



San Andreas Legislature
12th Congress
From the Office of State Representative John Corranado

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To the Citizens of San Andreas,

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the Spring Election Debates. However, I enjoyed watching them from Liberty City when time permitted.

Regrettably, my fellow candidates in attendance, except for Miss Exeter-Blue, spent much of their time at the debates disparaging my character and my term, rather than outlining a plan for their own time in office. I will not use my time to attack the character of Mr. Locke or Mr. Baker, as I believe them to be good men and would happily work alongside them in the House of Representatives; instead, I will highlight factual inaccuracies in their debate statements.

Mr. Locke's comment about "trespassing on government airfields, especially LSIA," being "borderline terrorism" is simply inaccurate in multiple ways. It reflects a distinct lack of understanding of the very core of a legislator's duty in government: the law. Except for Fort Zancudo, our airports and airfields are not government property. They contain government structures controlled by SAFA, but they are not entirely government property. They are public, where one can rent aircraft and store privately owned planes, and any licensed aviator in the state can take off and land at them.

Terrorism requires multiple elements, none of which are met by trespassing on government property. Suggesting that trespassing on government property is borderline terrorism further calls Mr. Locke's understanding of the law into question.

Regarding his concern that I became frustrated several times and pushed through bills, I would question his sources. Yes, the traffic reform was partly influenced by my experiences, but it was intended for anyone who has nearly lost a career due to a single felony reckless driving charge. It also underwent multiple revisions with input from all law enforcement leadership and several members of all three branches of government. I would hardly consider that pushing a bill through out of frustration. I can't think of another bill that would support his comment.

I will allow Mr. Baker's plan to dismantle a bill he admitted on live television that he did not understand to speak for itself. He stated it combined two bills: what bills? Wanting to dismantle a bill that was written and approved by the two government departments it directly affects, and not understanding the premise of the bill, shows an interest in moving backwards, not forwards.

As for both of them disparaging my character and bringing up my "questionable past," they are referring to my charge of felony reckless driving almost two years ago, which led to other charges that were all removed as a result of a mistrial. Actions, conversations, and a lot of controversy led to me being charged with abuse of office, attempted abuse of office, and obstruction of justice. The charges were expunged due to a mistrial that resulted in the impeachment of a Circuit Judge and reforms within the Department of Justice. The Department of Justice's leadership at the time chose not to refile the charges. This matter was resolved, and the felony reckless driving was expunged over a year ago. I do not hide it; I will tell anyone who asks the entire story, with copies of the public record. I do not hide the past, but I'm not proud of it; I've learned from it.

Regarding Mr. Hill's unprofessional outburst video on Yeeter, I regret that he feels this way. He agreed with and supported the majority of my bills with affirmative votes. While I may have emailed and texted him often to discuss matters related to the Legislature, it was always to fulfill my public service for the people of San Andreas. If that makes me bothersome, then I accept the label. I appreciated working with him and learning from his experience in the Legislature, and I wish him nothing but the best.

I have always done this job for the people, and I will continue to do so. I will let the people guide me through their votes. If they want me as their voice, they will vote that way. If they did not like my work over the last four months, I will happily concede and step aside. Regardless, I will take pride in my service to our great state. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Corranado". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

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