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ICYMI: Donalds Joins The Charlie Kirk Show

WASHINGTON – Yesterday, Congressman Byron Donalds (R-FL) joined *The Charlie Kirk Show* on Real America's Voice to discuss opposition to yesterday's Continuing Resolution, the ongoing crisis at the Southern border, and the battle over FISA reauthorization.

Watch the full interview [here](#).



I'm voting "No" and I would encourage all of our members to vote "No":

"I'm voting 'No' on this package. I think that at this point, this government should not be funded until the border is secured. That's my position. I told that to the leadership, and told that to our members, and your viewers, and everybody else. The issue at hand is, if you're going to fund government, what you're really telling Chuck Schumer, and Joe Biden, and Mitch McConnell for that matter is that you're not willing to use every lever that you have in order to secure the nation's border. It is the number one thing causing serious security concerns in our country. It makes no sense that there have been now seven million to nine million encounters at the Southern border in just three years during Joe Biden's presidency and House Republicans have an opportunity to actually do something about it right now, and I believe that if you just continue to fund the government for another month or so, while the appropriators figure out how to fund the government, you're not going to have any leverage in order to get border security done, and I think that is a dereliction of our duty as members, so I'm voting 'No,' and I would encourage all of our members to vote 'No.'"

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"The point that I've been trying to make to the leadership team is that you have a golden opportunity to actually win the political argument of the day, and that question is: Should our government remain open, should we be sending money to Ukraine, etc. while our border is porously open? And I believe that the American people want our border secured even if it means that tough choices have to be made up here on Capitol Hill. I mean look at Joe Biden's polling. It's a mess. When it comes to immigration and border security, he has lost all credibility with the American people. So you can win that political argument. I think if you're winning the politics of this, those moderate members, those swing-district Republicans will actually stand with us to hold the Biden administration accountable to get this border secured. But if you don't take that leverage point. If you don't have that fight, you're not going to get this administration to change any policy...Everything happening at the Southern border is by design. This is what they have wanted and they're doing it on purpose. The only way you change behavior in most people's lives is you change it with money and you change it with funding. You don't change it with letters. You don't change it with talking points."

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