

### Introduction

When Louisiana Representative Mike Johnson became Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives last year, he brought with him an abhorrent record as one of the most extreme Members of Congress. Over the course of his career, <u>Johnson has made it his mission to push MAGA policies</u> that have left his constituents—and the country—behind. As Speaker of the House and leader of the Republican caucus, Johnson has used the power of his new office to try to force this deeply unpopular, extreme MAGA agenda on the American people.

While this is par for the course for the extreme House majority, Americans want to see their elected representatives in Congress working hard to make this country a better place for their children and grandchildren. Instead, we've seen Speaker Johnson and his fellow MAGA extremists put forth legislation that has fundamentally failed to deliver anything other than policies that leave our families, our communities, and our economy further behind.

From his pursuit of radical abortion restrictions to his whitewashing of the January 6 insurrection, Johnson's so-called leadership of the House has been a direct attack on working families and will have devastating consequences for our democracy.

Here's what you need to know about his first 100 days as House Speaker:

### MAGA Mike Brought His Abhorrent Record to the Speaker's Office

Speaker Johnson is an Election Denier Who has Repeatedly Doubled Down on Whitewashing January 6th During His First 100 Days as Speaker

- Johnson has <u>deep ties</u> to far-right activists, Christian Nationalists, and others who helped fuel the
  January 6th insurrection. Johnson <u>convinced</u> his Republican colleagues to sign onto the MAGA
  amicus brief in the Texas lawsuit "seeking to invalidate electoral college votes from Georgia,
  Michigan, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin." Since 2020, Johnson has been a leader in MAGA's
  misinformation campaign, like <u>sharing</u> unfounded claims about "voting machines [...] being rigged."
  As recently as November 2023, Johnson <u>defended</u> claims that the election was stolen through
  widespread fraud.
- In November 2023, Johnson <u>announced</u> that he would release tens of thousands of hours of security footage from the Capitol on January 6th, 2021. Before releasing the footage, Johnson <u>said</u> that his staff needed to "blur some of the faces" of the insurrectionists because "we don't want them to be retaliated against and to be charged by the DOJ [Department of Justice] and to have other, you know, concerns and problems."

- Johnson continues to deny the legitimacy of the 2020 election, <u>telling Face the Nation</u> in January 2024 that "the Constitution was clearly violated in the 2020 election," despite repeated court rulings that the elections were conducted appropriately.
- Johnson <u>defended</u> House Republican Conference Chair Elise Stefanik after she referred to January 6th insurrection defendants as "<u>hostages</u>" and <u>refused</u> to commit to voting to certify the 2024 election results.

#### **Speaker Johnson is an Anti-Abortion Champion**

- As Speaker, Johnson <u>spoke</u> at the 2024 March for Life anti-abortion rally, where he took the
  opportunity to promote the Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Women and Families Act, which
  would block the Biden administration from restricting federal funds to "pregnancy resource centers,"
  also known as crisis pregnancy centers.
- According to the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, crisis pregnancy centers are
   "facilities that represent themselves as legitimate reproductive health care clinics providing care for
   pregnant people but actually aim to dissuade people from accessing certain types of reproductive
   health care, including abortion care and even contraceptive options."

### **Partner Spotlight**



### Speaker Johnson's Decade-Long Leadership in Far-Right Extremist Group Exposed

Speaker Mike Johnson has <u>spent decades</u> as a leader of Living Waters Publications, a far-right extremist group that has espoused intensely homophobic, Islamophobic, and anti-abortion beliefs.

The organization, on whose board Johnson has served for the past decade, has gone as far as to seemingly refer to mpox (formerly known as monkeypox) as an "inevitable and appropriate" penalty of homosexuality and claim that former President Obama was a potential "antichrist" due to his "leanings toward Islam." Living Waters' founder and CEO Ray Comfort "also bemoaned the fact that Christians could

no longer call homosexuality 'morally wrong.' There was a time in America when we could say these things without any real repercussions,' he noted."

