



# Rep. Tom Emmer on BREITBART NEWS DAILY – DECEMBER 9, 2025

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**MIKE SLATER:**

Minnesota's been in the news a lot lately. Congressman Tom Emmer is here. He represents the sixth district that's just outside of Minneapolis all the way up to St. Cloud, neck of the woods. And he's also the House Majority Whip. Congressman, how are you, sir?

**REP. TOM EMMER:**

Good, Mike, but not very happy about why Minnesota is in the news.

**MIKE SLATER:**

Yeah, unfortunately, it's not because of the Vikings winning a Super Bowl. So, it's not—

**REP. TOM EMMER:**

It's not our year. No, no, that's right. Always.

**MIKE SLATER:**

Is it okay, Congressman, to say I don't want Somalis in America?

**REP. TOM EMMER:**

I think Donald Trump was actually identifying the Somalis that are committing all the crimes. I think, you know, he's identified them in a certain way. But there's nothing wrong with saying that people who have lied, cheated, and stolen from Minnesota taxpayers, from the American people, not only to get in this country, but once they're in this country, I don't have any problem with what the president is saying. By the way, those are his words. I would tell you this. I would tell you that not all Somalis that I have run into in Minnesota are criminals. It just so happens that about 90% of the people who have been charged with the crimes that we're talking about are from the Somali community. So the president has made a point. I am so grateful that he has finally made this a national issue. I'm sad like many Minnesotans that this is why we're in the news, but it's high time that we start putting Minnesotans first. We start actually calling out crime and fraud and holding people accountable, Mike. And this has not been happening in Minnesota quite frankly since Tim Walz became the governor 7 years ago and since Keith Ellison, the former congressman, became attorney general 7 years ago. They have allowed this thing to run wild. And the Minneapolis-St. Paul Twin Cities news media is so damn worthless they refuse to hold anyone accountable. Do you know that yesterday the main paper, that fish wrap in Minnesota, literally reported that it's not quite a billion dollars that they've stolen so far. And that was somehow a jab at Donald Trump. God bless Donald Trump for holding these guys accountable and making this an issue.

**MIKE SLATER:**



So the Overton window is certainly moving on this. There's no question. So I just want to figure out where we're at with this Overton window. Like what is within the acceptable amount of thinking? Is it okay for someone in Minnesota, like a regular person who's been there forever to say, "All right, we have a population, a migrant population that comes from a culture of corruption, and maybe that's not wise or compatible with our very Swedish and Norwegian culture that built this place, and maybe we shouldn't have any of it anymore." What do you think of that?

## **REP. TOM EMMER:**

Well, look, I would like to say I'm born and raised, but I was born when my parents were wrapping up college in Indiana. So, they are Minnesota childhood sweethearts from the sixth and seventh grade. So, I can argue that is my DNA. I've been there. And I would tell you this, I don't care what your cultural heritage is. Doesn't mean a thing to me. It means something to you. Great. Preserve it, celebrate it, everything else. But once you come to this country, once you become a Minnesotan, you assimilate. You could celebrate your culture and we'll respect that. But you become an American. You become Minnesotans. And that means you don't get to run by your own rules and your own laws. You got to respect the laws, the constitution, laws of this country.

## **MIKE SLATER:**

Why do you think Tim Walz and the attorney general have allowed this to go unchecked? Do you give them—how intentional do you think it was? Like I think of the Rotherham sex scandal which is like the most horrific thing ever, but it went on for decades in England and they didn't do anything because they didn't want to be called racist. Is that part of the story or is it more incompetence than that or where do you put it on the spectrum?

