are forced to own the public backlash.
- Call out their corrupt alliance with Musk. Republicans are enabling Musk to make decisions and push policies that directly hurt working families while enriching billionaires like himself. We cannot allow Republicans to abandon their responsibility to uphold our constitution and serve their constituents in order to curry favor with Musk.

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR REPUBLICAN MOC

These questions are designed to corner them, force them to answer for their complicity and make them squirm. You can use <u>this website</u> created by House Democrats to pull district-specific data on how Republicans' economic plans would impact constituents.

Key Questions for Republicans:

- "Do you think those making over 50 million dollars a year should receive a tax break? How about 100 million?" Keep raising the number to force them to either compromise on an amount, or acknowledge that, when it comes to helping their billionaire donors, the limit does not exist.
- "Your plan slashes Medicaid and food assistance but gives Elon Musk a tax break. Why?"
- "How do you justify cutting meals for kids while cutting taxes for billionaires?"
- "Republicans claim to be fiscally responsible, so why are you increasing the deficit for the benefit of billionaires?"
- "Why is the Trump Tax Scam funding attacks on immigrants instead of holding billionaires accountable?"
- "Do you support using the budget reconciliation process to force Project 2025 on the country?"

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QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR DEMOCRATIC MOC

Democrats <u>have power — if they use it</u>. Republicans control both chambers of Congress. They can and should pass a funding bill on their own. But if their incompetence and disarray mean they can't keep the lights on, Democrats must not bail them out without critical safeguards. We need every Democrat to commit to voting NO on any funding deal with extremist cuts, or that lacks ironclad protections against the Musk coup.

Key Questions for Democrats:

- "Will you hold the line and insist on a government funding bill that has safeguards to prevent Trump and Musk from overriding Congress?"
- "Can you commit to only supporting a clean spending bill that does not have extreme funding cuts or poison pill riders attacking abortion rights, LGBTQ+ protections, or immigrant communities?"
- "If Republicans won't negotiate on safeguards to rein in Trump and Musk, can you commit to only voting for clean, two-week continuing resolutions that keep the government open without handing the administration a blank check?"
- "How are you using your leverage to protect programs working families rely on?"
- "Will you commit to doing everything in your power to stop or obstruct the Trump Tax Scam?"
- "What specific actions are you taking to stop Republican sabotage and fight back against the Trump-Musk coup?"
- "How will you push other members of your party who have yet to speak out against Musk's power grab to unequivocally condemn it?"
- [For Senators only:] "Will you commit to voting no on nominations and using every procedural tool to slow down or block confirmations while the Trump-Musk coup continues?"

GOALS FOR PUSHING DEMOCRATS TO USE THEIR LEVERAGE

At the same time, Democrats have power — if they use it. But they need to be reminded. We need to show up for the ones fighting, celebrate their courage, and remind them to hold the line. We'll push them to publicly insist on a clean government funding agreement that does not have extremist cuts or MAGA policy riders and does not give Musk and Trump control over our government's spending as well as to speak out against the cuts to Medicaid and SNAP in the Trump Tax Scam. And we'll make sure they know that when they fight, we fight with them.

GOALS:

- Call on Democrats to hold a town hall. We need Democrats to demonstrate to their constituents that they're doing everything they can to block, obstruct and disrupt Republicans' plans to ram through the Trump Tax Scam.
- Call out any missing-in-action Democrats who refuse to host a town hall. Democrats
 who aren't boldly speaking out and engaging their communities this recess must be put on
 notice.
- Ensure that Democrats publicly hold the line on government funding. Democrats must not support anything beyond a clean, two-week continuing resolution keeping the government open without giving Trump and Musk a blank check until Republicans agree to their terms:
 - Reject extreme funding cuts and MAGA poison pills attacking abortion rights,
 LGBTQ+ protections, and immigrant communities.
 - Include real, ironclad protections to stop Trump and Musk from hijacking federal spending.