Comfort praised Johnson's election as speaker, calling him "wonderful."

As <u>Politico</u> noted, in a recent podcast interview with Comfort, Johnson similarly praised Comfort and his organization. "Johnson said he was first introduced to Comfort when someone more than two decades ago gave him a cassette tape of a sermon of Comfort's called 'Hell's Best Kept Secret.' 'It was a game-changer for me, Ray and I've told you that many times over the years,' he said. 'I am such a big fan of your ministry and of you [...] I'm just really grateful for all that you do and the team at Living Waters."

"It's certainly another troubling sign of how extreme Johnson's views may be, that he would sit on a board and wouldn't have a problem with them putting out ideas like this," Robert Jones, president and founder of the Public Religion Research Institute, told Politico.

For more information on Johnson's ties to far-right extremism, Accountable.US released a <u>report</u> on Johnson's decades-long legal history working to roll back critical LGBTQ and reproductive rights, <u>exposed</u> his extreme views intertwined in his political and business life, <u>highlighted</u> his ties to the Southern Poverty Law Center-designated hate group <u>Alliance Defending Freedom</u>, and <u>exposed</u> the fringe evolution-denying, anti-LGBTQ, and anti-choice beliefs of several members of his nonprofit board.

### What Johnson's MAGA House Has (Not) Accomplished

House Republicans under Johnson's leadership have been unable to pass their own priorities. On multiple occasions, far-right Republicans have tanked procedural votes to consider appropriations legislation written by Johnson and other Republicans.

- In <u>November 2023</u>, a "band of House conservatives tanked a procedural vote to advance an appropriations bill." According to The Hill, procedural votes like these are "typically routine and predictable."
- In <u>January 2024</u>, "House GOP hard-liners tanked a procedural vote [...] in protest of House Speaker Mike Johnson." According to the Washington Post, "The 'rules' vote has historically been a mundane procedural step in considering legislation — and one that is typically easily passed by the majority party."

In fact, the 118th Congress "is on track to be one of the most unproductive in modern history, with just a couple dozen laws on the books at the close of 2023."

- Just 13 bills passed by Speaker Johnson's House have become law, and the majority were bills that
  passed with unanimous consent or few votes in opposition, including a bill to reauthorize the FCC to
  sell specified bands of the electromagnetic spectrum for telecommunications, a bill to reauthorize the
  Federal Election Commission Administration Fine Program, and a bill which excludes security
  improvements from the square-footage maximums for Senate offices.
- Two of these 13 laws have been continuing resolutions to buy more time to pass appropriations bills.

## What (Little) MAGA Republicans Have Passed Threatens Working Families

### **Appropriations Bills that Attack Working Families**

- In October 2023, House Republicans <u>passed</u> their FY24 Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act in a 210-199 vote. The Energy and Water bill would raise costs for consumers by raising taxes on <u>energy-efficient appliances</u>, defund important climate change programs in the <u>Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation</u>, and defund the Department of Energy's IIJA Civil <u>Nuclear Credit Program</u> that preserves the existing U.S. reactor fleet and supports thousands of high-paying jobs across the country.
  - The FY24 Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act also contained extreme partisan policy riders which permit <u>discrimination against same-sex</u> <u>marriage</u> and LGBTQ people, <u>ban Diversity</u>, <u>Equity</u>, <u>and Inclusion programs</u>, and allow <u>more</u> <u>firearms on public lands</u>.
- In November 2023, House Republicans <u>passed</u> their FY24 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act in a <u>213-203</u> vote. The Interior and Environment bill would rescind more than <u>\$9 billion in funding</u> for the Environmental Protection Agency and other environmental protection programs, including \$7.8 billion from the Greenhouse <u>Gas Reduction Fund</u>, "which supports investments for disadvantaged communities and the creation of high-paying jobs." The Interior and Environment bill also <u>promotes dirty energy</u> by forcing fossil fuel lease sales on federal lands and cuts over <u>\$1 billion</u> for grants to provide clean, safe water to communities across the country.
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### **Anti-Abortion Bills Restricting Access to Care**

#### House Republicans Vote on Bills Supporting Fake Health Clinics Ahead of Roe Anniversary

In January, House Republicans introduced two bills aimed at further restricting people's access to abortion care. Both measures were voted on and passed by the Republican-controlled House on January 18, 2024.

