#### The White House

Office of the President of the United States

#### **Executive Order #**

# Ending the Federal Targeting of Concerned Parents and Restoring Constitutional Protections in Education Advocacy

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, it is hereby ordered as follows:

### Section 1. Purpose.

The First Amendment guarantees the right of the American people to speak freely, petition their government, and participate in local civic affairs without fear of reprisal. Yet, under the prior administration, the Department of Justice and affiliated agencies engaged in politically motivated actions that targeted parents who expressed legitimate concerns at schools and school board meetings. This conduct constituted a grave abuse of power and an assault on the foundational rights of American citizens. This Executive Order directs immediate federal action to investigate, expose, and end such weaponization, and to restore public trust in the rule of law.

## Sec. 2. Establishment of the Parental Rights Protection Task Force.

- (a) There is hereby established a Parental Rights Protection Task Force (PRPTF) under the direction of the Attorney General.
- (b) The Task Force shall investigate any and all instances in which federal resources were used to monitor, surveil, intimidate, or investigate parents for peaceful participation in school board meetings or related public forums.
- (c) The Task Force shall work in coordination with the Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, and the newly established Weaponization Working Group.

#### Sec. 3. Review and Rescission of Prior Directives.

- (a) The Attorney General has rescinded the October 4, 2021 memorandum issued by former Attorney General Merrick Garland, which called for federal intervention in local school board and school meetings.
- (b) All agencies shall identify and reverse any internal policies, guidance, or informal practices that enabled or justified the targeting of parents based on viewpoint or peaceful assembly.

#### Sec. 4. Redress and Restitution.

- (a) The Department of Justice shall coordinate with the Department of the Treasury and the Office of Legal Counsel to create a pathway for redress, including formal apologies and financial restitution, for individuals and families demonstrably harmed by unlawful government targeting.
- (b) Victims shall be afforded access to legal resources and public acknowledgment of wrongdoing as part of a broader effort to restore reputational standing and emotional wellbeing.

## Sec. 5. Personnel Accountability.

The Inspector General shall identify and refer for administrative or criminal investigation any federal employee, past or present, who knowingly participated in or authorized the use of federal power to harass, silence, or investigate parents without lawful basis.

#### Sec. 6. Commitment to Constitutional Government.

All federal personnel are reminded of their oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States. Political ideology must never dictate the use of federal law enforcement or prosecutorial power. Federal agencies are to operate with integrity, neutrality, and accountability to the American people.

#### Sec. 7. General Provisions.

Nothing in this order shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect:

- (a) the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency; or
- (b) the functions of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget relating to budgetary, administrative, or legislative proposals.
- (c) Any state or local investigations or prosecutions of parents that were influenced, encouraged, or justified by the federal government's prior actions—including but not limited to the October 4, 2021 DOJ memorandum—are hereby declared null and void. Such actions, rooted in a fraudulent premise of domestic extremism, lack legitimate legal foundation and must be withdrawn immediately. Federal agencies shall notify all relevant state and local jurisdictions of this determination and provide guidance for formal dismissal and expungement where applicable.

This Order is effective immediately.

DONALD J. TRUMP
President of the United States

Date: