

Trump Picks RFK Jr. as Secretary of Health and Human Services. Paul C. Roberts

Hope springs anew

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I am astonished and delighted. I hope it isn't fake news.

President-elect Donald Trump on Thursday [said he is "thrilled to announce" Robert F. Kennedy Jr.](#) as his nominee for Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) in a statement on social media.

"For too long, Americans have been crushed by the industrial food complex and drug companies who have engaged in deception, misinformation, and disinformation when it comes to Public Health," Trump wrote on platform X, along with his announcement.

"HHS will play a big role in helping ensure that everybody will be protected from harmful chemicals, pollutants, pesticides, pharmaceutical products, and food additives that have contributed to the overwhelming Health Crisis in this Country," Trump wrote on Nov. 14.

If this is real, the media and Trump Transition Team certainly misled me about the impossibility of Bobby Kennedy in a power position that can bring down the criminal pharmaceutical industry.

This is a victory even if Big Pharma, wielding its campaign contributions, forces the Senate to refuse to confirm Kennedy in office. Trump can go to the public with the names of the bought-and-paid-for corrupt Senators and ask why Americans elect people who knowingly serve corporate criminals who knowingly damage the health of the American people. The nomination of Kennedy is the most powerful of all of Trump's appointments, with Matt Gaetz's being second.

We will now see if the Republican Senate is with Trump or against Trump and the American people. If the Senate consents to recess appointment of Trump's team, they are with the President. If they do not, they are against him and are part of the deadly enemy he and we must defeat.

Kennedy's nomination restores my hope that Trump might achieve something. Trump, Kennedy, Gaetz, and Gabbard are fighters, a rarity in a Republican administration.

But I still have concern about what seems to be a foreign policy/military team that is too committed to Israel to achieve peace. It will be ironic if Kennedy restores our health but Trump's foreign policy team destroys us in war.

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