

# Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee: Statement on JD Vance visit to WI-03

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*Following [Trump's snub of Derrick Van Orden](#) at the State of the Union – and ahead of JD Vance's visit to WI-03 – DCCC spokesperson Katie Smith released the following statement:*

“No amount of spin can save Derrick Van Orden from his awful record of gutting rural health care, backing price-spiking tariffs, and devastating farmers’ livelihoods. Van Orden crusades for his party bosses, who won’t even shake his hand, while leaving regular families behind. Western Wisconsin deserves better than Van Orden’s failed leadership and will fire him this November.”

## **Reminder of Derrick Van Orden’s record failing Western Wisconsin:**

- Milwaukee Journal Sentinel: [Derrick Van Orden claims credit for Wisconsin’s extra Medicaid dollars after voting to cut the program](#)
- HuffPost: [GOP Rep. Weirdly Lies About Helping His State Survive The Medicaid Cuts He Voted For](#)
- News8Now: [Van Orden doubles down on threat to cut Mayo Clinic’s federal funding](#)
- Heartland Signal: [Derrick Van Orden decries closing of a veteran shelter he did nothing to preserve](#)
- Channel 3000: [Wisconsin farmers struggle to sell soybean crops under Trump](#)

## tariffs

- [WXOW](#): “[Van Orden] admitted that trade tensions due to President Donald Trump’s tariffs are hitting farmers hard”
- [WKOW](#): “[Van Orden’s website] says one of his campaign priorities is to fully repeal Obamacare, a common term used for the Affordable Care Act.”
- WXOW: [Rep. Van Orden appears to celebrate millions losing healthcare in since-deleted X post](#)
- Wisconsin Independent: [Democrats push back on Van Orden’s calls for cuts to the VA](#)