



Rep. Tom Emmer on Sid & Friends – January 6, 2026

77 WABC Radio

Broadcast: January 06, 2026 • Location: Remote • Duration: 11:20

****SID ROSENBERG:**

** Congressman out of Minnesota, the minority whip, one of the more impressive people we've got in DC and really one of my favorite people and that is Tom Emmer. Tom, I watched you Sunday. I know Jason Shavitz filled in for Maria Boromo. You were great and you kept using the word extradition when you talked about the Maduro situation and boy, you nailed it. My wife Danielle said, "This guy's great. He's actually nailed this thing." So, everybody's yelling about should he be here? What do we do legally? All that nonsense. The point is there was an indictment and he was extradited. It's really that simple. Like you said, Tom, right?

****REP. TOM EMMER:**

** It is. And great to be with you. Said, "Happy New Year. It's going to be a great year. Donald Trump set the tone very quickly. He went and extradited a criminal who is guilty of killing hundreds of thousands of Americans, Sid. And you know the Democrats like your soon to be former minority leader of the Senate, Chuck Schumer, they're doing a bunch of full outrage over this action as if it was somehow a war powers thing. Look, if it had something to do with engaging in a war with a foreign country, Congress would have been notified. That's not what this was. This was a law enforcement action where they went in, amazing work, quickly, stealthily, they removed him and his wife and they brought them back here for justice. And now what we're seeing, Sid, which is really sad, is there is more outrage from Democrats like Chuck Schumer and company than there is from the Venezuelan people. They're happy.

**** SID ROSENBERG:**

** Yeah.

**** REP. TOM EMMER:**

** They're relieved. Donald Trump has given them the opportunity for a future that they deserve.

**** SID ROSENBERG:**

** Bang. They're celebrating in the streets are actually crying. And I was just down in Miami last week, which has the largest Venezuelan population of any city in our country. And they were celebrating in the streets. They were so happy they were crying. You would think they would matter more than Chuck Schumer or Cory Booker or any of these hags on the view, but for some reason we pay attention to them. And I got to say this too, Tom. You know, I love you and my best friends are in Congress. Mike Lawler, dear friend. Nicole Malotakus, dear friend. Anthony DiPazito was a dear friend. But outside of you guys, I don't trust anybody there. So even if it was some type of war move by President Trump, the last people I tell is Congress. LET'S NOT FORGET MTG JUST WALKED OUT YESTERDAY, RIGHT?

**** REP. TOM EMMER:**



** YEAH. YEAH. I mean, I hear you, Sid, but it's this again, these guys got to start, and when I say these guys, those that would oppose what Donald Trump is doing, they're literally opposing the American people and their mandate. Donald Trump, I get it. These people have Trump derangement syndrome. They cannot get over it. But one of these days they got to just take their attention off of our president and put it on the people who hired them to serve them. That is the American people. Guess what? Because of Donald Trump's actions in the last few days specifically with Venezuela. American kids are safer. Said American communities are more safe. Our country as a whole is more safe. The Western Hemisphere is more safe. He sent a strong message to our global enemies. Whether it's China or it's Iran or it's Russia, guess what? There's going to be a new order and that is one that's peace and stability which is what this President Donald J. Trump has been all about. The president of peace will that legacy will live on forever.

**** SID ROSENBERG:**

** Want to ask one more question about Congress. I just saw our mutual friend Mike Johnson talking about what you just said basically this was decisive. It was justified. It was legal. It was great. And right before Christmas break, you know, Mike Johnson was having some problems. Marjorie Taylor Green, who did resign yesterday, she was walking out. Then you had four members of Congress, including my dear friend Mike Lawler, who went against you guys and Johnson, when it came to the obviously the healthcare situation. So I was asked the question many times Tom Emmer right before Christmas is Mike Johnson losing the house? Now Lawler who again was a very vocal opponent of Johnson said no I disagree with him but he's not losing the house. What is the real relationship right now between Mike Johnson and the rest of you guys?

**** REP. TOM EMMER:**

** I think Mike Lawler said it best. Unlike the other side of the chamber where if you disagree you are excommunicated on our side we have our disagreements. There's no question that we don't expect everybody to march in line. They are here to represent their constituents first and foremost said Mike Johnson knows that and he respects that. The fact that sometimes disagreements are out in public really doesn't change the fact that we are a team. That's how we succeeded last year. You'll remember against all odds. We did things that people said we could never do. And that's because at the end of the day, the Republicans in the House understand that when Americans spoke and elected Donald J. Trump, 77 million Americans delivered a mandate and said we want what Donald Trump ran on and what the Republicans ran on. In spite of our differences, we overcome and we will succeed and we'll keep doing it and Mike will keep doing it. So

**** SID ROSENBERG:**

** yeah, Mike is great. Yeah. And correct me if I'm wrong, but isn't the president set to meet with you guys, the House GOP, maybe as early as today about the Venezuela situation?