- H.R. 6914 Pregnant Students' Rights Act: Requires all IHE's (institutions of higher education) that
  received federal funding to provide information to pregnant students related to carrying the
  pregnancy to term. The bill does not require any information about abortion services or access to
  contraception to be provided.
- <u>H.R. 6918</u> Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Women Act: This bill seeks to <u>prohibit</u> the Department
  of Health and Human Services (HHS) from limiting federal funds for fake health centers, also known
  as crisis pregnancy centers. The bill would allow funds from the Temporary Assistance for Needy
  Families program to be diverted from the intentions of the program and instead, be spent on crisis
  pregnancy centers.
- Despite this, the <u>House GOP conference</u> has gone on record as being disappointed and frustrated that not enough anti-abortion legislation and policy riders are moving in Congress.
  - "Rep. Bob Good (R-VA), chair of the House Freedom Caucus, warned 'the majority of the Republican conference' will be 'disappointed and upset' if Johnson doesn't do more to fight for the anti-abortion policy riders that conservatives have demanded since last year."



## FACT SHEET: 100 Days of Republican Failure Under House Speaker MAGA Mike Johnson

100 days ago this week, House Republicans voted in a new election denier to be Speaker of the House of Representatives: MAGA extremist Mike Johnson. Johnson has always been a puppet of Trump, an architect of election denial, and a conspiracy theorist. It came as no surprise that he would be a strong advocate for the House GOP's bogus impeachment against President Biden, and looking back at his first 100 days in power exposes a pattern of failure. Under Speaker Johnson's leadership, Republicans have escalated their investigations against President Biden, voting to authorize a formal impeachment inquiry even though many Republicans are casting doubt, with one lawmaker calling the process "a parade of embarrassments."

It's clear that Johnson will only continue to use the speaker's gavel to try and undermine our democracy, restore Trump to power, and pursue an extreme MAGA agenda that throws hard-working American families under the bus.

January 2024: "A Parade of Embarrassments": After Over A Year of Baseless Investigations and Hype, House Republicans Are Doubtful About Their Own Johnson-Backed Impeachment Push Against President Biden. After months of insisting that evidence of a 'smoking gun' pointing to an impeachable offense was just around the corner, Republicans are walking back their baseless impeachment push, with Oversight James Comer claiming his job "was never to impeach" – even though he was planning politically-motivated investigations before the 2022 midterm elections. As of January 2024, Republicans ranging from Troy Nehls (R-TX) to Garret Graves (R-LA) have begun expressing doubt about the probe, saying, "the votes aren't there," and "I don't know if we have the will to do it." An anonymous lawmaker told reporters, "it's been a parade of embarrassments." A source close to House GOP leadership said, "I don't know how Republicans actually impeach the president based on his clueless investigation and lack of leadership." A senior House GOP aide said, "It was a disaster. They looked like buffoons...They have stumbled with high profile information that wasn't what it was promised."

**Last Week: Yet Another House GOP Witness Undermined Their Own Allegations Against President Biden.** Last week, House Republicans interviewed a former business associate of the Biden family who, before the interview, had told Congress that he had "no contact" with President Biden. The witness confirmed that he "never met, spoke to, did business with" President Biden, further undermining GOP claims.

