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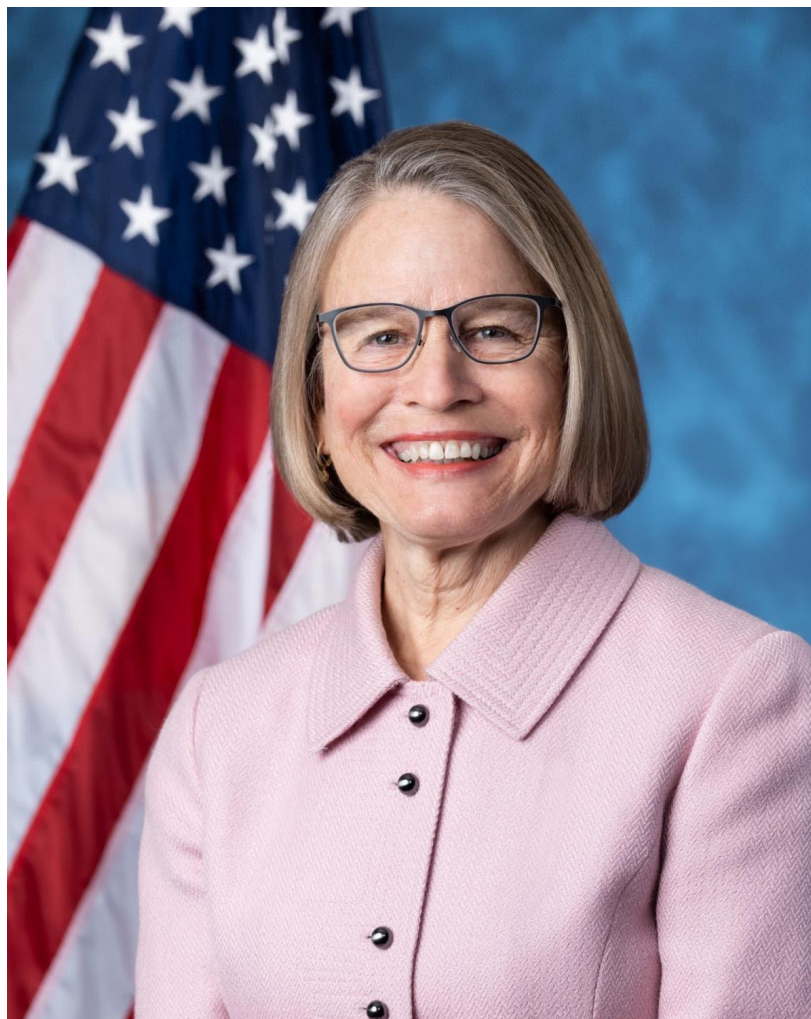
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Rep. Miller-Meeks: Lack of Decorum, Grace by Democrats at President Trump Joint Address

The recent censure of Representative Al Green underscores a troubling pattern within the Democratic Party—a pattern characterized by disrespect towards President Trump and a dereliction of legislative responsibilities. During President Trump's recent Joint Address to Congress, Rep. Green disrupted the proceedings, shouting and waving his cane, leading to his removal from the chamber by the Sergeant at Arms and subsequent censure by the House.

The censure of Rep. Green was not a partisan maneuver; it was a bipartisan acknowledgment of unacceptable conduct, with ten Democrats joining Republicans in the vote. This rare cross-party consensus highlights the severity of the misconduct and the necessity of upholding decorum in our legislative institutions.

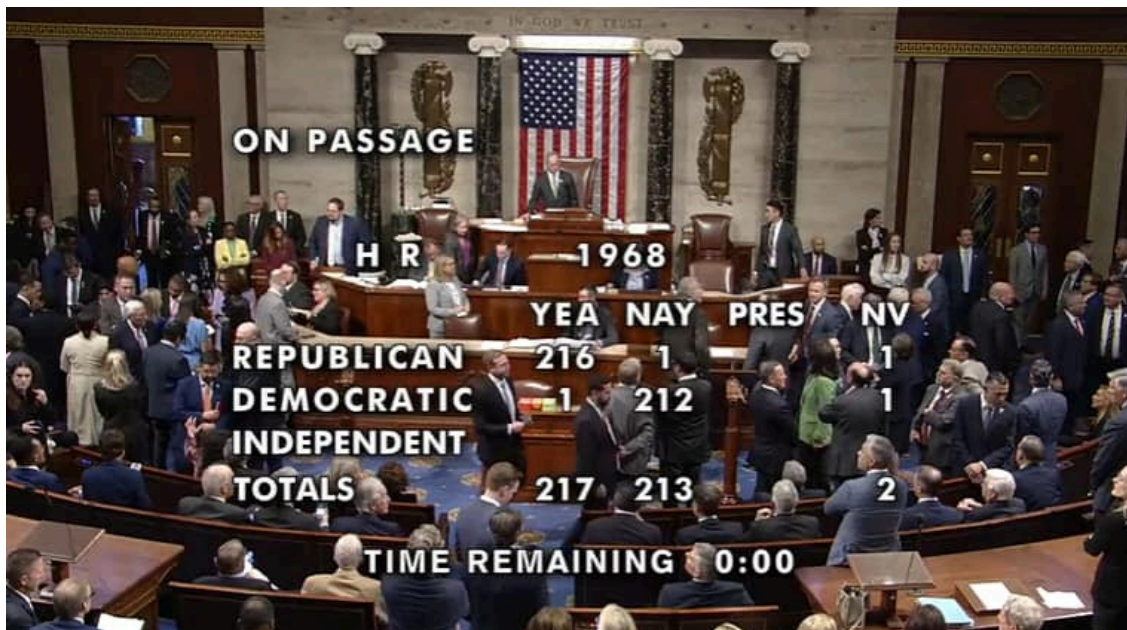
After a successful vote to censure a Member of Congress, they are to present themselves at the well of the House floor as it is read aloud by the Speaker of the House. This historical process too was treated with a lack of decorum as Mr. Green and many of his colleagues started singing during Speaker Johnson's formal reading.

