



Josh Turek

Iowa – Democratic Senate Nominee

Candidate Biography: [Here](#)



National Security Record

Defunding the Military, Silent on China



- [Calls](#) to stop “blank checks” for America’s defense apparatus and military deployments.
- [Pretends](#) dollars spent on the military prevents funding for domestic priorities.
- [Skipped](#) a funding vote for Iowa’s veterans for a Schumer-backed fundraiser.
- [Slams](#) tariffs on China as “farmageddon” without condemning China’s trade practices.
- [Remains](#) silent on China buying Iowa farmland, despite calling for a “Wall Street” ban.

Grounding the Guard



- [Backed](#) a reckless bill [barring](#) Iowa’s Guard from combat, even if the President directs it.
- [Fought](#) to make Iowa’s Guard effectively impossible to deploy, hampering the military.
- [Ignored](#) law establishing federal authority supersedes states’ on National Guard control.

Leaving the Homeland Exposed



- [Says](#) “Iowa First” is “taking care of citizens here,” not stopping threats like a nuclear Iran.
- [Claims](#) he wants border security, but promises to hobble the agencies doing exactly that.
- [Skipped](#) a vote to block visa holders tied to foreign adversaries from Iowa colleges.
- [Skipped](#) nearly 60 percent of votes this year to fundraise instead of keeping Iowa safe.
- [Dismissed](#) the capture of indicted narco-terrorist Maduro as an “unconstitutional war.”

Bad on Israel, Soft on Terrorism



- [Tried](#) to water down a resolution backing Israel's right to eliminate terrorist groups.
- [Refused](#) to say whether he opposes arms sales and transfers to Israel.
- [Claims](#) to oppose Iran getting a nuclear bomb but [rejects](#) strikes to stop them.
- [Tried](#) to add an [attack](#) on Trump and January 6 to a resolution on October 7 victims.
- [Refuses](#) to condemn a far-left streamer who calls America worse than al-Qaeda.

Siding with Sanctuary Cities



- [Advertised](#) ways for illegal immigrants to avoid law enforcement in a newsletter.
- [Vowed](#) to block DHS funding and force a shutdown until his ICE demands are met.
- [Voted](#) to stop Iowa police from working with ICE to enforce immigration law.
- [Opposed](#) restrictions on taxpayer-funded welfare benefits for illegal immigrants.
- [Trumpeted](#) his opposition to a bill requiring proof of citizenship to vote.



POLARIS Verdict | Josh Turek’s “prairie populist” persona masks an alarming national security record. His record shows a willingness to weaken America’s defenses, turn a blind eye to our adversaries, and a fundamental failure to understand the threats of our time.