January 2024: A Witness Called Out House Republicans For "Cherry-Picked, Out-Of-Context, and Totally Misleading Descriptions" of Closed-Door Deposition. On Jan. 18, Hunter Biden's close friend Kevin Morris gave closed-door testimony to the House Oversight Committee. After the deposition, Oversight Chair James Comer released a press statement accusing Hunter of trading Morris "access to the Biden White House" in exchange for a small personal loan. In response, Morris' lawyer blasted Comer's lies, sending a letter calling out Comer's "cherry-picked" statements, and demanded that Comer release the full, unedited transcript. As the lawyer reportedly said, "Morris testified that he never thought of Joe Biden's campaign when loaning money to Hunter Biden and was 'only focused on helping his client." After facing significant backlash, House Republicans agreed to release the full deposition transcript publicly. The transcript further exposed Comer's lies and misleading claims, with a Washington Post analyst writing, "None of this is justified by Morris's testimony; Comer is instead simply trying to frame Morris's testimony in negative terms. He does so, presumably, because he knows that his close allies in right-wing media will not read the primary document and because he is signaling how the testimony should be contextualized."

November – December 2023: House Republicans, Led By Speaker Johnson, Voted To Launch A Formal Impeachment Probe Against President Biden – Even Though Johnson Privately Admitted He Didn't See Any Evidence. In mid-December, shortly before departing for recess, House Republicans voted to begin an impeachment inquiry into President Biden despite a complete lack of evidence showing any wrongdoing. Speaker Johnson justified the escalation as a "constitutional responsibility," saying, "we have to take the next step." The month prior, Speaker Johnson indicated to a group of Republicans that there was insufficient evidence to initiate formal impeachment proceedings. Nevertheless, Johnson quickly embraced the impeachment probe – "urged on by former President Donald J. Trump," as the New York Times reported.

December 2023: House Republicans Launched Debunked Corruption Accusations Made While Joe Biden Was Out of Office. In early December 2023, House Republicans released a video making misleading, speculative claims regarding three payments totaling less than \$5,000. Instead of providing new evidence to support their ludicrous claims, however, Republicans pulled up three already-reported-on payments that occurred while President Biden neither held public office nor was a candidate for one. Other records show that the payments were Hunter reimbursing his father for car payments. Their claims were quickly debunked. The Washington Post found that Oversight Republicans have "consistently oversold or misrepresented"

the committee's investigative findings as he has argued to initiate impeachment proceedings," and the Daily Beast <u>pointed out</u>, "House Republicans were able to parade around their latest proof of President Joe Biden's purported corruption for all of a few hours on Monday before it was unceremoniously debunked."

November 2023: Comer Started Winding Down His Impeachment Probe, Claiming The Investigation Was In A "Downhill Phase," Despite Finding No Evidence of Any Wrongdoing. Shortly after Johnson was elected Speaker, House Republicans announced that their impeachment inquiry was entering a "downhill phase," and Oversight Chair James Comer admitted he did not want to hold any more hearings, wrapping up his investigation despite the fact that House Republicans have been completely unable to show a single shred of wrongdoing by President Biden. Even at their first (and only) impeachment hearing months earlier, Republicans' own witnesses said there was no evidence for impeachment.

October 2023: The House GOP's Star Witnesses Debunked Republicans' Lies. In late October 2023, the House Judiciary Committee called on two U.S. attorneys – Scott Brady, who served as President Donald Trump's U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and Martin Estrada, the current U.S. Attorney for the Central District of California – to testify on the ongoing criminal proceedings against Hunter Biden. But instead of validating Republicans' bogus claims about Special Counsel David Weiss, both witnesses debunked them. As Brady explained, he has no reason to doubt that Mr. Weiss is "fairly and honestly prosecuting the case."

October – December 2023: Despite Evidence Indicating Otherwise, House Republicans Overhyped A Loan Repayment Between James Biden and President Biden – While He Was Out-of-Office. In mid-October 2023, Oversight Chair Comer overhyped a transaction he discovered between James Biden and President Biden, tweeting, "We have found a \$200,000 DIRECT payment to Joe Biden." Fact checkers quickly debunked his claims, and despite receiving more than 14,000 pages of bank records as part of his Biden family probe, Republicans failed to find a single transaction showing any evidence of wrongdoing by President Biden. Their efforts to overhype the transactions drew mockery, with HuffPost calling the revelations a "dud," and NBC News calling out the loan earmark as a "glaring flaw" in the allegations. Even Fox News, "largely steered clear of the latest bombshell." In late December 2023, a trustee for

