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'Roseanne' Canceled by ABC After Roseanne Barr's Racist Tweet



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NEW YORK (AP) — ABC canceled its hit reboot of "Roseanne" on Tuesday following star Roseanne Barr's racist tweet that referred to former Obama adviser Valerie Jarrett as a product of the Muslim Brotherhood and the "Planet of the Apes."

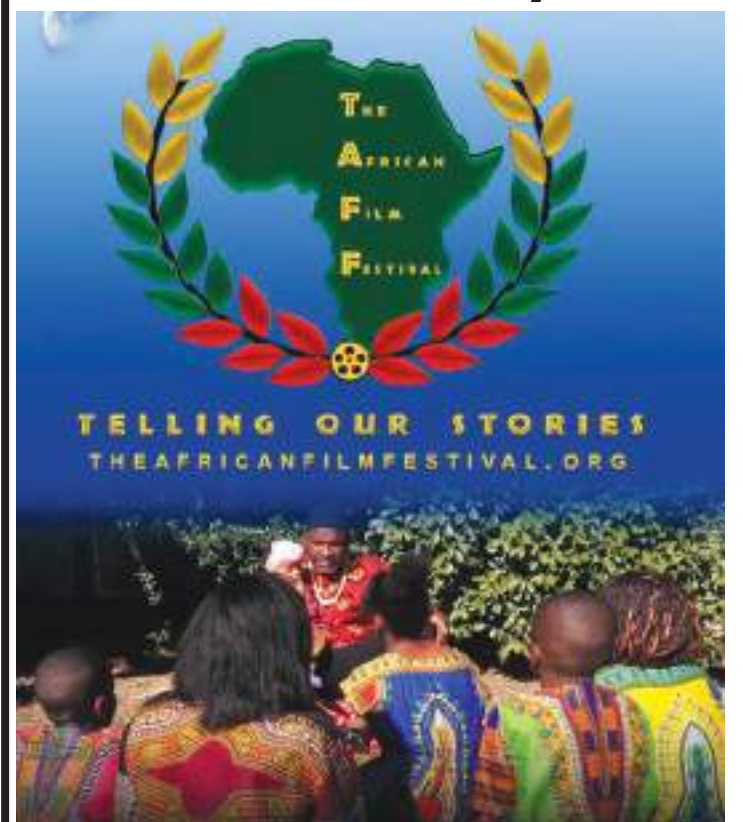
ABC Entertainment President Channing Dungey said the comment "is abhorrent, repugnant and inconsistent with our values." Barr had apologized and deleted her Monday-night tweet, calling it a "bad joke," but the damage had already been done.

Barr was also dumped by her talent agency, ICM Partners.

The revival of the comedy was a surprise smash for ABC, owned by the Walt Disney Co., and was counted on to lead the network's fortunes next season. Its first new episode in March was seen by more than 25 million people, with delayed viewing counted in, numbers that are increasingly rare in network television. ABC expected advertisers to pay millions of dollars for the chance to be seen during commercial breaks on television's most popular comedy after "The Big Bang Theory."

And it was all killed in a 53-character tweet.

The African Film Festival (TAFF) celebrates its 3rd Anniversary!



The African Film Festival (TAFF), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization created to support the Africa Independent Film Community launches for the third (3rd) year in a row in Dallas, Texas its annual film exhibition. The African Film Festival (TAFF) will showcase one of a kind African independent films that either promote African culture; address issues affecting Africa; or explore African landmarks and historic leaders. This annual festival strives to "Bridge cultures through films" by inviting a diverse audience, to include other film industries to celebrate some of the best films about the African continent.

The 5-day festival will kick off on June 29 through July 3, with storytelling, film screenings, acting workshops, symposium, and an Awards Gala night.

Festival attendees will be treated to an exploration of the African continent through the global lens and voices of talented filmmakers, producers and talent artist. The festival will prominently feature African creatives and will also be an opportunity to spotlight other filmmakers' take on African cultures and experiences. Therefore, providing a rich and varied experience for attendees.

For more festival information and film schedule: www.TAFFEST.org



Minnie's Food Pantry Raises \$1.3 Million to Reduce Hunger During 10 Year Anniversary Gala Feat. Oprah Winfrey

The Minnie's Food Pantry Feed Just One Gala 10th Anniversary celebration was nothing short of magical as global media leader and philanthropist Oprah Winfrey took the stage and inspired a sold-out room of 760 people to pledge a total of \$1.3 million to support the organization in their mission to reduce hunger.