## **REP. TOM EMMER:**

Well, I, you know, it's just allegations right now, but personally, you don't let a billion dollars plus go out of your administration illegally without knowing or having some reason to know that it's going on. And plus, just connect the dots, Mike. Lori Swanson was the Democrat attorney general that preceded Keith Ellison. Lori Swanson was actually prosecuting Somali daycare fraud in 2017 and 2018. Lori Swanson ran in the Democrat primary to be the governor. She ran against a guy named Tim Walz. Guess what? She lost that gubernatorial primary. Now, why is that important? Because Somalis in Minnesota, you know, by some estimates are about 80,000 people. Tim Walz and let's add now Keith Ellison. Keith Ellison becomes the attorney general. One of the first actions he takes as the attorney general is he announces that there will be no more investigations and specifically into the Somali community without his office's approval. Mike, they've never approved any investigations under Keith Ellison. They've never prosecuted anyone. And why is that important? Because neither Tim Walz nor Keith Ellison get any outstate Minnesota votes. Keith Ellison won by less than 1% in his reelection. Tim Walz won with just barely 52%, a little over 52%. That 80,000 person vote is incredibly important to getting these guys reelected. In fact, the Minneapolis City Council race where Omar—Ilhan Omar's father just got beat by Jacob Frey—literally the things that I've been told are that's a clan war between two different Somali clans. One in which Omar's father and Ilhan Omar belong to and another one that hates them that Jacob Frey aligned with, which is why you saw the mayor of Minneapolis come out and start talking in their language and frankly celebrating Somalia. You know, this damn thing is so corrupt, Mike. We now have the Minnesota Somali flag. They literally changed the state flag to look like the Somali flag. It's insane.

## **MIKE SLATER:**

There's a school district in Vermont that just yesterday raised the actual Somali flag as well. So, they have three flag poles. One's the American flag and then one's the Vermont flag and then one they put up flags of affinity



groups or whatever. They just put up the Somali flag in Vermont. What is going on?

**REP. TOM EMMER:**

School should be shut down, Mike.

**MIKE SLATER:**

Vermont and Minnesota. Minnesota. We have the mayor of Minneapolis eating Somali food, hanging on for dear life, trying not to throw up all over the table and campaigning with the five other blood clans that hate the one that the other candidate was a member of. That's crazy. This is crazy talk. And on your point about Keith Ellison not prosecuting anything or investigating anything, Dr. Oz put out the video the other day saying similar to that—that we let them have a chance to investigate. They didn't do anything. So now we're just shutting it all down and we're going to investigate ourselves out of the federal government. Is there any other effort on the Congress side to do more in Minnesota?

**REP. TOM EMMER:**

Well, the administration is hitting this hard, right? You referenced Dr. Oz. Dr. Oz has said that Tim Walz's administration is going to start providing CMS with weekly updates on how the state is actually working to stop all this fraud. They're going to freeze enrollment of all high-risk providers for 6 months. They're going to confirm all providers in place are legitimate or the state has to remove them. A common sense move. And lastly, the state—Tim Walz and company—have to send CMS a corrective action plan on how these actions will prevent this from happening again. But that's not the only one. Kelly Loeffler of the Small Business Administration announced that in just 48 hours last week, the SBA found at least 1 million in federal loans that were granted to criminals indicted in Minnesota's fraud scheme. She also said the fraud runs much deeper than originally reported. Tom Homan confirmed that the entire federal government is focused on the criminals in the Twin Cities. That's ICE, ATF, FBI, you name it. And we're already seeing their success. By the way, Secretary Noem announced the results of Operation Metro Surge in Minneapolis resulting in the arrest of dangerous illegal criminals from Somalia and other foreign nations. One criminal illegal from Somalia, Mike, was convicted of criminal sexual conduct of a minor. Another criminal illegal from El Salvador was arrested for domestic violence. These guys are insane to be celebrating criminals and you know what, defending them doesn't work. Donald Trump again is the only one who has called this out for what it is. You may not like his language. You may not agree with his approach, but you cannot argue with him actually identifying criminal conduct that is not being dealt with by Tim Walz, Keith Ellison, and frankly is being defended by one of the most duplicitous con artists I've ever seen in my life, Ilhan Omar.

**MIKE SLATER:**

Say more, duplicitous con artist? What do you mean?