Americore testified to the House Oversight Committee, reportedly <u>telling</u> the members that she <u>"possessed no knowledge that the president was directly involved in those dealings."</u>

#### **Partner Spotlight**



## Mike Johnson's First 100 Days as Speaker of the House of Representatives

In Mike Johnson's first 100 days as House Speaker, Johnson has frequently appeared as a guest on Fox News, fueled right-wing media conspiracy theories about Jan. 6, and participated in speaking engagements with anti-LGBTQ extremists.

- Following his election as House speaker, Mike Johnson granted his first TV interview as speaker to Fox News. He has since appeared on Fox News and Fox Business at least 11 more times, according to Media Matters' internal database.
- Fox's <u>Sean Hannity also hosted a town hall</u> at the Capitol with Johnson and House Republicans following Johnson's election, during which Hannity warned against the "divisive infighting," telling members to "put aside personal drudges, individual agendas" to "deliver big on issues" like "border security," "energy independence," and "fiscal sanity."
- Fox hosts have also <u>whitewashed</u> Johnson's history of <u>anti-LGBTQ extremism</u> and his <u>propagation of lies about the 2020 election</u> lies which ultimately cost Fox \$787 million. O Johnson's interviews on the network have instead focused on criticizing the Biden administration's <u>policies on the border</u> and <u>funding for Ukraine</u>, as well as defending House Republicans' <u>impeachment inquiry</u> into President Biden.
- Like Johnson's <u>predecessor</u>, **Johnson has used his position as House speaker to <u>fuel</u> <u>right-wing media conspiracies</u> about the January 6, 2021 insurrection.** 
  - After Johnson released Capitol footage of the insurrection, right-wing media spread conspiracy theories about the riot, using the footage to downplay the violence against capitol police and claim the events of January 6 were "not an insurrection."
- Since becoming speaker, Johnson has made public appearances alongside far-right media

**figures and continued to <u>use hateful rhetoric</u> about LGBTQ people** in particular. O In December, Johnson received an award and gave a keynote address at an event featuring <u>right-wing media figures</u> who have pushed extreme anti-LGBTQ, anti-abortion, and Christian nationalist rhetoric. Notably, at the event itself, right-wing media figures <u>invoked virulent</u> <u>anti-LGBTQ rhetoric</u> labeling trans people "demonic."

After initially celebrating Mike Johnson's election as House speaker, some high profile right-wing media personalities have since soured on his speakership for fear he will compromise on border policy.

- Turning Point USA co-founder <u>Charlie Kirk</u> originally <u>endorsed</u> Mike Johnson as a "patriot" and a
  "very smart man," as well as "the person the media has told us to hate." Just five days later, Kirk
  <u>turned</u> on Johnson, saying "I told you guys he was going to let you down, and he is letting you
  down."
  - More recently, Kirk <u>criticized</u> Johnson's <u>inability to broker a deal on border policy</u>, <u>questioned whether Johnson is a true Christian</u> over his handling of the southern border, and claimed the country is in "a slow-motion civil war."
- Despite\_endorsing Johnson and helping to\_push Kevin McCarthy out from his former role as House speaker, War Room host Steve Bannon has also soured on the new speaker. Bannon has since called Johnson "a hot mess" and "a wimp," and went so far as to claim that "If that's what a committed Christian does, you're going to lead young men to start looking at Islam."
- Multiple right-wing media figures, including Fox host Laura Ingraham, Federalist co-founder Sean Davis, Newsmax's Carl Higbie, and more, <u>turned on Johnson</u> during negotiations over a budget agreement, criticizing Johnson's leadership and claiming he "folded" to Democratic interests.
  - Right-wing media figures further called on Republicans in Congress to reject the tentative deal, with some calling for a government shutdown if the government funding agreement did not include restrictions on migration.
- Right-wing media have also expressed <u>outrage over Johnson's negotiations with the White House on border deals</u>, claiming Johnson has allowed the border to remain "wide open." Some figures further claimed Johnson should be stripped of his office for giving Democrats "what they want" on immigration.

