



Rep. Tom Emmer on CATS AND CROSBY – DECEMBER 11, 2025

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We have the House Majority Whip as you said, John Tom Emmer from the great state of Minnesota. And Mr. Majority Whip, it's so great to have you here. We love having you here.

REP. TOM EMMER:

Yeah, great to be back with you guys and thanks for talking about the Tim Walz fraud.

HOST_NAME:

Yeah, and that's where I want to start because how much do you think he's entrenched in this? There's so many different allegations, congressman, because you're hearing first that not only was he governor, obviously, and is governor during all of this, but then there are all these allegations from whistleblowers that he and his office were aware of it and turned a blind eye. So, where is this going?

REP. TOM EMMER:

Well, first off, I'll just set up a scenario before we go into how deep and how broad this fraud really is. It's a billion dollars and growing, right? But this, you know, it's not that all Somali are criminals, but it just so happens that 90% of the people who have been charged with these crimes are from the Somali community. And here's a scenario for you. In 2017 and 18, the Democrat attorney general, Lori Swanson, was investigating and prosecuting Somali daycare fraud. Ms. Swanson ran in the Democrat primary to be the gubernatorial candidate in 2018 against Tim Walz. Her replacement as the attorney general was a guy named Keith Ellison who was Ilhan Omar's predecessor and he's responsible for giving us Ilhan Omar in Congress. Keith Ellison, it has been alleged, made a deal with the Somali community. There's about 80,000 Somali in Minnesota. Most of them are concentrated in the Cedar Riverside area in Minneapolis. He made this deal because once he was in office and Tim Walz had been elected governor, Keith Ellison allegedly set up a requirement in the attorney general's office that there would be no further investigations without his approval. There have never been any investigations. And you are right. There are whistleblowers out there and if they are real, which I suspect they are, but more importantly, if they can document their claims, specifically that they were telling Tim Walz, Keith Ellison, whoever about the \$250 million that was being bilked out of the Feeding Our Future program, the largest pandemic fraud case in the country, about the \$100 million that was being bilked out of the Medicaid housing program, which was started, by the way, in 2020 under the Walz administration. And when they started it, they estimated the cost was going to be a little more than 2 million a year. In the first four years, they sucked a hundred million out and they shut it down just this past October after they'd sucked another 61 million out. And then you've got 80 autism centers under investigation. Apparently one in 16 Somali four year olds is autistic, which if that's true, it's more than three times the state average. The list goes on and on. But I'll finish you with this. If the whistleblowers are real and if their claims can be documented that they not only notified and



that Tim Walz not only ignored them but tried to retaliate against him, there should be criminal charges, guys. This is not just systemic fraud. This is criminal activity. This is complicity.

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Mr. Le Judge Richard Wamper. Good to talk to you again. That's exactly right. They are aiding and abetting and part of a criminal conspiracy to defraud the state of Minnesota. It's absolutely outrageous. And these again, these are not isolated instance. This is systemic activity over a period of years and a whole bunch of programs. Is that correct?

HOST_NAME:

And if it can be proven that they knew about it. I mean that's where this is where it opens up an enormous can of worms.

REP. TOM EMMER:

Well, so two other things and good to hear you judge. Two other things. You're right. First off, let's go back to the reelection of Tim Walls and Keith Ellison three years ago. Keith Ellison won by less than a point. Tim Walls won with 52% of the vote. You see, they need those votes in order to actually win because they don't get votes in greater Minnesota. Tim Walls is a great example. That 52% we have 87 counties. He only won 13. In the 74 that he lost, he only got 37% of the vote. He lost his former congressional district by eight points.

HOST_NAME:

Wow.

REP. TOM EMMER:

I guess they really knew him well in his former congressional district.

HOST_NAME:

Oh, no. He lied about who he was. The guy's an admitted liar. He was caught lying on national TV for God's sakes. And his response was, "You know, sometimes I'm a bit of a knucklehead, but if you look at this, yes, you got more than a billion dollars going out under your administration in the last 7 years, and nobody in your administration has been held accountable for any of it." By the way, somebody's got to start looking into how did Ilhan Omar, who had absolutely nothing, is now saying she's worth \$26 million. There's a whole bunch of red flags on this thing and it should be investigated and people should be held accountable.

HOST_NAME:

Somebody has to go to jail otherwise we're not going to cure the problem in the United States of America.

HOST_NAME:

Mr. Leo, what is it? Stock tips from Pelosi's husband perhaps.



REP. TOM EMMER:

I got to tell you, I got to give a thank you to Donald Trump because we've been trying to sound the alarm on this in Minnesota for the last 3 years. Our media in the Twin Cities in particular should be ashamed of themselves. They literally have taken a knee to Tim Walz and these crooked politicians the entire time. They would never write anything about them. And guess what? It took Donald J. Trump to send out one of his truths on a Friday night to light this thing up finally. I mean, think about this guys. Last summer, the acting US attorney did an interview for a Minneapolis news station in which he tried to sound the alarm. He even said the amount of fraud under the Walz administration would take your breath away. At that point, you thought for sure they'd start reporting on it. Nothing. Crickets. Not until Donald Trump lit the fuse. They're finally reporting it. And it's about time.

HOST_NAME:

By the way, what do you think's going to happen with Ilhan Omar? Did you see this also Majority Whip Tom Emmer that came out yesterday. Homeman was asked is there a question about her even her immigration status? and he said, "We are looking into it this week." I mean, there could be some interesting stuff there.

REP. TOM EMMER:

Well, let's be clear about this. If you come to this country and misrepresent who you are, make misrepresentations to gain admission to the country and later become a citizen. I got news for you. You're still not here legally and you need to go. You know, there are many allegations that there was interfamily marriage to help a relative gain entry into this country. There have been all kinds of these things out there and it's about time somebody starts looking into it. Look, she is a hateful racist anti-semitic and by the way, one of the biggest con artists that ever lived. This gal is one of the most evil people. She goes to the University of Minnesota campus. She essentially encourages violence on Jewish students. Then she has the audacity to go on national TV and say, "Well, they're only picking on us because of race." I got news for Ilhan. You can't defend criminals. It's not about what your race is or where you come from. It's about lying. It's about cheating. It's about stealing. And you should be held accountable for it. Well, Representative Emmer, I mean, you say it the way it is. I mean, no wonder you are the whip leader.

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You're whipping us up.

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You're whipping us up tonight, too.

REP. TOM EMMER:

Well, I'm so grateful for President Trump because these guys have been getting away with this for a long time. And because of him, it's finally being reported. I'm very sad that this is what my state is in the news for, but I'm very hopeful that these people will be brought to justice and we can clean this thing up.

HOST_NAME:

Well, thank you so much for coming on and we're going to have all you on more often because you know how to say it and you know how to get the message across.



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