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Friends,

This week, horrific images and haunting video footage coming from the [chaos unfolding in Afghanistan](#) have taken our nation by storm. These scenes, combined with reports that thousands of American citizens and our allies remain trapped behind enemy lines, are truly gut-wrenching and leave many Americans questioning the Biden Administration's decision making and competence.

My office is working to bring stranded Americans home. Please contact my office at 202-225-1976 if you or anyone you know is seeking evacuation from Afghanistan.

TWEET: [Biden failed to lead and blamed others.](#)

As with every crisis occurring in America right now, President Biden is exhibiting feckless leadership, which is on display for the rest of the world. From the disastrous impacts of a wide open southern border, to skyrocketing inflation, to inconsistent COVID mandates, these crises point back to a leader who's simply not doing his job.

Over a month ago, President Biden assured Americans that the Taliban takeover in Afghanistan was not inevitable when pressed about his strategy to withdraw our troops. He stated unequivocally, "There's going to be no circumstance where you're going to see people being lifted off the roof of an Embassy of the United States from Afghanistan."

He went on: "The likelihood that the Taliban overrunning everything and running the whole country is *highly unlikely*."

This is the culmination of President Biden's incompetence and dereliction of duty. President Biden rushed troops out of Afghanistan without considering the Taliban's capabilities, or the safety of thousands of Americans living in Afghanistan. While he claimed that ["we planned for every contingency,"](#) President Biden's method of a dramatic, uncalculated exit was only meant to serve his legacy. Instead, this will go down as one of the biggest foreign policy failures in our lifetime.

President Biden, and his Administration, have failed both America and Afghanistan in this moment. Worse yet, he hasn't taken a single question from the American people. Members of his Administration [aren't doing much better in his absence.](#)

MORE: [Let these words of failed leadership sink in.](#)

<p>Do you think Biden is to blame for the chaos in Afghanistan?</p>
<p><u>Yes</u></p>
<p><u>No</u></p>

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This week in the District

This week, I had the honor to join the Helping a Hero Wounded Hero Home program and Bass Pro Shops founder Johnny Morris break ground on Sgt. Joseph Bartel's new home in Aberdeen.



Only a few months into his tour in Iraq, Sgt. Bartel was inside his unit's Bradley vehicle when he felt God tell him to put on his gear. He did so and urged his team to do the same. Only seconds later the vehicle hit an anti-tank mine, resulting in Sgt. Bartel losing his leg.

We must do everything we can to support our courageous veterans when they return home after defending our freedoms abroad. I am truly honored to help welcome a real American hero into a new home, and I thank the entire Helping a Hero organization and Johnny Morris, for making this possible.

It was an absolute privilege to meet this group of 108th Air Defense Artillery Brigade soldiers stationed out of Fort Bragg.

I thank these young men and all of our troops for their service and sacrifice as they defend our nation.



Sincerely,



Dan Bishop
Member of Congress

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