## Speaker Johnson's MAGA Wish List: Government Shutdown or Extreme Poison Pills

Led by Speaker Mike Johnson, MAGA extremists in the U.S. House of Representatives are barreling our country toward a government shutdown once again in an effort to get their extreme agenda into funding bills, including extreme abortion bans and slashing programs that millions of Americans rely on.

Speaker Johnson <u>said</u> the current topline funding agreement allows House Republicans to "fight for the important policy riders included in our House FY24 bills" and that <u>GOP leaders</u> are "putting ourselves in a position to go argue for our priorities, our riders on the spending bills."

Many extreme House Republicans have explicitly said they do not fear a shutdown if their extreme demands are not met—and these threats are not hollow:

- Reps. Chip Roy, Barry Moore, Bob Good, and Ralph Norman have signed the Immigration
   Accountability Project's 2024 Border Crisis Member <u>Pledge</u>, which states that they "will not vote to
   fund the government until our border is secure."
- Barry Moore said we need to "Shut down the border or shut down the government."
- Andy Biggs "repeatedly has called for a government shutdown."
- The <u>House Freedom Caucus</u> said, "[The continuing resolution to avoid a shutdown] is what surrender looks like."

These extreme MAGA priorities are not only harmful to Americans from all walks of life, they are deeply unpopular. <u>Two in three Americans</u> agree that it's never right to shut down the federal government, with even greater opposition when Republicans are doing it to push their ideological demands. Additionally, at least <u>three in four Americans</u> oppose Republicans' proposed cuts.

Below are some of the most egregious poison pills extreme House Republicans have tried to push through the appropriations process.

- 1. Restrict abortion access, including for <u>veterans</u> and <u>active military</u>, and limit access to the abortion medication <u>mifepristone</u>.
- 2. <u>Allow discrimination</u> against LGBTQ+ people, including same-sex marriage, and <u>eliminate</u> the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act grants.
- 3. <u>Limit Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion</u> programs, including <u>blocking executive</u> orders on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

- 4. Undercut efforts to combat climate change, including <u>studying climate change</u> and resiliency, the procurement of <u>electric vehicles</u> and climate-related improvements at <u>federal facilities</u>, and the promotion of <u>Environmental</u>, <u>Social</u>, <u>Governance</u> (<u>ESG</u>) investment criteria.
- 5. Make it <u>more difficult</u> to vote, by blocking the implementation of President Biden's Executive Order on Promoting Access to Voting, which directs federal agencies to consider steps they could take to increase voter participation.
- 6. Undermine efforts to <u>reduce the danger</u> posed by firearms, including blocking red flag laws/extreme risk protection orders, eliminating reporting requirements for gun dealers, <u>blocking</u> the Department of Health and Human Services from declaring a public health emergency related to guns, blocking executive orders on reducing gun violence, blocking any efforts to regulate untraceable "ghost guns," blocking the ATF from regulating lethal firearm attachments like stabilizing braces, prohibiting the study of any future actions that could be interpreted as a restriction on firearms, and blocking the CDC's firearm injury and mortality prevention research.
- 7. Prevents the Department of Education from <u>implementing regulations</u> to lessen the burden of student loans.

In addition, House Budget Committee Chair Jodey Arrington <u>proposed</u> <u>using</u> appropriations bills to pass fiscal commission legislation, which would pose a major threat to Social Security, Medicare, and even veterans' benefits.

