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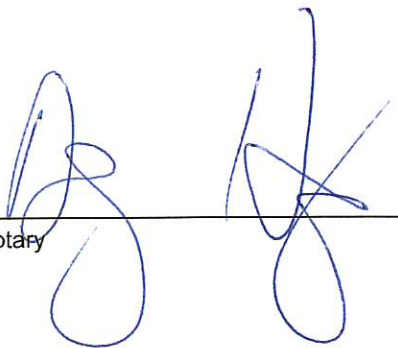
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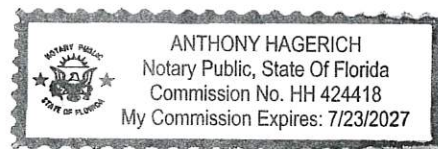
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GOP-led effort succeeds in censuring Rep. Schiff

Lawmaker says its aim is to distract from Trump

Sarah Elbeshbishi
USA TODAY

The Republican-led effort to censure Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., over his claims about former President Donald Trump’s connections to Russia have succeeded.

House lawmakers voted 213-209 along party lines late Wednesday to censure Schiff, with six lawmakers voting present. Immediately after the vote, Democrats in the lower chamber began chanting “shame.”

Rep. Anna Paulina Luna, R-Fla., renewed her effort to censure Schiff for alleging collusion between Trump and Russia during the former president’s 2016 campaign after her initial attempt was blocked last week when House Democrats – along with 20 Republicans

– moved to table the resolution, effectively killing it. The House voted 225-196 to table the legislation at the time.

But the House cleared the procedural hurdle on Wednesday before voting to censure Schiff.

After the failed effort, Luna tweeted that she would remove the portion of her resolution that suggested fining Schiff \$16 million if a House Ethics Committee investigation determined he “lied, made misrepresentations, and abused sensitive information,” a provision that prompted some House Republicans to join Democrats in killing the measure.

“The Constitution says the House may make its own rules but we can’t violate other (later) provisions of the Constitution,” Rep. Thomas Massie, R-Ky, tweeted before the first vote. “A \$16 million fine is a violation of the 27th and 8th



Schiff

amendments.”

Luna suggested she had the votes to censure Schiff in a tweet Tuesday, sharing that a majority of the 20 Republican lawmakers who voted against the measure last week would support the updated resolution, along with members who were out of town during last week’s vote.

Schiff said last week that he was “flattered” by the effort to censure him and suggested the resolution was introduced as a distraction from Trump’s legal problems. The former president was arraigned in Miami this month in connection with a federal investigation into whether he mishandled classified documents – the same day Luna brought the measure to the floor.

“This is really an effort, at the end of the day, to distract from Donald Trump’s legal problems, to gratify Donald Trump by going after someone they feel was his most effective adversary,” Schiff said on “CNN This Morning.”

He also called the resolution a “terrible abuse of House resources.” The California Democrat had chaired the House Intelligence Committee and led the first impeachment inquiry into Trump, which resulted in the House voting to impeach the former president on charges of abuse of power and obstruction of Congress. He was acquitted by the Senate.

Other House lawmakers have been censured in recent years. Former Reps. Liz Cheney and Adam Kinzinger, the only Republicans who sat on the House committee that investigated the Jan. 6 Capitol attack, were censured by the Republican National Committee in February 2022 for opposing Trump and investigating the riot. In November 2021, the House voted 223-207 to censure Rep. Paul Gosar, R-Ariz., for posting an anime video that was edited to show him killing Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., and attacking President Joe Biden.

Contributing: Ella Lee

Modi

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ner is seen as backsliding,” said Irfan Nooruddin, a professor of Indian politics at Georgetown University’s School of Foreign Service.

Modi pressed on human rights

Progressive Rep. Rashida Tlaib said she would boycott Modi’s address to Congress during the visit over his “long history of human rights abuses, anti-democratic actions, targeting Muslims & religious minorities, and censoring journalists.” She described the conduct in a tweet as “unacceptable.”

“It’s shameful that Modi has been given a platform at our nation’s capital,” said Tlaib, D-Mich.

Democratic Reps. Cori Bush, of Missouri, and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, of New York, also are protesting the event.

The White House said Biden would raise human rights questions with Modi when they speak privately. A spokesman stressed it is a topic Biden routinely addresses.

