



Problem Solvers Sign Open Letter Condemning Political Violence

October 5, 2025



Problem Solvers Caucus Co-Chairs Reps. Brian Fitzpatrick (PA-01) and Tom Suozzi (NY-03) led 36 Members of the bipartisan Problem Solvers Caucus in releasing an open letter calling for an end to political violence and the reckless rhetoric that fuels it. The letter stresses that Americans must be able to express their beliefs without fear and urges leaders and citizens alike to set a higher standard for political discourse.

“Democrats and Republicans from the Problem Solvers Caucus have come together united in our opposition to political violence,” said Problem Solvers Caucus Co-Chair Congressman Tom Suozzi (NY-03). “We must all learn to disagree better.”

“In our country, we don’t have to think the same to stand on the same side. From our founding, America has been held together not by agreement, but by the belief that every voice matters, and that our differences, when debated with respect, make us stronger,” said Problem Solvers Caucus Co-Chair Brian Fitzpatrick (PA-01). “Violence and intimidation have no place in our country. Not now. Not ever. What this moment demands from us all is that we speak with respect, listen with compassion, and remember that unity doesn’t require uniformity —only a shared commitment to the ideals that make us Americans.”

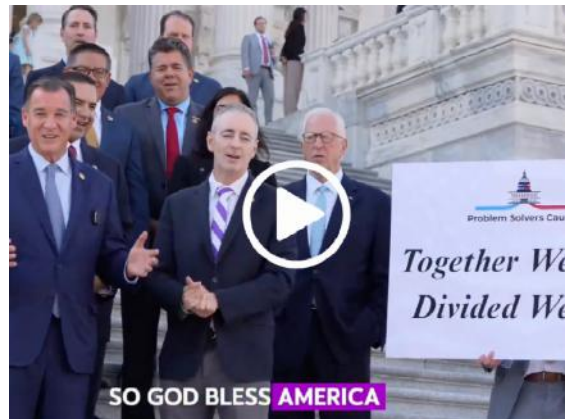
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Read the Letter

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Co-Chairs Brian Fitzpatrick and Tom Suozzi condemn political violence following Charlie Kirk's assassination.



A bipartisan group of Members of Congress assembled on the the Capitol steps to condemn political violence.

In the News:



Problem Solvers Caucus Endorses Permitting Reform Framework

September 17, 2025



The Problem Solvers Caucus announced its endorsement of a bipartisan permitting reform framework. As momentum builds for Congress to act on permitting reform, the recommendations in this framework offer a commonsense, two-party roadmap to streamline the permitting process, boost energy production of all kinds, and give investors the clarity and confidence they need to invest in America.

This framework was developed by the Problem Solvers Caucus Permitting, Energy & Environment Working Group, led by Reps. Scott Peters (CA-50) and Gabe Evans (CO-08), along with Co-Chairs Reps. Brian Fitzpatrick (PA-01) and Tom Suozzi (NY-03).

With the country poised to see one of the largest increases in energy demand in decades, Congress needs to act now. Communities and businesses across the country are facing rising costs and growing demand for affordable, reliable energy. Yet, too many projects remain stalled for years — some more than a

decade — due to outdated regulations, duplicative reviews, and endless litigation, stifling innovation and driving up costs for families.

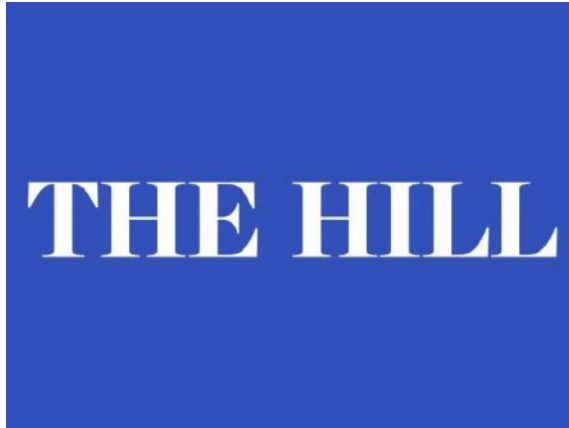
Key elements of the framework include:

- Cutting red tape for linear infrastructure projects
- Meeting growing energy demand across sectors
- Reforming outdated and duplicative NEPA requirements
- Establishing clear, enforceable permitting deadlines
- Strengthening domestic supply chains

[Read the Framework](#)

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In the News:



[Problem Solvers Caucus proposes bipartisan energy deal](#)



[Bipartisan caucus unveils big permitting framework](#)



[House Problem Solvers Caucus pushes permitting plan to boost renewables and fossil fuels](#)



[Energy Permit Overhaul Draws Bipartisan Support as Demand Grows](#)

Problem Solvers Delegation Visits US-Mexico Border

September 17, 2025



In early September, a bipartisan delegation of Problem Solvers Caucus Members visited the southern border. The group included Problem Solvers Caucus Co-Chairs Reps. Brian Fitzpatrick (PA-01) and Tom Suozzi (NY-03), Juan Ciscomani (AZ-06), Jimmy Panetta (CA-19), Chuck Edwards (NC-11), and Jim Costa (CA-21).

