



## **'Angel Mothers', Whose Children Were Killed by Illegal Aliens, Protested Pelosi and Schumer, Who Refuse to Fund the Wall**

Angel Moms, whose children were killed by illegal aliens, visited the office of Nancy Pelosi, who has refused to fund the US-Mexico border wall, and her staff reported that she was not there and was unable to meet with the women. However, Pelosi was reported to be hiding behind the wall in her office as someone who had an appointment was escorted into her office. The Angel Moms then protested in Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer's office over his refusal to fund a US-Mexico border wall. The Angel Moms were joined by families who have lost loved ones to the opioid crisis from drugs brought in through the porous open border.

**A group of Angel Moms on Tuesday are protesting inside Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer's (D-NY) Capitol Hill office over the Democratic leader's refusal to support legislation to fund a U.S.-Mexico border wall as the partial government shutdown continues.**

Earlier Tuesday, the Angel Moms [protested](#) inside the office of

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA), who refused to meet with the group, and were reportedly lied to about the Democrat leader's whereabouts.

"It's a slap, it's a stab, it's a kick in the gut, in the groin," Sabine Durden, whose son Dominic was struck dead in 2012 by an illegal alien, [said](#) of Pelosi's and other Democrats' decision not to meet with Angel Mothers.

"It's not a matter of if you're going to be affected by illegal alien crime, it's when you are going to be affected," replied Mary Ann Mendoza, whose 32-year-old police officer Brandon Mendoza was [killed](#) by a drunk illegal alien driving on the wrong way down a Mesa, Arizona highway.

Radio host Rose Tennent, who was filming the protest using her cell phone, asked the women how it feels to tell their story, only then to be refused a meeting with the speaker. Some of Angel Moms said they felt angered and "insulted."

"If you can talk all that talk, why can you walk all that walk," Durden said of Democrats who have heavily criticized President Trump's wall proposal. "If you're that tough, come see me. Come see all of us in one room. No press, just us, just for two minutes."

"What's interesting is, literally, there's a wall between you and Nancy," Tennent then noted.

In a periscope video following the protest, Women for Trump organizer Amy Kremer said Pelosi not only refused to meet with the protesting Angel Moms, but were lied to about the speaker not being in her office. "Speaker Pelosi would not meet with the Angel Families," Kremer said. "As a matter of fact, they told us the speaker wasn't there at that office and while we were there, somebody came in that had a private meeting with her and they escorted her back behind the wall!"

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# Michigan Passes Law Against Cyberbullying

Michigan: Cyberbullying is now a misdemeanor punishable by 93 days in jail and a \$500 fine. A “pattern of repeated harassment” is a felony punishable by up to five years in prison and a \$5,000 fine. Cyberbullying that is found to cause a victim’s death is punishable by up to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. Cyberbullying is defined as posting a message that is intended to place a person in fear of bodily harm or death and expresses an intent to commit violence against the person. Some critics have argued that the definitions of cyberbullying are not as clear cut as they may sound and that clever attorneys could interpret them in such a way as to violate the First Amendment or to imprison someone for merely hurting others’ feelings. -GEG

We’ve got bad news for you, *Metro Times* trolls: Cyberbullying is now a crime in Michigan.

On Thursday, Gov. Rick Snyder signed into law a bill sponsored by Rep. Pete Lucido, R-Shelby Township that formally defines cyberbullying as a misdemeanor. Public Act 457 of 2018 will take effect in March.

The law states cyberbullying is a crime punishable by 93 days

in jail and a \$500 fine. A “pattern of repeated harassment” is a felony punishable by up to five years in prison and a \$5,000 fine. Meanwhile, cyberbullying that is found to cause a victim’s death is punishable by up to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

According to Lucido’s bill, “cyberbullying” is defined by “posting a message or statement in a public media forum about any other person” if both “the message or statement is intended to place a person in fear of bodily harm or death and expresses an intent to commit violence against the person” and “the message or statement is posted with the intent to communicate a threat or with knowledge that it will be viewed as a threat.”

A “pattern of harassing or intimidating behavior” means a series of two or more separate noncontinuous acts of harassing or intimidating behavior. And a “public media forum” refers to “the internet or any other medium designed or intended to be used to convey information to other individuals, regardless of whether a membership or password is required to view the information.”

In 2015, [a 13-year-old Michigan girl](#) committed suicide after being bullied and taunted by classmates on Facebook. At the time, police said the social media posts did not indicate criminal wrongdoing.

“Cyberbullying can cause just as much trauma as traditional bullying so it’s important that it be considered a crime,” Snyder said in a statement. “With this bill, we are sending a message that bullying of any kind is not tolerated in Michigan.”

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# At \$3.5-Trillion Per Year: America's Health-Care System Is One of the World's Largest Financial Enterprises

The US health-care system costs \$3.5-trillion annually. Of this, at least \$300-billion is spent on marketing its services and products. To influence doctors to prescribe more drugs, tests, and out-sourced procedures, drug companies shower them with fine food, drinks, speaking fees, and travel expenses to attend conferences. Ironically, prescription drugs are the fourth leading cause of death in America. Medical debt is the number one reason that Americans declare bankruptcy. The median charge for a visit to the emergency room nationally is over \$1,000 per visit, and a single aspirin tablet might be billed at \$30. [Does anyone else notice the smell of corruption in this? Isn't it obvious that the system must eventually self destruct and pull down the nation with it? Does anyone even care?] -GEG

If the U.S. health care system was a country, it would have the fifth largest GDP on the entire planet. At this point, only the United States, China, Japan and Germany have a GDP that is larger than the 3.5 trillion dollar U.S. health care market. If that sounds obscene to you, that is because it is obscene. We should want people to be attracted to the health care industry because they truly want to help people that are

suffering, but instead, the primary reason why people are drawn to the health care industry these days is because of the giant mountains of money that are being made. Like so many other things in our society, the health care industry is all about the pursuit of the almighty dollar, and that is just wrong.