**** REP. TOM EMMER:**

** In the next couple of hours, we will hear from our president at a off-campus meeting that all of the Republican members have been invited to in the House.

****SID ROSENBERG:**

** Awesome. Oh, that's awesome. This is Tom Emmer, just an amazing guy out of Minnesota. He is our House Minority Whip. Let's get to your crooked state there and this governor. And I got to tell you, for me at least, Tom, I'm not as smart as you are, okay? But I know this, if I'm innocent, I'm going to fight to the end. I'm going to fight to the death. And when Walls decides to walk away yesterday and end his reelection bid, the first thing I thought of was he really is guilty, isn't he?



**** REP. TOM EMMER:**

** I think he is. I've got two words for Tim Walz, Sid. Good riddance. At that press conference that you're talking about yesterday, he refused to take accountability. Instead, he once again blamed President Trump and Republicans for being mean. Look, Tim Walls is a national disgrace. He should not let the door hit him on the ass on his way out. We have at least 10 Trump officials investigating Minnesota. And thank God for President Trump's head because he's the only one bringing accountability back to our state. Look, we've got he wants to complain and say, "Oh, we can't pick on our neighbors." You know what? The Somali that have been charged. There's 90% of the people charged with these crimes are from the Somali community. And I got three words for them. Send them home. If you come to this country and you take advantage of Americans generosity and you refuse you steal, you commit fraud, and you refuse to assimilate, guess what? I don't care if you're even a naturalized citizen. You should be denaturalized and shipped back to the country that you came from. If that's the kind of gratitude you want to show this great country is stealing from Americans and refusing to become an American, then get the hell out of here. And I think by the way that goes for anybody who's committed marriage fraud, too, and there may be one of those.

**** SID ROSENBERG:**

** Yeah, no question. So, do you consider Nick Shirley a hero? This guy walked into one of these supposed child care centers in Minnesota acted as if he was a dad with a kid. And of course it was never a child care center to begin with. Nick Shirley's got to be like Fran Torington in Minnesota these days.

**** REP. TOM EMMER:**

** Yeah. You're talking about the Learing Center.

**** SID ROSENBERG:**

** Yes. [laughter] THE LEARNING CENTER.

**** REP. TOM EMMER:**

** GOD BLESS Nick Shirley too because Nick Shirley did what? That's the organic piece, right? The fuse was lit by Donald J. Trump. He started to point look, we couldn't get anyone to report on this, Sid. We've been trying to sound the alarm on this for years in Minnesota. Personally, I've been trying to do this. Nobody would report on it. Our worthless incredibly partisan media. The Minneapolis or Minnesota Tribune run by former commerce commissioner. It's the whole thing is corrupt. And it wasn't until Donald J. Trump made it a national issue and people started reporting on it. And then, God bless Nick Shirley, he actually went around and started knocking on doors. AND GUESS WHAT? THERE'S NO KIDS THERE. SO, nobody in the Walls administration, by the way, has ever been held accountable for this. If in fact the whistleblowers that are now coming forward are real, and I think they are, if they're real and what they're saying can be confirmed and documented. And they're saying, Sid, that they told Tim Walls and our attorney general, Keith Ellison, about the fraud and that they were not only ignored, but that the governor retaliated against them. If that's true, this guy should be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

****SID ROSENBERG:**

** Couldn't agree more. Keith Ellison, also a very, very bad guy. Very bad guy. So, on the way out, some of the names that are being bandied about now that Walls has decided not to run again. On the left side, Amy Klobuchar. God, she's annoying. And on the right side, my old buddy there from My Pillow, Mike Lindell. Any truth to the rumor that Tom Emmer wants to be the next governor of the great state of Minnesota.



**** REP. TOM EMMER:**

** I don't know where you're getting that rumor. Tom Emmer is in a place where he can do more good for his state and his country right here in Congress than I could at home. We've got 14 capable candidates running for the Republican nomination for governor in Minnesota. I would argue any one of them is qualified and could win a general election. The Democrats, I don't know if Amy's actually just playing with it. Amy's a swamp rat. She is I can't imagine that she would leave the swamp to return to Minnesota, but Stranger Things has happened, Sid.

This transcript was independently produced by MN-06 Watch for accountability and archival purposes.

Source: 77 WABC Radio (January 06, 2026)

Archived: February 02, 2026

Source URL: <https://youtu.be/Cs87WIh0S2Q?si=6EhrTqxR6EsZF1Uf>

For questions or corrections: mn06watch@gmail.com