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Dear Speaker Pelosi and Leader Schumer and staff:

INTRO: Before I submit my brief press inquiry, I would like to acknowledge speaking to Isabella M. Ristuccia, press officer of Speaker Pelosi, last Friday the 23rd, and interns Zaire in Sen. Booker's office and Mitchell in Sen. Grassley's Waterloo, IA office this past Tuesday the 27th, Press Officer Audry Cook in Sen. Cornyn's office, and I want to especially thank Koh Chiba in Judiciary Co-Chair, Madeleine Dean's office, for his response, this past Monday, 19 December 2022, acknowledging receipt of my two legal memoranda. I've attached our reply (PDF format) to Koh, in which we document a frightening number of people, even many "conservatives," were calling in practically every day to C*SPAN, begging for their help in persuading lawmakers to pass these 3 student loan bankruptcy bills -- implying that these many callers apparently felt that Democrat lawmakers, who apparently needed only hours to given themselves a pay raise (direct funding issue) could at least keep their word and return bankruptcy to student loans (one later caller even said as much).

QUOTE: On page 71 of the 2020 Democratic Party Platform[14], we see they clearly say that: **“Democrats will also empower the CFPB to take action against exploitative lenders and will work with Congress to allow student debt to be discharged during bankruptcy.”** (p.72, par.1, sentence 2) [Editor's Note: This is page 72 of 92 of “PDF” page numbers, but the writer labels this as page “71,” since there's a title page that offsets numbering by one.] **Source: “2020 Democratic Party Platform,”** used under Fair Use for commentary, criticism, and research. Editor's Note: This author could not find a more current version, that this 2020 version:

LINK: <https://Democrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/2020-Democratic-Party-Platform.pdf>

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I VERIFY MY PRESS GRAVITAS: In any event, I know that the recipients of my press inquiry, this morning, are no doubt busy, so I'll cut right to the chase: We have been doing ongoing news coverage of the student loan bankruptcy legislation referenced in the header above, namely H.R.9110, H.R.4907, and S.2598. Referring to the attached C*SPAN screenshot and small audio clip from their website, C*SPAN's Closed Captioning voice-to-text did not render their C*SPAN commentator, correctly, but if you listen to the audio, she says that House will have *Pro Forma* meetings every 3 days until session ends, something I can not confirm independently, meaning you may meet Today (Fri 30 Dec 2022) AND Monday, 02 Jan 2023, but this much is certain: Only today is guaranteed, so here is the "gist" of my press inquiry; and, I remind you that since I'm the same Gordon Wayne Watts who nearly won the largest pro-life case since *Roe*, see e.g., <https://www.Google.com/search?&q=gordon+wayne+watts+terri+schiavo> , my blogs, occasional

columns, and press inquiries, are taken seriously:

<https://www.GwinnettForum.com/2022/12/another-view-america-faces-challenges-no-matter-who-is-in-control> See e.g., <https://ContractWithAmerica2.com/#staff> , my work page, where I am Nat'l Director:

In Re: GORDON WAYNE WATTS (as next friend of THERESA MARIE 'TERRI' SCHIAVO), No. SC03-2420 (Fla. Feb.23, 2005), denied 4-3 on rehearing. (Watts got 42.7% of his panel)

FloridaSupremeCourt.org/clerk/dispositions/2005/2/03-2420reh.pdf

** *In Re: JEB BUSH, GOVERNOR OF FLORIDA, ET AL. v. MICHAEL SCHIAVO, GUARDIAN: THERESA SCHIAVO*, No. SC04-925 (Fla. Oct.21, 2004), denied 7-0 on rehearing. (Bush got 0.0% of his panel before the same court) FloridaSupremeCourt.org/clerk/dispositions/2004/10/04-925reh.pdf

Schiavo ex rel. Schindler v. Schiavo ex rel. Schiavo, 403 F.3d 1223, 2005 WL 648897 (11th Cir. Mar.23, 2005), denied 2-1 on appeal. (Terri Schiavo's own blood family only got 33.3% of their panel on the Federal Appeals level) ** Media.CA11.UsCourts.gov/opinions/pub/files/200511556.pdf

