Friends,

Earlier this week, the Lumbee Recognition Act, a bill I've championed here in Congress, overwhelmingly passed the House of Representatives. This legislation that is critically important to the Ninth District is now headed to the Senate in the hopes that it will soon be sent to the President’s desk.

**WATCH:** [This is the year we get Lumbee recognition done!](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dQw4w9WgXcQ)

This effort is the culmination of a years-long process to finally grant the Lumbee Tribe the full federal recognition that they so deserve. I fought for full Lumbee recognition while I was in the North Carolina state legislature, and again when I first arrived at Congress. I am proud to help champion its passage in the House again this week.

As I'm sure you are aware, in 1956, Congress originally recognized the Lumbee but denied the Tribe the full benefits that come with being federally recognized. This was a historic injustice that has taken decades to correct.

I know the Lumbee well, and I couldn’t be prouder to cosponsor this legislation. The fight to right this wrong isn’t over, I will continue to advocate for the bill with all I have and remain confident that my colleagues in the Senate will pass it as soon as possible.

The Lumbee have been an exemplary community, and the model of patriotism, in Robeson County for roughly three centuries. Now, Congress has a moral responsibility to grant them total and complete recognition.

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**Every human life matters**

Yesterday, the House Judiciary Committee held a hearing to discuss the most recent Texas abortion law. Shockingly, my Democrat colleagues on the Committee made clear that they believe abortion is actually a life saving tool. That is the polar opposite of reality. And I made a point of delivering that message to them.
TWEET: One look at a sonogram tells the whole story.

Holding up an image of a sonogram of a little girl still in her mother’s womb, I pointed out that this is not some anonymous entity, or a blob of cells, this is a human being.

“She is a human. She cannot be disregarded. It is not possible for us to pretend that she does not exist. She exists,” I said.

The fight for life is one that I will never back down from. I promise to continue to talk about this issue and pray this country reverses course to protect all innocent lives.

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Build Back Broke

I also wanted to provide you with a quick update on the Democrats recent push to pass President Biden’s disastrous “Build Back Better” spending plan.

TWEET: Democrats are doubling down on a radical agenda, they shouldn’t.

Even today, Democrats are trying to rush through a monstrosity of a bill that no one in Congress has fully read. Many of you have reached out to voice your concerns about this socialist spending bill and I can assure you I am adamantly opposed to this entire effort.

Right now, Speaker Pelosi wants the House of Representatives to pass massive legislation before finding out what’s in it. Sound familiar?
The newly released reconciliation bill contains well over 2,000 pages. There’s no CBO score. No time to carefully examine the text. Just a Democrat party desperately pushing through a $1.75 Trillion tax and spend bill, hoping no one notices all its contents.

What we do know is that America cannot afford another massive, trillion-dollar package from Joe Biden, as his “Build Back Better” agenda will leave this country broke. Thanks to this president, inflation is through the roof, as is our national debt, and it’s hurting working families in North Carolina and across the country. Democrats have also inserted some horrific agenda items in here such as amnesty for illegal immigrants.

If there was ever a week for Democrats to change course, this was it. American voters overwhelmingly rejected their radical agenda on Tuesday’s election. That message should’ve been received loud and clear, however, Democrats doubled down. Not only are they pushing this socialist package now, but yesterday the Biden Administration is moving forward with a national vaccine mandate on small businesses. Fining small businesses thousands of dollars for not complying with authoritarian mandates is simply un-American.

No Republican should be supporting these efforts in anyway. I promise you that I won’t be. In fact, I will be fighting all of this to the end, because our country’s future is at stake.

Facing Vaccination Mandates? My office is here to help!

Submit survey to sign up for updates on my work in Congress.*

Sincerely,

Dan Bishop
Member of Congress