“Certainly human rights is of concern to the United States, and it’s a foundational element to President Biden’s foreign policy,” White House national security strategic communications coordinator John Kirby said.

A group of more than 70 lawmakers asked Biden in a letter Tuesday to “discuss the full range of issues” facing the two nations during the visit. They noted that “independent, credible reports reflect troubling signs in India” and told him that “friends can and should discuss their differences in an honest and forthright way.”

“We think it’s important that we have a strong relationship between India and the United States, regardless of who India’s prime minister is, but we also think it’s important that the president raise these human rights issues and make it clear that the institutions of democracy – free press, freedom of religion, a free judiciary, an independent judiciary – these are all things that ensure a democracy,” Rep. Pramila Jayapal, a Democrat who was born in India, said in an interview. “And without a democracy, it’s go-



Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi greets supporters Tuesday in New York. Modi was to speak before Congress on Wednesday. EDUARDO MUNOZ ALVAREZ/AP

ing to be much harder for the United States and India to have a long-term, strong relationship.”

Discrimination, harassment and erosion of trust

Trust in India’s judiciary system is also eroding. Earlier this year, a court convicted one of Modi’s chief political opponents, Rahul Gandhi, of defamation for disparaging the surname “Modi” in a case that is viewed as highly political.

If the conviction stands, Gandhi, who highlighted India’s struggles with democracy during a recent trip to the U.S., will be barred from competing in India’s national elections next year.

Modi and his political party have increasingly used government institutions to target political opponents. Discriminatory policies against the Muslim population and harassment of journalists and government critics grew significantly under Modi, Freedom House president Michael Abramowitz said.

“So it is still a democracy, as they say. It’s got a thriving election system. But it’s these other policies that cause concern for Freedom House,” Abramowitz said.

Modi has not fielded questions at a news conference since he became prime minister. But the White House said he and Biden would speak with the media on Thursday.

Rep. Ro Khanna, a Democratic congressman who co-chairs the Congressional Caucus on India and Indian Americans, said that the U.S. should be “candid” about freedom of press and human rights questions.

But the congressman, who said he plans to attend the state dinner, argued, “The imperfections in democracy should not prevent the alliance of democracies.”

Ukraine on the agenda

India has refused to denounce Russia’s war on Ukraine and has continued to buy Russian oil amid the conflict.

The United States has not been able to put meaningful pressure on India to join the U.S. and its allies in working to cripple Russia’s economy. And Modi’s government views itself as having a lot of leverage in the relationship, Nooruddin said, because of how focused the Biden administration has been on maintaining positive relations with the nation that it hopes can serve as a counter-

weight to China.

The war will be on the United States’ agenda during the meeting, the White House says, but the conversation is likely to focus on the importance of territorial sovereignty and the humanitarian assistance India has given Ukraine.

“We haven’t since the beginning of this war, nor are we going to start, browbeating or arm-twisting other nations about the way they’re looking at this war in Ukraine,” Kirby told reporters Tuesday.

One way that Biden could indirectly create a further separation between Russia and India is by accelerating U.S. approvals of defense equipment for India, said Richard Rossow, a senior fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

“It won’t be something dramatic. The tilt that has been happening over the years, where India is tilting away from Russia as a primary weapons supplier, I think that will accelerate,” he said. “But you’re not going to have a cold, hard stop, and I don’t think this trip is going to trigger that.”

Emerging superpower

Biden has sought to deepen the United States’ security partnership with India through a group known as the Quad. It is part of his administration’s efforts to counter China’s global influence.

With a population of nearly 1.4 billion people, India will soon be the world’s third-largest economy, behind only China and the United States.

Rossow said India’s growing economy and competition between the U.S. and China are at the heart of Biden’s decision to roll out the red carpet for Modi, who attended a large rally in Texas with former President Donald Trump in an earlier visit to the U.S.

Modi held a reciprocal rally for Trump in 2020 when the former president visited India. He is expected to host Biden in September during the Group of 20 Summit. The two leaders also met a month ago in Japan.

“You’re not going to see the big theatrics I think that you saw with the Trump administration,” Rossow said. “So maybe not the warmth and bombast that you saw in the previous administration but regular engagement.”

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STREAMING

Netflix docuseries reveals secrets of ‘American Gladiators’

Bryan Alexander
USA TODAY

There’s no keeping “American Gladiators” down.

The muscles-and-Spandex-filled reality competition is bouncing back, more than three decades after pummeling into America’s fascination as a weekly nationally syndicated battle between off-the-street amateurs and the show’s “gladiators” – ripped athletes with outsized bodies and personalities, and such names as Nitro and Gemini.

Fans became hooked on bouts such as the Joust – in which competitors tried to knock each other off raised platforms with pugil sticks, or padded poles – for seven bruising seasons before “Gladiators” flamed out in 1996.

Following ESPN’s two-part “The American Gladiators Documentary” in May, Netflix steps up with “Muscles & Mayhem: An Unauthorized Story of American Gladiators.”

Here are the big hits in the five-part “M&M” series (now streaming):

Human Cannonball hit reveals ‘Gladiators’ injuries were real

Skeptics who believed the competition (and battle scars) were as fake as the spray tans are dead wrong. The Gladiators, two men and two women in each episode, took their clashes seriously. The real injuries from dangerous challenges made for sometimes stomach-turning viewing.

The most lethal was the Human Cannonball, which propelled contestants from an platform to a rope as they sought to knock off gladiators. “It was scary as hell, everything was real. Ludicrous,” says Raye Hollitt, known as Zap.

Danny Lee Clark (aka Nitro) calls the Human Cannonball “the most dangerous and worst event ever.” The infamous hit on the surfer Deron McBee (Malibu) is the ultimate example. The blow sent McBee flying with such force that his knee banged into his head. McBee gamely told the “Gladiators” audience later that he recovered by catching rays on the beach. But in reality, he suffered two broken ribs, a broken thumb, a torn bicep and a concussion. McBee, one of the original Gladiators, survived for just the first 13 episodes. The Human Cannonball contest was retired in Season 5.

The “Gladiators” goal for eye-popping competitive spectacle ensured there would be more injuries in the seasons to come. “I knew people were going to get hurt, and they did,” Clark says.

Producers tried to curtail steroid use with mandatory drug tests

The popularity of “American Gladiators” exploded in the “juiced” 1990s, when anabolic steroids led to impossible physiques and doping scandals, from Major League Baseball to WWF wrestling. The colossal bodies immortalized on “Gladiators” action figures didn’t come just from workouts. Former contestants discuss using everything from supplements to growth hormones and anabolic steroids.



“Nitro” Danny Lee Clark and “Diamond” Erika Andersch appear in “Muscles & Mayhem: An Unauthorized Story of American Gladiators.” PROVIDED BY NETFLIX

“Everybody did steroids; that was the thing.” Sha-ri Pendleton (Blaze) says. An apparent final straw for “Gladiators” brass came when a producer found needles and syringes, leading to mandatory drug testing.

While the testing curtailed some usage, Clark calls it public relations damage control for the adoring public and nervous advertisers: He was given six weeks to prepare for one drug test.

“It was like, ‘Wink-wink, you’re going to give us a little bit of time to get clean,’” Clark says. “It was just to tell the advertisers, ‘Yes, we drug-tested the American Gladiators.’”

Still, the superstar Gladiator traveled to Mexico to buy steroids, only to be busted by border security. A sympathetic customs officer let Clark off the hook with a ticket.

“You wonder how far someone will go just to compete,” Clark says.

The tour bus was nonstop sex, drugs and parties

“American Gladiators” exploded with a 50-week national tour to 114 cities in 1991. Gladiators were trained to deflect journalists’ questions about steroids by changing the topic to when tickets were going on sale.

The tour-bus trips were pure debauchery, with booze, drugs, sex, groupies and wild Chippendales-style dancing contests, illustrated in the documentary with home videos.

“I would get reports every night,” said tour manager David Fishof. “And it was crazy what was going on. (The on-site manager) said he never saw such crazy sex. They were drinking. Rock stars don’t behave like this.”

“It was the most fun I had in my entire life,” says Jim Starr (Laser), who says the nonstop competition took a toll. “What people didn’t see is we competed every night, seven days a week. We were getting so beat.”

Debbie Clark (Storm), then an aspiring Olympian, recalls a horrific tackle in front of a hometown Hartford, Connecticut, crowd that “snapped” her ACL tendon.