"BREAKING- FLA GAY MARRIAGE: Novel legal argument brought to bear strongly defends Florida's definition of marriage; under review in the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals" – LAKELAND, FLORIDA (PRWEB) DECEMBER 01, 2014, LINK: via PRWeb.com * [Archive Today](#) * [Wayback Machine](#)

"A Polk Perspective: Fix our bankrupt policy on student debt," By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, August 04, 2016: [Link](#) * [Archive](#)

"Polk Perspective: Rescue taxpayers from mounting student debt," By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, November 16, 2018, [Link](#) * [Archive](#)

"Polk Perspective: Offer relief for taxes dressed up as 'loans'," By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, November 19, 2019, [Link](#) * [Archive](#)

OK, now that I've hopefully convinced you that I'm not just a small guy with a "big ego" and got a website with my name "dot com" (but can be like OPRAH, TRUMP, OBAMA, and BIDEN, and have a website with "my name dot com" and be "big name" enough that "it's ok"), here's where we're doing news coverage:

MIRROR 1: <https://GordonWatts.com/#NoRedWave>

MIRROR 2: <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/#NoRedWave>

RESEARCH PAGE: <https://ContractWithAmerica2.com/#bankruptcy> (this subject, student loan bk)

AND: <https://ContractWithAmerica2.com/#clear> ("Clear Understanding" addresses nuances)

Without further ado, here is our press inquiry:

QUESTION: Will the Democrat Party (who currently controls House, Senate, and Oval Office -- a rarity!) keep its long-standing word to pass collegiate debt bankruptcy legislation (namely, S.2598, a bipartisan bill by Durbin, Hawley, & Cornyn), H.R.4907 (private student loans), H.R.9110 (Nadler and many Democrats), and/or H.R.4563, <https://www.Congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house->

[bill/4563](#) , yet another bipartisan bill by Reps. Glenn Grothman, R-WI-06 and J. Luis Correa (D-CA-46). **ANSWER: YES // NO.**

Hopefully, the answer is yes. (The only other options are 1: to hope the GOP will cooperate with you next session, and honestly, I don't think that's likely; 2: admit utter and abysmal failure, even after repeated requests by constituents as documented in current polling data: <https://ContractWithAmerica2.com/#polls> 3: try to slip it into the OMNIBUS, but that ship's already sailed; or 4: try a "discharge petition": possible, but very unlikely, as it embarrasses the ruling party. Not. 5. Keep your word and simply ram through said legislation as you have done with other stuff; I may be a "Republican," and a "Conservative" writer, and WILL be impartial in my news-reporting, ok? But I'm a man of faith first, and will be pulling for you to NOT embarrass yourself further, and am timely notifying you: look at the time-stamp on this email, and notice that the day is young, and you have time--if you act now.

If - and may God forbid -- that the answer is "NO," above, I would like a detailed report... correction: my many readers, listeners, followers, viewers, editorial board, and community --we, plural, want a detailed accounting of why the Democrat Party -- even after much notification to all parties by ZACK NEFF'S "LOAN WOLVES" MSNBC documentary --and numerous emails, tweets, phone calls, press inquiries, and some by the undersigned writer, would oppose the DEM platform, quoted above. "Why?" Does the Democrat Party now disagree with its own platform? Inquiring minds want to know.

Our sources inform us that ((a)) you still have time, if you act now; ((b)) you do have the votes to pass all bills now (but not in the 118TH Congress, as GOP leadership will likely block collegiate debt bankruptcy discharge legislation period); ((c)) Jerry Nadler and Chuck Grassley are parliamentary geniuses who can verify or correct my assertions and help you get these bills passed before the clock runs out. (But my recommendation would be a "traditional" path of bringing bills out of committee, sending to floor vote, and letting chips fall where they may).

With kind regards, I am, Sincerely,

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