**REP. TOM EMMER:**

Oh, she—this gal is an anti-semitic. She's hateful. She's a racist. She goes to the University of Minnesota campus and essentially encourages violence against Jewish students. Then she goes on national TV and goes, "Oh gosh, golly, gee whiz, you know, that Stephen Miller, he talks like Nazis used to talk." I mean, ignoring for a second that Stephen happens to be Jewish, right? And when I talk about Ilhan Omar, she doesn't have clean hands on this at all. She created the Feeding Our Future program that was the largest Somali fraud—pandemic case in the country. 90% of the people—there's over 80 people were indicted in that \$250 million fraud scheme. 90% of those indicted were from her Somali community. So she's as dirty as they come and she is a con artist. But the national news media will not hold that gal accountable for anything. Who knows why? But the American



public are smarter than that. And they agree with Donald Trump in my opinion.

## MIKE SLATER:

Well, I saw a video of her yesterday and I never trust videos where someone's speaking in a foreign language and they put English subtitles because I don't know. I can't—I don't speak Somali, so I don't know if the subtitles are right. But the video had her talking about the importance of remittances. And we actually just had a caller a moment ago call in and talk about how in the one big beautiful bill, at least from our perspective, I remember kind of hearing about this. You would know better than me, that there was an oppressive tax on remittances in there for a moment or there could have been and it was taken out, what do you think we should do about taxing remittances 80% or something to try to stop that?

## REP. TOM EMMER:

Look, until you can show me that money going back to Somalia does not go into or even through the hands of al-Shabaab, a known terrorist group, there should be no remittances. Mike, they've already confirmed that millions of dollars of Somali remittances back to Somalia have gone directly to al-Shabaab. So, Minnesota taxpayer money, Mike, has been funding a known terrorist group in a foreign country. That should not be happening. So, tax it. Okay, great. That's a bureaucrat's answer to the problem. The real answer is shut it down.

## MIKE SLATER:

I mean, you're the whip. You're whipping people up. Who around the House? Who would be for remittances still? Like, what's the steelman for allowing remittances? Sure, we don't want it to go to the terrorist group, but oh, it helps people. What do they say? People who like these things.

## REP. TOM EMMER:

Well, actually, it's not that they like them. They'll say that someone who is here legally, who is actually contributing to our society, who has family in a country, a foreign country, there should be nothing wrong with them sending money back to their family. There should be nothing wrong with that. I'm just saying when you have known criminal activity and more importantly criminal activity that is supporting a known terrorist group in a foreign country, Mike, there should be no remittances. And unless you're a Democrat who supports everything from biological males participating in women's sports to criminals themselves like Ilhan Omar supports. You can't argue with that and you wouldn't argue with that. You would not argue with someone who is here maybe even illegally doing illegal things sending remittances back to known terrorist groups. That should never be happening. That should be shut down.

## MIKE SLATER:

Yeah. I played this video. I think this is it right here. This is from one of your local—I think it's the Minneapolis NBC affiliate. And they're talking about this guy who was the victim of Medicaid fraud. And his name is Muhammad Ali—and not that one. Different Muhammad Ali—and he's a victim of Medicaid fraud. And this is what the news said and I want to know if I'm getting this wrong. You're a Minnesota guy. [Audio clip plays]

## MIKE SLATER:

I said Kenya and someone said no, Slater, there's a place in Minneapolis or Minnesota called Kenyon and maybe you pronounce it Kenya. Does this guy live in Kenya? How do you pronounce Kenyon in Minnesota?

## REP. TOM EMMER:



Kenyon. Okay, by the way, that's headed to southern Minnesota. It's down by Rochester, Minnesota, home of the famous Mayo Clinic. But, sounding to me like he lives in Kenya proper, which is the neighbor to Somalia.

**MIKE SLATER:**

Okay. So the guy's on the news complaining about being a victim of Medicaid fraud and he's complaining to the local Minneapolis news report and he himself is receiving this money and lives in Kenya. I know that just seems a little off like common sense.

**REP. TOM EMMER:**

Common sense.

**MIKE SLATER:**

Okay. All right.

**REP. TOM EMMER:**

Most Minnesotans—I really appreciate you talking about this. I thank Larry Kudlow. I thank everyone that is actually reporting on the breadth and depth of this fraud. I mean, keep in mind the acting US attorney last summer was interviewed on a local Twin Cities news station and he said the amount of fraud—it takes your breath away. I thought at that point we were going to start to see this thing unravel because we've been trying to sound the alarm on this for more than three years, Mike.

