

We will show who profits, who pays, and how Trump has rigged the government for himself and the people closest to him.

And we will make one thing unmistakably clear: The White House is not for sale.

Trump has spent his life betting that the con will always work. This time, the American people will see exactly how the scam works and exactly who has been handed the keys to the kingdom.

IRAN

Mr. President, on the Iran war, Donald Trump needs to reckon with the terrible cost of the disastrous war he has dared to call "a skirmish," "a little excursion." And once, he called it "a lovely stay."

There is nothing "lovely" or "little" about Trump's blunder in Iran—nothing.

On Thursday, Trump insisted to the Nation that we are "winning big in Iran, and you will see the fruits of that labor very, very shortly."

But instead and sadly, we saw three more brave American servicemembers tragically lose their lives over the weekend because of Trump's reckless war in Iran. Dozens of other U.S. troops were wounded in Iranian strikes last week, and one servicemember remains missing.

I am praying for their families in this difficult hour. I speak for the entire Senate when I say how much we appreciate their sacrifice.

This carnage is the bitter fruit of Trump's "labor" in Iran. Every second Trump prolongs this war is another second that the lives of our men and women in uniform are in danger. In the coming days, we are going to make Senate Republicans take another vote on our War Powers Resolution to end this war and get our troops out of harm's way. Trump needs to stop this catastrophe and bring our troops home, and Senate Republicans can't let him off the hook until he does.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LONG ISLAND ASSOCIATION

Mr. President, now I want to briefly take a moment to recognize some guests from New York who are in the Capitol today. I guess I am a little late, but they were here.

The Long Island Association, a storied regional business development group, is celebrating its 100th anniversary. Some of its members traveled here today to celebrate this occasion.

Their century of work fighting to make Long Island a better place to live, work, and do business has accomplished much for the region. From affordability to energy, to infrastructure, to innovation, they have lit the road forward for Long Island's future.

It has been my pleasure to work with them for several decades, and I know that under the leadership of their acting CEO and president Stacey Sikes—who once worked for me—we will continue our great tradition of delivering for Long Island together.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant executive clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. MORENO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. HUSTED). Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. MORENO. Mr. President, I ask that the previously scheduled rollcall vote start immediately.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume consideration of the following nomination, which the clerk will report.

The senior assistant executive clerk read the nomination of Benjamin M. Flowers, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The senior assistant executive clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Executive Calendar No. 775, Benjamin M. Flowers, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

John Thune, Tim Sheehy, John Barrasso, Ashley B. Moody, James Lankford, Todd Young, Ted Budd, Pete Ricketts, Jon A. Husted, Mike Crapo, Mike Rounds, Tim Scott of South Carolina, Bernie Moreno, John Cornyn, Chuck Grassley, James C. Justice, Eric Schmitt.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the mandatory quorum call under rule XXII has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Benjamin M. Flowers, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant executive clerk called the roll.

Mr. BARRASSO. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN), the Senator from Alabama (Mrs. BRITT), the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ), the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER), the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. McCONNELL), the Senator from Florida (Mrs. MOODY), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN), the Senator from Idaho

(Mr. RISCH), and the Senator from Alabama (Mr. TUBERVILLE).

Further, if present and voting: the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ) would have voted "yea."

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. FETTERMAN), the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA), the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN), and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH), are necessarily absent.

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 43, nays 40, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 200 Ex.]

YEAS—43

Armstrong	Graham	Murkowski
Banks	Grassley	Paul
Barrasso	Hagerty	Ricketts
Blackburn	Hawley	Rounds
Budd	Hoeben	Schmitt
Capito	Husted	Scott (FL)
Cassidy	Hyde-Smith	Scott (SC)
Collins	Johnson	Sheehy
Cornyn	Justice	Sullivan
Cotton	Lankford	Thune
Cramer	Lee	Tillis
Crapo	Lummis	Wicker
Curtis	Marshall	Young
Daines	McCormick	
Ernst	Moreno	

NAYS—40

Alsobrooks	Hickenlooper	Reed
Baldwin	Hirono	Schatz
Bennet	Kaine	Schiff
Blumenthal	Kelly	Schumer
Blunt Rochester	Kim	Slotkin
Booker	King	Van Hollen
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Warner
Coons	Lujan	Warnock
Duckworth	Markey	Warren
Durbin	Merkley	Welch
Galleo	Murphy	Whitehouse
Gillibrand	Murray	Wyden
Hassan	Ossoff	
Heinrich	Peters	

NOT VOTING—17

Boozman	Kennedy	Rosen
Britt	McConnell	Sanders
Cortez Masto	Moody	Shaheen
Cruz	Moran	Smith
Fetterman	Padilla	Tuberville
Fischer	Risch	

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. RICKETTS). On this vote, the yeas are 43, the nays are 40, and the motion is agreed to.

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority whip.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2026

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 21; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, morning business be closed, and the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the Flowers nomination; further, that the Senate recess tomorrow from 12:30

until 2:15 p.m. for the weekly conference meetings and that all time during leader remarks, recess, and adjournment count postcloture on the Flowers nomination; and finally, that if any nominations are confirmed during Tuesday's session of the Senate, the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's actions.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that following the remarks of my Republican colleagues, the Senate proceed to legislative session and that the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The Senator from Tennessee.

SAVE AMERICA ACT

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Mr. President, several of my colleagues and I are going to talk tonight about the importance of passing the SAVE America Act, and this is an issue the Senate should willingly take up.