In order to keep this giant money machine rolling, the health care industry has to do an enormous amount of marketing. If you can believe it, a study that was just published found that [at least 30 billion dollars a year](#) is spent on such marketing.

*Hoping to earn its share of the [\\$3.5 trillion](#) health care market, the medical industry is pouring more money than ever into advertising its products – from high-priced prescriptions to do-it-yourself genetic tests and unapproved stem cell treatments.*

*Spending on health care marketing nearly doubled from 1997 to 2016, soaring to at least \$30 billion a year, according to a study published Tuesday in JAMA.*

This marketing takes many different forms, but perhaps the most obnoxious are the television ads that are endlessly hawking various pharmaceutical drugs. If you watch much television, you certainly can't miss them. They always show vibrant, smiling, healthy people participating in various outdoor activities on bright, sunny days, and the inference is that if you want to be like those people you should take their drugs. And the phrase [“ask your doctor”](#) is usually near the end of every ad...

*The biggest increase in medical marketing over the past 20 years was in “direct-to-consumer” advertising, including the TV commercials that exhort viewers to “ask your doctor” about a particular drug. Spending on such ads jumped from \$2.1 billion in 1997 to nearly \$10 billion in 2016, according to*

*the study.*

As a result of all those ads, millions of Americans rush out to their doctors to ask about drugs that they do not need for diseases that they do not have.

And on January 1st, [dozens of pharmaceutical manufacturers](#) hit Americans with another annual round of massive price increases.

But everyone will just keep taking those drugs because that is what the doctors are telling them to do. But what most people never find out is that the pharmaceutical industry goes to great lengths to get those doctors to do what they want. According [to NBC News](#), the big drug companies are constantly “showering them with free food, drinks and speaking fees, as well as paying for them to travel to conferences”.

It is a legal form of bribery, and it works.

When you go to most doctors, they will only have two solutions to whatever problem you have – drugs or surgery.

And since nobody really likes to get cut open, and since drugs are usually the far less expensive choice, they are usually the preferred option.

Of course, if doctors get off the path and start trying to get cute by proposing alternative solutions, they can get in big trouble [really fast](#)...

*Today's medical doctors are not allowed to give nutritional advice, or the [American Medical Association](#) will come shut them down, and even if they were, they don't know the right things to say, because they weren't educated that way in medical college. So instead, M.D.s just sling experimental, addictive drugs at symptoms of deeper rooted sicknesses, along with immune-system-destroying antibiotics and carcinogenic vaccines.*

*That's why any medicine that wrecks your health is easy to come by, just like junk food in vending machines. The money isn't made off the "vending" products, the money is made off the sick fools who are repeat offenders and keep going back to the well for more poison – it's called chronic sick care or symptom management. Fact: Prescription drugs are the fourth leading cause of death in America, even when "taken as directed."*

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## **National Security Advisor John Bolton Could Be Steering Trump into War with Iran**

Last September, when Shiite militants launched three mortar shells into the Green Zone in Baghdad, all of which which exploded in a vacant lot, Bolton directed the Pentagon to prepare a menu of targets inside Iran for US air and missile strikes in retaliation. Bolton has an ally in Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, who wants "to expel every last Iranian boot" from Syria. The US intelligence community has repeatedly rejected claims by US neocons and Israel that Iran has nuclear



weapons. It is clear that the Deep State is working to bring the US into military confrontation with Iran. Never mind the people who voted for Trump because he said he would “stop the endless wars.” -GEG

“Stop the ENDLESS WARS!” implored President Donald Trump in a Sunday night tweet.

Well, if he is serious, Trump had best keep an eye on his national security adviser, for a U.S. war on Iran would be a dream come true for John Bolton.

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The Wall Street Journal quoted one U.S. official as saying Bolton’s behavior “rattled people. ... People were shocked. It was mind-boggling how cavalier they were about hitting Iran.”

Bolton’s former deputy, Mira Ricardel, reportedly told a gathering the shelling into the Green Zone was “an act of war” to which the U.S. must respond decisively.

Bolton has long believed a U.S. confrontation with Iran is both inevitable and desirable. In 2015, he authored a New York Times op-ed whose title, “To Stop Iran’s Bomb, Bomb Iran,” said it all. He has urged that “regime change” in Iran be made a declared goal of U.S. foreign policy.

When Trump announced his decision to withdraw the 2,000 U.S. troops now in Syria, Bolton swiftly imposed conditions: ISIS must first be eliminated, Iranian forces and allied militias must leave, and the Kurds must be protected.

Yet enforcing such red lines would require a permanent presence of American troops. For how, without war, would we

effect the removal of Bashar Assad's Iranian allies, if he declines to expel them and the Iranians refuse to go?

Bolton has an ally in Secretary of State Mike Pompeo. In Cairo last week, Pompeo declared it U.S. policy "to expel every last Iranian boot" from Syria.

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## **Former Gubernatorial Candidate, Stacey Abrams, Says that Demographics Is a "Pathway" to Power**

Stacey Abrams, a former Georgia candidate for Governor, says that demographics is dramatically changing politics in her state. She expects Democrats to "surge" and "reclaim power". A demographic shift is happening all over Georgia and, in most counties, white populations soon will become the minority. Abrams also says she would not oppose allowing illegal aliens to vote in local elections. -GEG