**MIKE SLATER:**

Yeah.

**REP. TOM EMMER:**

And you know what happened? Nothing. Crickets. It went silent. It wasn't until Donald Trump goes out and does a Truth on a Friday night and brings it up and now the whole world is on fire. And what? They want to say, "Oh, he's being mean. He's saying mean things about a certain group of people." Okay, so what? Put that aside. We're talking about criminals. We're talking about illegals. We're talking about people who are taking advantage of law-abiding, taxpaying citizens of this country. That's what we're talking about. Let's hold them accountable.

**MIKE SLATER:**

Talking with Tom Emmer, the House Majority Whip. I know you just got a few minutes. Let me ask you about healthcare because that seems to be the big topic in DC this week. It's a healthcare week, isn't it? Tell me about what Senator Rick Scott, who is in the healthcare field, has always been. What is the Republican proposal right now?

**REP. TOM EMMER:**

Well, there are several of them. And as the whip, what I can tell you on the House side, because Rick Scott's got a plan. You've got Susan Collins and Cassidy from Louisiana. They have a plan. I mean, everybody's got a plan. On the House side, it's similar. We've had solutions for years. I think what our speaker has decided to do—and I'll know more today—is he's going to put up a series of these things at some point this week and the series of proposals are going to be ideas such as allowing people who are similarly situated. They're businesses. So you got a small business, you are similarly aligned with other small businesses, allow them to pool together to get the same benefits of size that large corporations get for instance when they're out in the



marketplace seeking healthcare. And you know, proposals, many different things, that are more transparency, more competition, real competition in the marketplace and more choice for consumers. That's generally what the Republican proposals will be that I expect to see on the floor. What that exact list is is up to our speaker, Mike. And at the end of the day, everything that we propose has to go right at the problem of reducing the cost of healthcare in this country. And we got to remind everybody the law of the land is the Affordable Care Act. It was passed by Democrats only about 14 years ago. That damn thing has broken the health care system. So recognize that they told you more than a decade ago that you're going to be able to keep your doctor. This is going to save you about 2500 bucks. I don't know whether they were lying or they were just that ignorant, but they broke the system. And now their idea—when I say they, Democrats and people who support the unaffordable care act—is just to throw more of your money at it rather than enacting real reforms and solutions that will make the best health care in the world more available to every American as opposed to what we've got now. So we got to just keep reminding people.

### **MIKE SLATER:**

Yes. Correct me if I'm wrong, but it seems like the Republican proposals then are a bunch of—I don't want to say small things because like the one you just mentioned about pooling similar businesses, like that's a big deal if you're in there so it's not small—but is there no Republican like massive comprehensive—that's the big word always—like Obamacare size proposal from Republicans or is it going to be piecemeal?

### **REP. TOM EMMER:**

Mike, Mike Johnson would tell you that back a couple years back the Republican Study Committee had a complete plan. That's what I expect. If people want to go look up what the Republican Study Committee has done, I expect that plan to be in large part what our speaker puts forward this week.

### **MIKE SLATER:**

Oh, interesting. At one time or pieces of it?

### **REP. TOM EMMER:**

I think that's up to him. So, as the whip, I don't make those decisions, Mike. Mike Johnson will make that call, his office. And like I say, will he put it all up or will he just put up a series of votes? Totally up to him. But I understand if he does a series of votes, the idea would be to not only move the reforms, but to be able to showcase why each one of these reforms would actually reduce the cost of healthcare, increase the amount of transparency and give more choices to American healthcare choices to Americans.

### **MIKE SLATER:**

Yeah. To show how the Democrats screwed it up in the first place. Congressman Tom Emmer, where can people get in touch with you and follow you?

### **REP. TOM EMMER:**

Well, just look me up on your social media. I think it's pretty easy to find Tom Emmer at TomEmmer.com and Tom Emmer for Congress and Tom Emmer for this and that. I just appreciate—I just appreciate you, Mike Slater. Thanks for getting the word out all the time.



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