During their visit, the delegation toured CBP Tucson Sector HQ, the Mariposa Port of Entry in Nogales, sections of the border wall, and a local produce warehouse. They also received briefings from CBP agents and officials at the Southwest Border Intelligence Center and held meetings with a diverse group of stakeholders, including representatives from the National Border Patrol Council and National Immigration Forum, trade officials, importers, local business owners, and ranchers.

Led by Immigration & Border Security Working Group Co-Chairs Juan Ciscomani (R-AZ) and Jimmy Panetta (D-CA), the Problem Solvers Caucus remains committed to developing a bipartisan framework to reform the immigration system and permanently secure the border.

Following their trip, Members of the delegation held a press conference in the Capitol.

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Problem Solvers Co-Chairs Join CNN's Kaitlan Collins Following Visit To The U.S.-Mexico Border



Problem Solvers Caucus Co-Chairs Talk Immigration With FOX News' Bret Baier

Caucus Updates

Problem Solvers Caucus Endorses Bill to Expand Women's Health Care Access for Military Families

July 14 – The Problem Solvers Caucus announced its endorsement of the *TRICARE OB-GYN Treatment and Access without Lags in Care (TOTAL Care) Act*, bipartisan legislation to make it easier for women enrolled in TRICARE Prime to access OB-GYN services.

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Problem Solvers Caucus Co-Chairs Request Meeting with President Trump on Key Bipartisan Priorities

July 28 – In their letter, the Co-Chairs credit President Trump for restoring order to the border, while emphasizing that bipartisan legislation to create a well rounded immigration system. They also advocate for permitting reform to cut red tape and speed up construction. Finally, they call for the creation of a bipartisan fiscal commission to address the growing national debt.

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Problem Solvers Caucus Endorses Bill to Make Child Care More Affordable

July 31 – Child care costs have exploded in recent years, reaching a staggering \$13,128 average per child in 2024. By modernizing three existing tax credits — CDCTC, DCAP, and 45F — the *Child Care Availability and Affordability Act* will ensure all Americans can access affordable child care.
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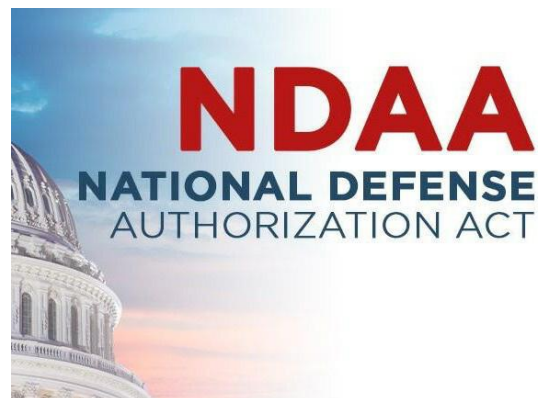
Problem Solvers Caucus Endorses Bill to Strengthen Civilian Defense Workforce

August 6 – The *Defense Workforce Integration Act* creates new civilian service pathways for individuals who are unable to serve in the military due to medical disqualifications, directing the Department of Defense to establish a program connecting medically disqualified individuals with civilian employment, training, and apprenticeship opportunities.
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PSC National Security Working Group Endorses 10 Bipartisan NDAA Amendments

September 4 – Led by Reps. Don Bacon (NE-02) and Donald Norcross (NJ-01), our National Security Working Group endorsed 10 amendments to the 2026 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). These endorsed amendments, led by working group members, will strengthen our national defense, enhance support for military personnel and veterans, and address emerging security threats.
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PSC Mental Health & Substance Abuse Working Group Holds Recovery Month Roundtable With Experts

September 17 – Reps. Jen Kiggans (VA-02) and Brittany Pettersen (CO-07) led a roundtable discussion with experts from SAMHSA, NIMH, and NIDA on the rising mental health crisis and substance abuse epidemic.
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Meet Our Members



PSC Vice Chairs: Reps Nicole Malliotakis (NY-11) and Josh Gottheimer (NJ-05)



PSC Whips: Reps. Don Bacon (NE-02) and Greg Landman (OH-01)



Congressman Blake Moore (UT-01)



Congressman Mike Lawler (NY-17)



Congresswoman Jen Kiggans (VA-02)



Congressman Steven Horsford (NV-04)

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common ground.

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