Transcript of Senator Jaccobei's Interview with CNN (Part 1)



Greater Appalachian Senator Jaccobei, having just won his first re-election, appears on CNN for an interview with Jake Tapper.

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Jake Tapper: Thank you for being here with us, Senator. First of all, I want to congratulate you on winning re-election.

Senator Jaccobei: Thank you Jake, it's great to be here and talk about some of the issues troubling all Americans.

Jake Tapper: First, I want to talk to you about the Democratic Party's performance in Greater Appalachia. There were four races- your Senate race and three House congressional races. You were the only one to win; is the Democratic Party's power in Greater Appalachia beginning to fade?

Senator Jaccobei: Absolutely not Jake. Listen, this election was a rough one for the Democratic Party. It wasn't just in Greater Appalachia but it was everywhere. Some

races in Greater Appalachia were very close- and let's not forget, one of our races was forfeited because CDoc wanted to stay in his Secretary of State position. But the bottom line is, we have new leadership in the Democratic Party. I am confident that with this new leadership, we will have a better chance of winning future elections. You can hold me to my word, Jake: if the Democratic Party doesn't capture at least one Chamber of Congress during the next election, you can invite me back and play back this interview to embarrass me.

Jake Tapper: (laughs) Alright Senator, I'll hold you to that promise. Do you really believe that the Republican Party's gains were from the fault of the Democratic Party? Do you not accept that, maybe, the Republican Party is just winning more votes because they are winning the debate on ideas and policies?

Senator Jaccobei: I do not accept that the majority of the American people believe that the Republican Party is better for them. So no, I don't believe that the Republican Party is winning the debate on ideas or policies. The Republican Party is becoming increasingly radical, and I truly believe that the American people are beginning to see this. Just a couple of weeks ago, we had President Adith attempt to illegalize all abortions in the country by executive order. The right to choose is something that is enshrined into, not only our federal constitution, but Greater Appalachia's constitution as well. And President Adith attempts to upend that by executive order? That is truly unacceptable and it is, quite honestly, reminiscent of how dictators behave in other countries; with just absolutely no regard to co-equal branches of government.

Jake Tapper: We'll be right back with more from Senator Jaccobei after this commercial break.