



Rep. Tom Emmer on Majority Whip Tom Emmer at House GOP border Press Conference

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** In a Friday evening news dump, the Biden administration quietly revealed that they made history once again with their failed border policies. More than 302,000 illegal immigrants were encountered at the southern border in December, making it the highest single month ever recorded. This unprecedented crisis is happening for one reason and one reason only. Joe Biden and the Democrats have rolled out the welcome mat for illegal immigrants through their open borders agenda. As a result, Texas has been forced to step up and do what the federal government won't, protect its citizens and the American people. Let me be very clear, Texas has every right to protect its citizens and their property. And Joe Biden should be ashamed of himself, not only for turning his back on the American people, but also for actively blocking Governor Abbott from doing his job. He has turned every community, Joe Biden has turned every community into a border community with his failed policies. Look no further than my home state of Minnesota, where according to media reports, a member of the Al-Shabaab terrorist group was recently arrested after being caught at the southern border and then released back into the country by this administration for nearly a year ago. Let that sink in. As a known member of a terrorist organization, roam freely from our southern border to our northern border for nearly an entire year, because the Biden administration would not do its job. The consequences of Biden's border crisis have been catastrophic and they are impacting every single American. House Republicans won't let it stand. That's why nine months ago we passed H.R. 2, the strongest border security bill in decades. What has been the Biden White House and the Schumer Senate's response to deny the crisis even exists and to brazenly lie about the president's role in creating the crisis. Joe Biden has the power to address this unprecedented crisis tomorrow by reversing the 64 executive actions he took to effectively open our southern border. And Chuck Schumer has the power to stand up to the White House by saying zero is the acceptable number of illegal immigrants Congress will tolerate coming across our border. But they won't because they don't care. Enough is enough. Our House Republican majority will stand with Texas as they do the job Joe Biden refused to do. We will continue to stand against the failed policies that created this crisis in the first place. And we will only accept legislative solutions that actually secure our borders once and for all.

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