

Nelson campaign: Brings back the U.S. Sen. Johnson “Treason” billboard for Jan. 6 reminder

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APPLETON — The [billboard](#) is back.

On the eve of the anniversary of the Capitol insurrection, U.S. Senate candidate Tom Nelson today has brought back the billboard reminding Wisconsinites of Ron Johnson’s role in spreading misinformation about the deadly attack on Jan. 6, 2021 at the U.S. Capitol.

The billboard that originally went up in February called out “Senator Treason Johnson,” and gained national attention.

Nelson is now asking for donations to keep the billboard up in Oshkosh in Johnson’s backyard.

Johnson has continued to spread misinformation about the attack on the Capitol aimed at preventing Joe Biden from being certified as president.

“He’s someone who is consumed by these bizarre conspiracies,” Nelson said on the eve of the one-year anniversary of the insurrection.

“He makes excuses for some bad—pretty bad folks. What happened with the insurrection,” Nelson said.

Despite mountains of video evidence and an ongoing Congressional investigation, Johnson has falsely claimed there was no violence during the attack on the Capitol.

“We’ve seen plenty of video of people in the Capitol, and they weren’t rioting,”

Johnson told Fox News, which regularly spreads disinformation about the Jan. 6 attack. “It doesn’t look like an armed insurrection when you have people that breach the Capitol – and I don’t condone it – but they’re staying within the rope lines in the Rotunda. That’s not what armed insurrection would look like.”

In December 2020, Johnson used his position as chairman of the Senate Homeland Security Committee to [call a hearing](#) on election irregularities, boosting false claims of widespread fraud.

Leading up to January 6th, 2021, Johnson asserted his intention of voting against certifying Joe Biden’s electoral college victory. He even [signed an official statement](#) pledging just that. He only [reversed himself](#) following the assault on the Capitol, finally coming to his senses.