

U.S. Sen. Johnson: Releases statement on State of the Union address

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WASHINGTON – On Tuesday, U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.) released the following statement on President Biden’s first State of the Union address.

“In spite of President Biden’s inaugural speech promise that his number one goal was to unify and heal our nation, today, America is even further divided due to his mismanagement of the economy, our southern border, foreign policy, and COVID-19.

“His failure to direct federal health agencies to research and recommend early treatment has cost hundreds of thousands of lives. His coercive mandates and other actions failed to end the pandemic – more people have died of COVID-19 under his watch than under the previous administration – but they have exacerbated our societal divide, keeping schools closed, firing front-line workers for making their own health care decisions, and shuttering businesses.

“The massive deficit spending he promoted and signed into law sparked 7.5% inflation, a level we haven’t experienced in forty years. In spite of his promise not to raise taxes on anyone making under \$400,000, everyone should realize that inflation IS the Democrat’s tax on the middle class. It hurts the very people Democrats purport to represent – seniors on a fixed income and individuals at the lower end of the income spectrum. President Biden’s solution? Even more deficit spending on a laundry list of liberal programs.

“In addition, President Biden dismantled all of the previous administration’s programs and agreements that had stopped the flow of Unaccompanied Children

and Families exploiting our asylum laws. He stopped building the wall, costing Americans more to NOT build the wall that it would have cost to simply complete it. The result is over 1.2 million immigrants who entered illegally in 2021 and have been dispersed throughout America. And now he claims he wants to secure the border? Does he think the American people aren't paying attention?

"All of these policy failures have weakened America and, combined with the embarrassing and dangerous surrender in Afghanistan, have emboldened our enemies by tempting them to take advantage of the current situation. It's heartbreaking to watch what is happening in Ukraine. America should pray for President Zelensky and for the Ukrainian people who just want to live in peace and freedom.

"The fact that President Biden seems oblivious to the harm his administration and policies have caused to Americans ensures that he will not change course and his failures will continue. Unfortunately, the State of the Union is not good, and it will not improve with President Biden and Democrats in total control of the federal government."