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ICYMI: Donalds Joins Varney & Co.

WASHINGTON – This morning, Congressman Byron Donalds (R-FL) joined *Varney & Co.* on Fox Business Network to discuss the DOJ's investigation of violent riots at U.C. Berkeley, affordability, and the cost of healthcare in the United States.

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"If you're going to believe in free speech, believe it across the board. Let's not have people throwing rocks and bottles at other Americans who just want to sit down and hear a conversation. It's destructive of the country":

"I find it to be disgusting. UC Berkeley has had these issues for a long time, and I think your previous commenter said it best. When you have other speakers, it seems like it's Shangri-La. When you have conservatives, it turns into lawlessness, and that is because UC Berkeley, in my opinion, they could put whatever they want in their statement, but they allowed for this to be fomenting. The second thing I do agree with is that you have agitators who are paid to do this because it just takes for a Ben Shapiro or for Ann Coulter to show up, and then you have all these rioting protests. No, I disagree. I think it's astroturf, I think it's bought and paid for. And this is why there are people who want to investigate this on Capitol Hill to get to the bottom of this, because it's very destructive of our Constitutional Republic. If you're going to believe in free speech, believe it across the board. Let's not have people throwing rocks and bottles at other Americans who just want to sit down and hear a conversation. It's destructive of the country."

"The affordability issues in healthcare are their fault, and they don't want to fix it; they want to cover it up with subsidies":

"Look, I've always had my issues with Republicans on Capitol Hill who never get to the issue. But yeah, affordability is a real problem, especially amongst young people; they're very concerned about it. Look, are we dealing with inflation that was created under Joe Biden still? No, we're not, but we still have to work on getting our country affordable for everybody. It's about taxes, it's about, obviously, insurance in the state of Florida, we're working on that one. But let's talk about what it costs to build houses in America. We have a regulatory framework in Washington, D.C., created by Democrats, which makes it more expensive to build housing. It makes it more expensive to source raw materials. It makes it more expensive to have commonsense energy like nuclear power. Go try to permit a nuclear reactor; it takes fifteen years. The Chinese are building them every other day. This is the insanity in Washington, D.C., and so the president is right on this. Republicans got to get in the game; we got to talk affordability. Another one, healthcare. The health insurance policies, Affordable Care Act, Obamacare, whatever you want to talk about, the Democrats passed that into law. The affordability issues in healthcare are their fault, and they don't want to fix it; they want to cover it up with subsidies. I think Republicans have to get in the game when it comes to healthcare. We can't dance around it anymore. We got to have solutions, and we have them, but we got to have one solution we take to the American people so we can make America affordable again."

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