Having voter ID is something the vast majority of Americans support. Whether they are Democrats or Republicans or Independents or Libertarians, everyone thinks you should have to show an ID when you go to vote.

It is incredible that we are on the floor having to make the case for this legislation. The bill's provisions are really common sense, and, as I said, this is something the American people have said: We want this. We want to preserve one person, one vote, and preserve the integrity of the electoral system.

Now, the legislation that is before us would really accomplish three major objectives in securing our elections.

It would require voters to present an ID to cast a ballot. Now, as I said, this is overwhelmingly popular. You have got 83 percent of all Americans.

Now, for my colleagues across the aisle, 71 percent of the Democrats support this. They want people to have to prove that they are indeed who they claim to be.

Also, our legislation would require people to be a U.S. citizen in order to vote in our elections, and it would require the States to remove noncitizens who have somehow ended up on their voter rolls.

These are all common sense, every one of them—common sense. There is nothing objectionable about these measures. It is common sense. And these are sensible, easily understood, and easily implemented ways to make certain that we are protecting our electoral system.

Many Republican States already enforce these safeguards. Tennessee, my home State, leads the Nation in election integrity. Now, if every State was

like Tennessee, there would be no need for the SAVE America Act. But for years, we have seen blue States practically invite fraud into their elections.

Fourteen States—including California, New York, Illinois, Massachusetts, and Minnesota—do not require any form of ID to vote. Many more States accept ID that is nonphoto.

Now, think about that. In 14 States, if you live in one of those States, you do not have to prove anything in order to go vote in their elections. It is open season.

So my question would be: How does that type of system—no ID required, just come on and vote. Everybody welcome. The polls are open. It doesn't matter if you are a citizen or a noncitizen. Come cast your ballot.

So you have got these States that require no ID, and you have got other States that will have nonphoto ID that they will accept. Now, at the same time, two dozen States—and, again, they are overwhelmingly blue—that is, 24 States refuse to work with DHS to compare their voter rolls with the Federal SAVE database, which verifies the immigration status of registered voters.

Now, that is a system—that is a database—at the Department of Homeland Security, and this SAVE system has that listing of noncitizens who were in our country—people that are on student visas, people that are on work visas, people that are permanent legal residents, people that are in the country illegally.

But do you know what? Not a single one of those individuals is entitled to vote.

So, free of charge, any State can log into this system—President Trump has made it easy for the States—and then they can take their voter roll, and they can check it against the SAVE system. States that do this have found thousands of individuals. Maybe they have got a driver's license, and maybe, during that process, they registered to vote. But they are not entitled to vote. So those are the individuals that need to be removed from this system.

I will point out that there is no other—no other—developed nation that leaves their elections so vulnerable to fraud and manipulation.

So to defend themselves, Democrats claim that voter fraud is very rare. Well, President Trump's Thursday night address on election integrity showed just how much voter fraud we have.

According to a DHS review of State voter rolls, there are approximately 278,000 noncitizens registered to vote in our elections. The last three Presidential elections were decided by fewer than 270,000 votes.

The President noted that this figure is likely an undercount because Democrat States refused to share their voter files with the administration.

Democrats do not care. They are perfectly content with voter fraud.

Indeed, as we have said many times: Let's make it easier to vote and harder to cheat.

And the Democrats continue to fight us on this. Their leader CHUCK SCHUMER claimed that the legislation, the SAVE America Act, was dead on arrival here in the Senate, meaning not a single one of them—not a one of them—agrees with 71 percent of the Democrats, 83 percent of the American public. They just don't agree with them when the people are saying: We want the SAVE America Act.

So I just have to ask: What are they afraid of? What are they really fearful of? Are they afraid, if it is only citizens voting, that they are not going to win? Do they think they have to have people that are not citizens registered to vote in order to win an election?

Now, when we talk about the SAVE America Act and talk about it in total, we have said: Look, whatever it takes to get this passed—if we have to pass it one piece at a time, that is what we will do.

And our friends on the other side of the aisle need to explain to the American public why they are so opposed.

Now, Senator HUSTED's bill, for example, would enact only the voter ID provision of the SAVE America Act. That is a good thing. That is a great first step. Just prove that you are who you say you are. When you go to the poll to vote, prove that you are who you say you are when you request a mail-in or absentee ballot.

We also have the Election Security Partnership Act, which I led along with Senator Lindsey Graham, and this is something that would incentivize States to submit their voter rolls through that SAVE system at DHS.

This is basically: We are going to pay you to do the right thing. We are going to actually incentivize and give you more money on your grants if you will do the right thing and obey the law.

Now, we have many more bills that we can do to secure our elections. Every Member of Congress should support these measures, and Republicans are going to do everything possible to get them across the finish line as we are celebrating our Nation's 250th anniversary. It is imperative—imperative—that we pass these bills in order to preserve the integrity of our electoral system.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Utah.

SAVE AMERICA ACT

Mr. LEE. Mr. President, imagine your shock if, while on your way to the theater, let's say—I don't know—maybe you are going to the opera. You are planning to pick up your tickets at will call. You arrive at will call at the appointed moment and say: Yes, I am Senator PETE RICKETTS. I am here to pick up my opera tickets.

They gave them to somebody else.

If you found out that the theater was handing out tickets at will call without any form of ID, you would probably be a little disappointed—you or any