“They kicked me off the tour,” Clark says. “That was how everything ended for me as a Gladiator. Not just as a gladiator, but as an athlete. My life was never the same.”

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Documentary gives voice to the intersex community

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Hundreds of thousands of Americans have something in common, something that, for the most part, they have been encouraged to hide. It’s so little talked about, in fact, that the greater population may not realize just how prevalent they are.

These people are intersex – an umbrella term for variations in reproductive or sex anatomy, and could show up in someone’s chromosomes, genitals, testes or ovaries. It’s estimated that 1.7% have intersex traits, and 0.07% are recommended to have surgical intervention.

Documentary “Every Body” (in theaters Friday) aims to give this community a platform. The film offers a history of how treatments for intersex people became commonplace; how intersex people often are lost in wider LGBTQ+ conversations; and how through coming together, their stories finally can be heard.

“Who’s speaking up for the human rights of intersex people? And the answer to that question, of course, is intersex people themselves,” says director Julie Cohen.

Several activists – Sean Saifa Wall, 43; Alicia Roth Weigel, 31; and River Gallo, 31 – want you to hear their loud, proud voices.

“I hope that people allow themselves to be moved (by the film) and be moved in such a way to really question what they’ve learned about, what they haven’t learned about and to be curious about themselves,” Wall says. “We’ve all been lied to,” Wall adds, when it comes to the limited knowledge we’ve been given on sex, gender, and the intersex community.

The history of intersex community

You can’t understand the intersex community without knowing their trauma – which can be traced to Johns Hopkins University sexologist Dr. John Money, whose now-debunked theory on sex and gender identity set the course for intersex medicine for decades.

In the 1960s, Money hypothesized you could take a young Canadian boy – David Reimer, who had been injured during a circumcision – and “make” him a girl, without telling him the truth. He wasn’t even intersex.

The experiment backfired and Reimer went on to live as a man and speak out before dying by suicide in 2004. Money’s work was discredited in the 1990s, but his influence lingers: The core conclusion was that surgery needs to be done early for social integration – that is, alter someone’s sex organs so they fit into a binary even if it’s not medically necessary.

“Sometimes something spreads so widely, it becomes conventional wisdom, and it takes a lot of work to de-conventionalize that false wisdom,” Cohen says.

Money understood that transgender people existed, and the detachment of sex from gender.

Anyone studying sex and gender knows the topic is nuanced.



“Intersex people haven’t ... healed enough to be able to understand what it means to be in joyful community with each other,” says River Gallo. PROVIDED BY FOCUS FEATURES

And to that end, “when you think about it, intersex is the embodiment of nuance,” Roth Weigel says. “We are the physical embodiment of the idea that things don’t fit into neat little binary boxes and categories.”

‘A huge lack of information’

This early surgical intervention is still happening to kids. While the documentary certainly covers this trauma, it offers hope through the eyes of activists.

Everyone’s story is different. Some people’s parents discover they are intersex when they’re born but others do not know until puberty or beyond.

Intersex people often are told to keep quiet about their identities which can make living their lives tricky, especially when it comes to dating and sex.

Even among progressive circles the word “intersex” leave many scratching their heads.

Cohen says: “I was a little floored by how many people just in the dinner party conversations that you have ... including people that are in the therapy world are like, ‘Oh, yeah, intersex? What’s that again? Is that like trans or kind of like trans?’ Come on people. Get it together!”

“There’s a huge lack of information,” Wall adds, “and there is ignorance, and there’s also willful ignorance.”

‘Our greatest act of resistance’

While the community is fighting for legislative change to protect intersex kids, they’re also figuring out what intersex culture really looks like.

“There’s enough time where trans people have been in community where there’s trans culture. You can talk in a similar language.

“Intersex people haven’t been together and healed enough to be able to understand what it means to be in joyful community with each other,” Gallo says.

“Every Body” is a step in that direction, but it’s unclear where the community goes from here.

Roth Weigel adds: “We need the focus on how far we have yet to go and the issues that we’re still suffering, but I know that I would not have come out had I not seen joyful intersex representation that gave me the permission to do so.”

And that’s why joy is the ultimate goal.

“Experiencing joy is perhaps our greatest act of resistance, because it’s what they’ve been trying to strip from us,” Roth Weigel says.

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