



A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE

Major League Baseball Joins the Woke Cancel Culture

Conservatives Encouraged to Consider Boycotts

Major League Baseball (MLB) became the latest but surely not the last big corporation to take a political stand in support of the liberal left agenda. MLB Commissioner Rob Manfred announced on April 2 that its annual All-Star Game will be moved from Atlanta, Georgia, as a result of the new State law (SB 202) in Georgia. "Major League Baseball fundamentally supports voting rights for all Americans and opposes restrictions to the ballot box," he said in a statement. Too bad Manfred didn't actually read the new law because it expands voter access as well as strengthens ballot security.

The liberal mainstream media spread the false narrative that the new law will suppress voter turnout. Ironically, MLB did not cite any provision of the new law in its announcement because the facts and truth do not support their narrative. MLB is currently located in New York City where there are only 10 days of early voting. The new law in Georgia provides for a minimum of 17 days of early voting. Another irony is that many are opposed to the new law because of the voter ID requirement yet it is a standard practice for MLB teams to require an ID to purchase alcohol, pick up will call tickets, etc.

Blogger David J Harris Jr. commented: "Anytime someone comes along who wants to take out fraud and abuse from election laws, the Democrats immediately scream, rant, and rave that there's voter suppression going on." A new Associated Press poll found that 72% of voters in the US support IDs as a requirement to vote.

Apparently, Joe Biden never read the law either and was fed misleading information from his handlers. The Washington Post issued him Four Pinocchio's, its worst rating, for

lies and false statements he made regarding the Georgia law. Biden falsely claimed that the new law would restrict early voting. Interestingly, in his home state of Delaware, early voting was not even allowed in the 2020 election and you need to have a reason to vote absentee.

Georgia Governor Brian Kemp held a press conference on April 3 and stated, "The measure "expands access to voting, secures ballot drop boxes around the clock in every county, expands weekend voting, protects no-excuse absentee voting. It levels the playing field on voter I.D. requirements as well as streamlining election procedures." Kemp added, "The law is intended to make it easy to vote and hard to cheat."

The cancel culture has attacked Dr. Suess books, the phrase "Merry Christmas", sports team names, My Pillow, Hobby Lobby, etc. President Trump issued a statement on the new Georgia law by saying, "For years the Radical Left Democrats have played dirty by boycotting products when anything from that company is done or stated in any way that offends them. Now they are going big time with WOKE CANCEL CULTURE and our sacred elections." "Woke" is a term being used by conservatives to describe left-wing activism that focuses on identity politics while using censorship and pressure to silence opposing viewpoints.

One major lesson learned through the years is in order to change a business' behavior, impact their bottom line. Either stop doing business with them or greatly reduce how much you do. Over the past several months we have witnessed the censorship of conservative voices and canceling

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jobs by the likes of Twitter, Facebook, Amazon, Apple, YouTube, Instagram and the list goes on. In addition to MLB, Coca Cola, Delta Airlines, banks, insurance companies, news media, and hotel chains have been participants.

So where possible, stop doing business with these bad actors or at least greatly reduce your business with them where possible. Consider canceling your JP Morgan Chase credit, don't stay at a Marriott, drink Dr. Pepper instead of Coke, don't buy another Apple iPhone, stop using Google (DuckDuckGo is an alternative), sign up with Parler vs. Twitter and maybe consider a good college game versus the Colorado Rockies. Do your research, find

alternatives.

Our free speech, our jobs, our safety depends on all of us taking action. Baseball has long been considered America's pastime. It is shameful that our national pastime is not only being influenced by partisan politics, but also perpetuating false political narratives. The cancel culture and in this case it's minion Major League Baseball, is further dividing America and changing that to the Left's pastime. I for one 'am fed up (already) of the censorship of Big Tech and yes, the woke cancel culture using pressure to silence opposing viewpoints. It's time we turn the table on these companies and consider doing business elsewhere.

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