Friends,

Today, a new Bureau of Labor Statistics report stated that prices for goods and services have increased at a rate of 11.2% – the highest increase ever recorded.

This report on wholesale price increases came just one day after it was announced that U.S. inflation skyrocketed 8.5% over a year – the biggest inflation spike in over 40 years.

**TWEET:** Bidenflation strikes again.

How did this happen?

It starts with a president who failed to grasp the impending crisis. President Biden surrounded himself with yes men and showed no concern about his radical spending agenda when it mattered. Here’s what he had to say when asked about impending inflation just last summer:

“There’s nobody suggesting there’s unchecked inflation on the way — no serious economist.”

**TWEET:** Worst inflation in 40 years = pay cut for Americans

Meanwhile, Biden and Congressional Democrats spent trillions on his unnecessary so-called American Recovery Act covid relief package, pork projects, and an absurd
“infrastructure” plan full of Green New Deal subsidies. They were warned how disastrous this spending spree would turn out but proceeded anyway. The President is still taking rising inflation about as seriously now as he did one year ago.

Rather than come up with solutions, the Biden White House is fecklessly trying to shift the blame to Vladimir Putin’s invasion of Ukraine. So according to the Biden Administration, America’s long-simmering inflation crisis is caused by a war in Eastern Europe that just started a couple months ago.

Americans aren’t buying it.

Inflation under Biden didn’t just suddenly appear, it’s been burdening Americans for a year. What Americans want to hear is Biden’s plan to address soaring gas prices, instead, they get lectured by this White House to just buy expensive “electric vehicles.” Americans want to know how Biden plans to make grocery trips affordable again, instead, the White House merely passes more blame, this time to the food industry.

The disconnect between President Biden and Americans has never been clearer than it is now. Bidenflation is costing people their hard-earned money and damaging the fabric of our economy.

What Americans deserve is the roaring economy we had under President Trump. But rather than look to the example that was set, President Biden is more likely to continue blame shifting. Which is a shame because every American is now paying the price for his failures.

**The 2022 Congressional Art Competition**

NC-09 students, the 2022 Congressional Art competition is here! This year’s theme is: “An Artistic Discovery”. Tell us through your art!

The Artistic Discovery Contest is open to all high school students in the District. The over-all winner of our District’s competition will be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol. The exhibit in Washington will also include artwork from other contest winners nation-wide.
If anyone has a student who is interested, the deadline to submit your art is May 16th. To learn more and apply, please visit my website here.

FACEBOOK: Lumberton ranks in top 10 Micropolitans

Wishing You a Happy Easter Weekend

On behalf of myself, my family, and my office, I would like to wish you in advance, a happy Good Friday and Easter weekend. May your holiday be filled with the joy, happiness, and peace.

“He is not here; he has risen!” – Luke 24:6