



Rep. Tom Emmer on FLORIDA'S VOICE WITH FREW STEELE – DECEMBER 2, 2025

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HOST:

That's GOP Majority Whip, Tom Emmer joining us on Florida's Voice. How are you, sir?

REP. TOM EMMER:

I'm doing great, man. I'm doing great. For a rainy, cold December day in Washington, D.C., I'm doing great.

HOST:

Yeah, yeah. You know, I left, it was 85. I'm just saying, it's a Florida thing.

REP. TOM EMMER:

Remember, I'm the whip, so some would tell you that this weather here, the cold rain, matches my personality.

HOST:

I'll tell you, everybody's bringing the energy today. Talk about that for a second. There is energy, there's definitely energy in this room with regard to all the things with the RC and what has been talked about, affordability and law and order, which is funny how there are some who think differently, like other than that's what we need in this country, full stop, and other things. There is an energy here. It's really good.

REP. TOM EMMER:

Well, the energy is coming from the fact that we had a political meeting with all of our Republican members this morning, and there was a great discussion about the fact that the mainstream media, that some in my state would call the lamestreet stream media, that reports an agenda. They don't report the facts. They have a narrative that they are spreading, and what's their narrative? The president's popularity is waning. Well, we all know that is competently false. Their narrative is, oh, I mean, Republicans are in trouble because in the federal government, in the midterms, because of healthcare, because of affordability of housing, because of, no, it's just the opposite. They broke it. We were elected with Donald J. Trump to fix it. Donald J. Trump and Republicans, in less than one year, took an economy that Joe Biden and Democrats threw into the ditch over the course of four years. He has cut the double-digit inflation that they created by pumping \$2 trillion into our economy when they were told this is what would happen. By the way, most economists call the American Rescue Plan, which was that plan, the original sin, because that is what drove double-digit inflation like we hadn't seen in five decades. Donald Trump and Republicans have cut that in half in less than a year, and we still have work to do, but Americans can see that. Gas prices are at their lowest number in five years. We've got challenges, but they have all been created by Democrats' failed policies. Take the healthcare issue. They want to make this a big deal about these subsidies. It affects 7% of Americans are affected by the enhanced premium tax credits that Democrats created during the pandemic. They set the expiration date at the end of the



year, 7%. What they're not talking about, and this is where the energy comes from, is, guess what? If you continue to throw money at that the way Democrats did, one, it only is going to help 7% of the population, and two, it's only going to take care of about 4% of the 20% to 30% increase that everybody is getting on their healthcare premiums. Now you've got to ask, why is everybody getting a 20% to 30% increase this year? It's the law of the land. It's called the Unaffordable Care Act today. Fifteen years ago, Democrats and Republicans only passed a bill that they called the Affordable Care Act back then, and you'll remember their promise. If you like your doctor, you can keep him. If you like your health plan, you can keep it. By the way, we're going to reduce the cost of those health plans. In fact, premiums have gone up for some people almost 100% in the 15 years since the Unaffordable Care Act broke the marketplace when it came to healthcare. Biden's and Donald J. Trump will fix that too. That's where you're getting the energy. We know what we're here for, and we're hard at it.

HOST:

Can you imagine telling somebody maybe 10 years ago that Democrats would open up the Pandora's box of how unaffordable the Affordable Care Act is as a weapon to try to shut down the government and get a subsidy because it can't stand on its own? That boggles my mind.

REP. TOM EMMER:

Actually, again, it's the press that boggles my mind because that whole thing was another farce. It was a lie. There was an alternative bill that they filed in the Senate that was 68 pages long in response to the clean CR that the Republican House sent them. Clean CR was literally something that Democrats in the Senate had voted for 13 times under Obama. I would argue that Chuck Schumer wrote the darn thing, right? We sent them that clean CR on September 19th. They filed a counter after the shutdown. By the way, one and a half pages of the 68 dealt with the enhanced premium tax credits. The rest was like putting illegals back on Medicaid. It was spending \$1.5 trillion more. By the way, the same thing they did under Joe Biden with the American Rescue Plan. They were re-proposing it as the solution to the shutdown. It wasn't about healthcare, but this media continues to follow their false narrative and make it their own. Thank God for people like you and others that are in this room today that actually will take the truth to the people and allow the people to discern for themselves right from wrong rather than have Democrats gaslighting them at every turn.

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