

CITIZEN-SENTINALS' NEWSLETTER

Letter to Congressman Goodlatte

By Kathleen Hall

I strongly implore you to call for Prosecutor Mueller to step down as the Special Prosecutor.



Mueller's latest actions, in attempting now to personally destroy the President's private lawyer, go beyond any precedent a President has ever endured in our history. It's obvious to a vast majority of furious American citizens that Mueller is out of control and lacks any judgement or concern as to what his original purpose was supposed to be. His responsibility to the country he serves is nonexistent. His actions are destructive to the fabric of our electoral process that puts America above police state regimes. He is allowing us to become one.

The Republican party is destroying itself by standing by and allowing the destruction of our Republic by the very corrupt minority party whose serious, known crimes are ignored.

As far as many people are concerned, there is no Republican party.

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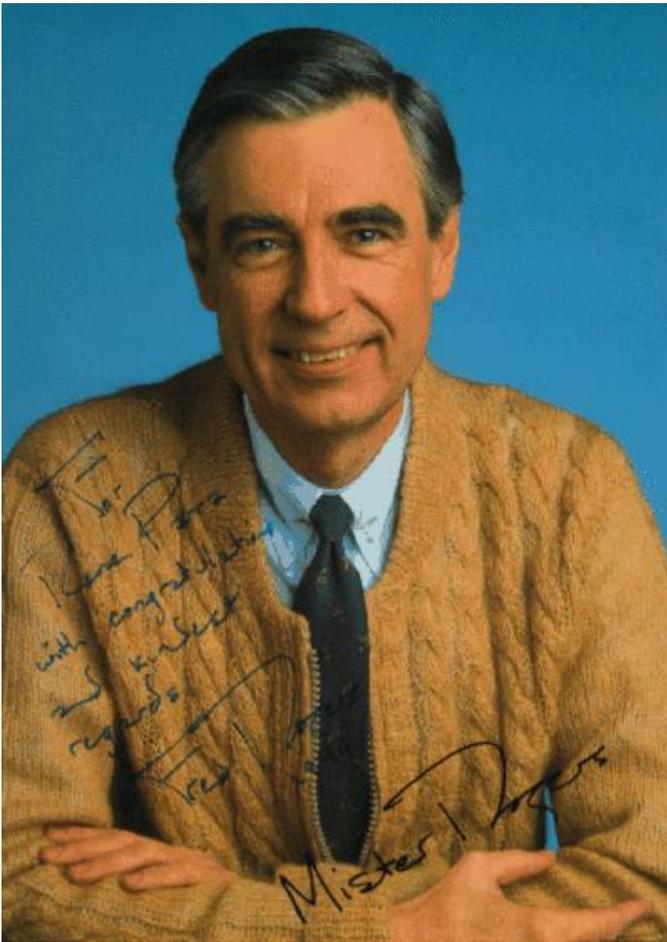
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That is why the danger is so great; the criminal, powerful Far Left is close to winning and destroying the greatest country to ever exist. Republicans are surrendering and refusing to stand and fight for our President, whose agenda is an America-saving agenda. It's as simple as that. He wants to save America, and Republicans would rather protect their power and donor class who control our government with the help of both parties. America will not recover if they succeed.

Please take a stand and refuse to accept the despicable path this Russia investigation has taken by ignoring the actual discovered Russia collusion by the Democrat Party, and now taking down anyone the President relies on to do his job as President, duly elected by the people of the United States of America.



Fred McFeely Rogers, alias Mr. Rogers, actor/Pres. minister

In My Neighborhood

By Suzanne Crux

Mr. Rogers is back in the news, popularly trending on Facebook, a new Forever stamp, and a Documentary, "Won't You Be My Neighbor," from director Morgan Neville due out in June, 2018, all to Celebrate Mr. Rogers Neighborhood 50th year anniversary on PBS. The analysts and critics have all begun their discourse on why he was popular, why he wore the long sweaters or what they thought of King Friday or Prince Tuesday. Perhaps you have encountered some of the conversation yourself, reminiscing when you were a tot watching him or that either your aunt did or did not like his show. But to reminisce on the nostalgic details is to not truly honor who Fred Rogers was.

He was a man who cared deeply about America's greatest resource - her children. The post-modern world's greatest problem is that she over analyzes everything, and, in doing so, misses the message. Grouping, collecting, left, right, victim, oppressor, Social Justice warrior, BLM, etc. etc. Analysis and classification of the beautiful, the good and the true, is the sickness of hubris in the immature modern mind desperately seeking relevance.

What Rogers wanted us to do was to be strong individuals by acknowledging life was tough and giving young ones the skills necessary to deal with life's adversity. Rogers promoted this idea to kids on television. "American Individualism", a book written by Herbert Hoover, also promoted this same idea to adults. Both men realized that strong individuals make a better nation than a bunch of divided injured groups.

In 1969, Fred Rogers appeared before the United States Senate Subcommittee on Communications. His goal was the continued support and funding for his show by demonstrating the value of his message that children do not need to be stimulated by artificial cartoon conflict, replete with head-bopping. Children have enough of their own frustrations in daily life, teaching children how to positively deal with anger and frustration was what was missing in television and that was what the show was about. By the way, he got the money to continue the show. This sincere message of his was the meat and heart of who Mr. Rogers was and not his sweater.