During the Joint Address to Congress, a lack of grace by other Democrats was also on full display. As President Trump honored 13-year-old brain cancer survivor DJ Daniel by awarding him honorary Secret Service credentials, the majority of Democrats present refused to stand up and clap. They let their vendetta against President Trump cloud their better judgment of honoring a young American.

I appreciate President Trump's speech full of optimism after the American people re-elected him to the White House and Republicans to control both chambers of Congress. President Trump's speech - viewed by more than 36 million - received a lot of praise. In fact, even CNN (no friend of President Trump's) found that 70% of speech viewers had a positive reaction to his Joint Address.

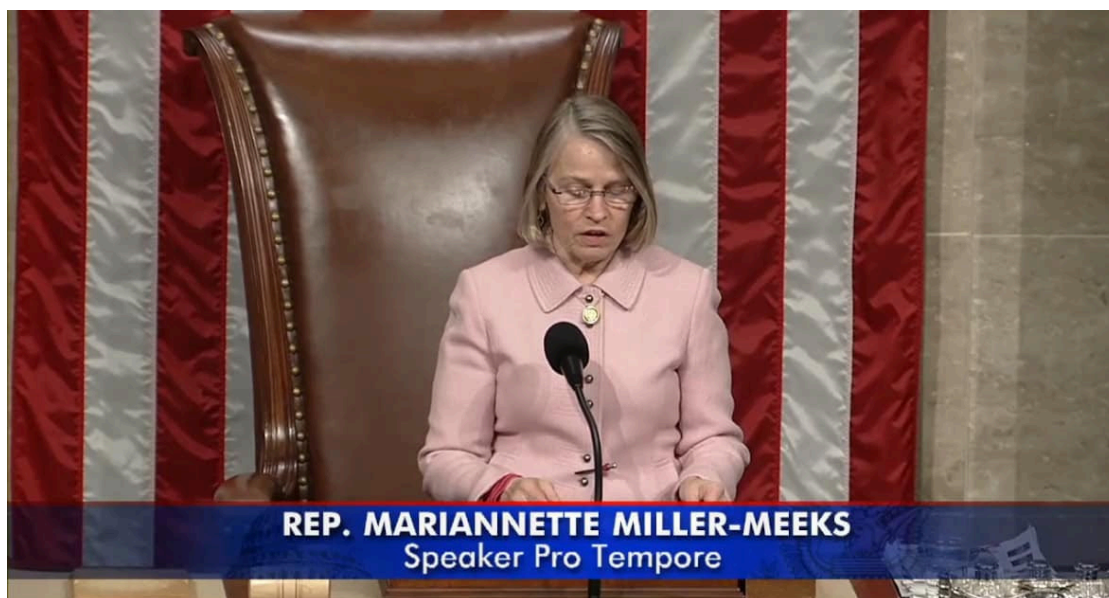
As our Commander in Chief entered the House Chamber, I was proud to personally greet him and attend his Joint Address with guest Riley Gaines after a disastrous 4 years under Joe Biden and Kamala Harris. President Trump is restoring the American Dream—protecting women's sports, securing our borders, and making our communities safer. Under his leadership, manufacturing is returning, interest rates are coming down, and America is strong on the world stage once again. I look forward to working with him to put America First and get our country back on track.

Voting to Keep the Government Open



I stood with President Donald J. Trump and voted to keep the government open, while 212 Democrats voted for a shutdown. By passing this CR, we protect our military with the largest pay raise in four decades, increase the veterans toxic exposure fund by \$6 billion, uphold critical services, and move forward the America First Agenda of cutting taxes and out-of-control spending.

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Honored to have presided over the House Floor this week!



Had a productive meeting with the CDC Foundation, reconnecting with Dr. Judy Monroe, Indiana's former state health commissioner. We discussed public health reform, strategies for rebuilding trust in our systems, and how they are funded.



Had a great meeting with the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists - ACOG, where we discussed access challenges with OB docs, workforce issues, and physician reimbursement. Looking forward to collaborating on solutions to support healthcare providers and improve care.

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I delivered opening remarks in a VA Health Subcommittee hearing where we discussed several bills that would improve veterans access to care in Iowa.



I spoke at an Energy & Commerce hearing on maximizing opportunities for redeveloping Brownfields sites

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I remembered former Iowa State Representative James Hahn on House Floor

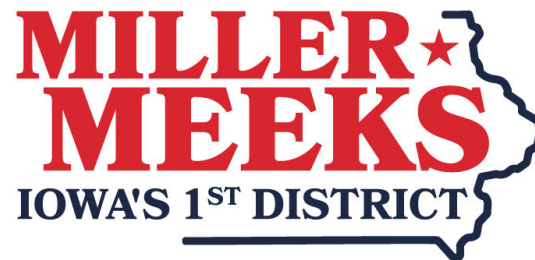


I recognized an Iowa Track & Field Star for his Community Service efforts!

Sincerely,



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