- On January 18th, 2024, the House Budget Committee <u>voted</u> to advance H.R. 5779, the Fiscal Commission Act. This legislation would <u>create a commission</u> to address the federal debt and federal trust funds, including the Social Security and Medicare funds.
- Senate Finance Committee Chair Ron Wyden <u>said</u> the commission would allow Republicans to "short-circuit the legislative process" to enact devastating and massively unpopular cuts to Social Security and Medicare.
- The Center for Budget and Policy Priorities <u>found</u> that H.R. 5779 could lead to substantial cuts to "Social Security and Medicare, defense, or veterans' benefits" or other crucial assistance programs.
- Social Security Works and other advocates for seniors, workers, and people with disabilities expressed <u>strong opposition</u> to this bill.

## Conclusion: Speaker Johnson and MAGA Republicans Continue to Fail the American People

### **Partner Spotlight**

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### The American People Are Concerned by Johnson, GOP's Extremism

Recently, Navigator Research found that four in five Americans expressed concern about a number of Speaker Johnson's past issues positions and votes while in Congress, especially the economic consequences for working families and seniors. The top concerns with Speaker Johnson's record include that he "has voted to cut programs like Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid and has called cutting them his number one priority" (85 percent find this concerning, including 83 percent of independents and 73 percent of Republicans), that he "voted against healthcare for veterans exposed to toxic burn pits while serving" (86 percent find this concerning, including 86 percent of independents and 74 percent of Republicans), that he "voted against giving Medicare the power to negotiate for lower prescription drug prices" (81 percent find this concerning, including 84 percent of independents and 66 percent of Republicans), and that he "voted against capping the cost of insulin" (79 percent find this concerning, including 82 percent of independents and 65 percent of Republicans).

Navigator Research found that other top concerns from over seven in ten Americans include:

- Mike Johnson voted against protecting interracial marriage (74 percent find this concerning, including 74 percent of independents and 54 percent of Republicans);
- Mike Johnson voted against keeping guns out of the hands of people convicted of domestic abuse and stalking (73 percent find this concerning, including 70 percent of independents and 59 percent of Republicans); and,
- Mike Johnson supports banning abortions, including criminally prosecuting doctors who perform abortions with sentences of 1-10 years of hard labor (71 percent find this concerning, including 73 percent of independents and 46 percent of Republicans).

Less than three in ten Americans have a favorable view of Speaker Mike Johnson, as his favorability has declined since he was elected to Speaker. Currently, favorability of Mike Johnson is underwater (net

-8; 27 percent favorable – 35 percent unfavorable) including among Democrats (net -44; 8 percent favorable – 52 percent unfavorable) and independents (net -20; 15 percent favorable – 35 percent unfavorable). Favorability of Mike Johnson has steadily declined since he was elected speaker (from net -1 to net -8).

### Even Johnson's Allies Admit He's Failing as Speaker

Even Johnson's allies think he is doing a poor job as Speaker. Johnson has faced significant criticism from members of his own party for his meager attempts to keep the government from shutting down.

- Rep. Chip Roy <u>left open</u> the possibility of filing a motion to vacate against Johnson and has <u>said</u> that there is no "material, meaningful, significant thing" that "the Republican majority has done."
- Rep. Andy Biggs has <u>lamented</u> that Republicans "have nothing to go out there and campaign on" because they have done "nothing."
- Rep. Warren Davidson "<u>stormed</u> out of a House GOP meeting led by Speaker Mike Johnson" because he did not believe Johnson had a plan "except surrender."
- Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene <u>said</u> a motion to vacate against Johnson was "absolutely [...] on the table."
- Rep. Patrick McHenry <u>said</u> "At this point, we're sucking wind because we can't get past the main object in the road. ... We need to get the hell out of the way. Cut the best deals we can get and then get on with the political year."
- Rep. Mike Garcia told supporters that he thought Johnson was "not the strong political campaigner and fundraiser that Kevin McCarthy was."

#### TL;DR

In his first 100 days as House Speaker, Mike Johnson has failed to deliver anything other than policies that will leave the American people and the American economy further behind.

What can we expect from his next 100 days? MAGA Republicans continuing to push their extreme agenda despite poll after poll showing the American people don't support devastating cuts to Social Security and Medicare, a national abortion ban, or attacks on our elections.



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