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To ignore the bigger picture of anything in favor of its details is to be blind. Hundreds of books a year are published on the details of the WWII, yet we know the real problem was that Hitler, Mussolini and Hideki Tojo were arrogant pricks. Similarly, the current trend to dissect the Founders every human flaw and detail such as “James Madison was short and wore black all the time” is to ignore his life’s work of research and action. These incredible men created a system of government, a Free Republic, reliant on self-governance. (This was Mr. Roger’s same message of personal discipline, by the way). A system of government, personal governance, free from a Monarchical system of oppression and control which we all enjoy today - if we can keep it. Mr. Rogers’ documentary could not come at a better time, as spring approaches so does the season of self-aggrandizing destructive protestors. The best Fred Rogers would want us to take away from his show this summer is not his sweater. It is his calm reasoned approach to dealing with the frustrations of life, in a way the Wiggles will never teach the young.

His favorite song, “That good feeling of control”

“What do you do when you feel angry? I can stop when I want to, I can stop when I wish, can stop, stop, stop, anytime. And what a good feeling to feel like this and know that the feeling is really mine, know that there is something deep inside that helps us become what we can. For a girl can someday be a lady and a boy can someday be a man.”



“When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, “Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping.”

– Fred Rogers



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Thomas Jefferson & Freedom

By: Dennis Jamison

Abraham Lincoln brought Americans back to the ideals of “all men are created equal”. Essentially, the first great confrontation over such ideals in the United States took place through the horrendous warfare in the American Civil War. This struggle was centered upon the single concept of whether “all” men were created equal. Those in the Deep South, who eventually attempted to destroy the U.S. Constitution and the nation due to their disdain for such an ideal, had been informed by their ancestors that Jefferson had not meant “all” men as they had signed the Declaration of Independence—he only meant “all free men.”

Long before his Emancipation Proclamation in 1863, Abraham Lincoln addressed this white aristocratic concept in the heated exchanges of Lincoln-Douglass debates when the future president challenged Senator Stephen A. Douglass and the Democrat mythology. Mr. Lincoln was fighting to return to the original foundation established through the ideals of the Declaration of Independence: “all” men being equal under the law. In addressing the premise of the *Dred Scott* Decision, Lincoln argued:

Chief Justice Taney, in his opinion in the *Dred Scott* case, admits that the language of the Declaration of Independence is broad enough to include the whole human family, but he and Judge (Stephen) Douglas argue that the authors of that instrument did not intend to include Negroes.

I (Lincoln) think the authors of that incredible instrument intended to include *all* men, but they did not intend to declare men equal *in all respects*.



DRED SCOTT, 1851

“[but] ... equal in certain ‘inalienable rights among which are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.’” This they said, and this they meant.

Lincoln was defending the Founders, specifically Thomas Jefferson. What seems needless to point out is that Jefferson once shined as a father of freedom as he is inextricably linked to the Declaration of Independence. However, today most Progressive-revisionist writers and historians are often more interested in “re-examining” Jefferson in a manner that is more akin to attorneys cross-examining someone on trial, as they are apt to do with many of the Founding Fathers who had a hand in creating the Land of the Free.

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Many writers are more eager to delve into his relationship with his slave Sally Hemmings rather than examine or acknowledge his advocacy of the emancipation of slaves.

To view Thomas Jefferson as a hypocrite for failing to live up to the ideals of the Declaration of Independence, or to diminish the reality that Jefferson was a consistent opponent of slavery would betray either an ignorance of Jefferson or a deliberate bias against his character. Jefferson believed in what he wrote, and he realized that slavery was contrary to natural law and antithetical to the values of freedom. He worked on the goal of abolishing slavery much more than the average American may realize. John Adams had been deeply impressed by Jefferson's initial draft of the Declaration of Independence, as he so testified in a letter to Timothy Pickering in 1822:

I was delighted with [the draft's] high tone and the flights of oratory with which it abounded, especially that concerning Negro slavery, which, though I knew his Southern brethren would never suffer to pass in Congress, I certainly never would oppose... Congress cut off about a quarter of it, as I expected they would; but they obliterated some of the best of it, and left all that was exceptionable, if anything in it was.

Jefferson's initial draft of the Declaration of Independence included an attack against the British for admitting slavery into the colonies, yet it does not appear in the current surviving document. In fact, the draft was amended well over 80 times before it was deemed acceptable by the entire Continental Congress. However, among other noble efforts addressed in the Declaration, Jefferson's original draft stated:

He (King George III) has waged cruel war against human nature itself, violating its most sacred rights of life & liberty in the persons of a distant people who never offended him, captivating & carrying them into slavery in another hemisphere, or to incur miserable death in their transportation thither. This piratical warfare, the opprobrium of infidel powers, is the warfare of the Christian king of Great Britain. determined to keep open a market where MEN should be bought & sold.

Jefferson was likely upset about the rejection of this part of his proposed declaration, but during the War for Independence, Jefferson actively attempted to write legislation that he hoped would end slavery. He understood that slavery represented the most powerful threat to the Land of the Free. Confederate States' Vice President, Alexander Stephen's acknowledged that Jefferson believed slavery to be the "rock upon which the old union would split."

In 1778, Jefferson drafted a Virginia law that prohibited the importation of African slaves. Yet, tragedy struck when his wife, Martha, died; Jefferson suffered a great deal after the loss. Only after a year was he able to emerge from his "stupor of mind which had rendered me dead to the world" and return to public life.

During this time, Jefferson wrote a bill designed to organize the Northwest Territory, which the United States had won from Great Britain after the War for Independence. That bill represented Thomas Jefferson's intent to bar slavery from all new states applying for statehood in the Union. However, his specific bill was defeated in Congress by one vote.

