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MAGA Extremism, MAGA Misinformation

Moms for Liberty attendees were treated to speeches by several Republican presidential candidates: former President Donald Trump, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, Former South Carolina Gov. and former Trump administration official Nikki Haley, former Arkansas Gov. Asa Hutchinson, and businessman Vivek Ramaswamy.

The candidates' speeches-like those of other M4L speakers and sponsors-were rife with warfare rhetoric, mockery and outrageous demonization of political opponents, and conspiracy theories. Trump's hyperbolic speech denouncing the sinister forces he said want to destroy America by forcing "their sick creed of woke communism" on every American drew rapturous cheers and applause from the MAGA moms. About Democrats, Trump declared, "They hate God."

While M4L activists cheered candidates' vows to abolish the Department of Education and return control of education to the states, Trump and other presidential candidates championed their willingness to use the power of the presidency. Ramaswamy said he would act to prevent public school teachers from joining unions.

"I am proud to have laid out by far the most aggressive most visionary plan to liberate our children from the Marxist lunatics and perverts who have infested our educational system-they're perverts," Trump said, adding that he would issue an executive order on day one of a new Trump administration to cut federal funding "for any school pushing critical race theory, transgender ideology, and other inappropriate racial, sexual, or political content on our children."

He said he would implement "massive funding preferences" for states and school districts that abolish teacher tenure and said he would fight for direct election of school principals. "I'm also going to take very aggressive action to finally reclaim our higher education system from the Marxists and the communist left," Trump said.

Trump echoed religious-right activists who portray secularism as a false religion. "The Marxist

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left and other lunatic preaching radical ideology have become a cult, with their own creeds and their own mantras and their own rituals. Instead of taking children to church, they believe in taking children to drag shows, you see what's happening. 'Let's not go to church today, darling, let's go to a drag show.'"

DeSantis's speech was a reprise of his now-familiar denunciations of "woke" in all its forms, bragging about his administration's actions to police the content of textbooks and eliminate diversity, equity, and inclusion programs from public universities. He portrayed himself as a Churchillian hero in the war on woke: "And in Florida, we fought the woke all across the board, and as President, I will fight the woke in the corporations. I will fight the woke in the schools. I will fight the woke in the halls of Congress, we will never ever surrender to the woke mob. We are going to leave woke ideology in the dustbin of history where it belongs."

Along with the Leadership Institute, the Heritage Foundation was one of the summit's major financial backers. Heritage president Kevin Roberts denounced globalist elites who he said "don't" want our children to inherit liberty and freedom."

Trump's wildly applauded closing hit on the major messages of the MAGA movement and the Moms for Liberty summit:

"This is our final battle. With you at my side, we will demolish the deep state. We will drive out the globalists, we will cast out the communists, we will throw off the sick political class that truly hates our country, we will rout the fake news media, we will take back our schools, we will defeat Joe Biden, and propelled by the spirit of July 4, 1776, we will win a righteous victory on November 5, 2024."

The foregoing quotes are from the Leadership institute.

We hope these quotes will get the majority of the Christians out to vote, particularly the Catholics, to save America and Western civilization.

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