The night was filled with surprises for the guests from the start, including a goody bag where each attendee received a sub from Jersey Mike's, a commemorative candle from Brighton the Occasion and K. Rashae, a special 10-year anniversary bottle of Dr. Pepper and a smart watch from Fossil, valued at more than \$275.

For more information, visit <http://www.minniesfoodpantry.org>.

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Reliant Energy kicks off Beat the Heat Summer Program Press Conference scheduled for June 1, 2018

What: Reliant continues its dedication to the well-being of its customers and local communities by offering several summer assistance programs, including Reliant Beat the Heat Centers in public locations throughout Houston, Dallas, and Corpus Christi. Since 2005, Reliant has contributed more than \$10 million through its CARE energy assistance program to help Texans manage summer electricity

costs. Reliant will sponsor a cooling center at the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center and at the West Dallas Multipurpose Center starting June 1, 2018.

Participants will be allowed to "beat the heat" in an air-conditioned building during business and high-heat hours through September. In addition to an air-conditioned space, the Center will offer bottled water, snacks, games, and activi-

ties, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

A press conference will be held on Friday, June 1, 2018, from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM to kick off the summer program. Special guests include Bill Clayton, Vice President of Customer Care for Reliant, and Dallas Councilman Kevin Felder.

When: Friday, June 1, 2018, from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Where: The Martin

Luther King, Jr. Community Center, located at 2922 MLK Boulevard, Dallas, Texas 75215. The press conference will be held in the front lobby of Building A. Who: This event is sponsored by the City of Dallas and Reliant. For more information, please contact (214) 670-8418 or visit www.dallasmlkcenter.com.

Black Women Make History Nationwide with Runs for Political Office

By Lauren Poteat (NNPA Newswire Contributor)

This year, an unprecedented number of Black women have made history running for political offices across the country. According to blackwomeninpolitics.com, a comprehensive database that lists women of color running for political offices in 2018, currently, over 600 Black female candidates are running for offices nationwide.

In an election that is less than two weeks away, London Breed, the current president of San Francisco's Board of Supervisors, could become the city's first Black female mayor.

Raised by her grandmother in the poverty-stricken Plaza East Public Housing in the Western Addition of San Francisco, London Breed, who was endorsed by U.S. Senator Kamala Harris (D-Calif.), said that this current platform serves as an excellent opportunity to show the youth that anything is possible.

"Every time someone stands up for what they believe in and they are willing to work hard for something, it gives others permission to do the same," Breed said. "I never thought I could become mayor. Seeing my name on the ballot the other day when I voted was something I never imagined...I am proof that no dream is too big. There will be obstacles and setbacks, but each voice is powerful. We need more voices in politics from people who come from different experiences." Breed continued: "I

hope that young people, no matter where they come from, what they look like, or how much money they make, are inspired to rise up and make sure their voices are heard, because each and every one of us counts."

Focused on affordable housing, education, homelessness, transportation, public safety and a low unemployment rate—which is currently below three percent in San Francisco—Breed hopes to transform San Francisco into a the city that is inclusive and equitable for everyone.

"I want to create a San Francisco where no one is forced or allowed to sleep on the street," Breed said. "Where we help prevent people from falling into homelessness in the first place, by preserving affordable housing and helping tenants stay in their homes; where we expand our navigation center shelter system and build modular homes to house people, as quickly as possible, and where we make the tough investments in mental health and substance abuse treatment to get people the support they need."

Breed added that she would challenge leaders in the technology, financial and healthcare industries, and even the University of California at San Francisco, to do a better job of hiring and promoting women, members of the LGBTQ community and people of color.

"We need to build bridges for our students with employers, unions, and industries early on, help them secure internships, apprenticeships and

mentorships, and ensure they have access to the classes they need to excel in their chosen field," Breed said.

On June 5, California will hold elections in their "top-two primary election system," for all candidates and party affiliations, where the two people with the highest votes, will then advance to the general election.

In addition to California, in the state of Alabama, a record number of Black women are running for Democratic offices in the deep-red state, following Republican Roy Moore's defeat.

In globalcitizen.org, it was reported that over 35 women of color were running for various political offices in Alabama, including Suzanne Coleman, who, if she wins, will become one of the first Black females to serve District 5 in Alabama's House of Representatives.

"Races such as these are never an easy task to complete, but I hope the precedent that Black women have set this year will be used as a framework by the youth for their own futures," Coleman said. "With my platform I plan to focus on education equality, academic reform and public safety...children should know their history and laws should be made to fit everyone, not just a few."

Michigan State Rep. Erika Geiss, who is running to represent District 6 in the state senate, is focused on a number of issues including economics, education and criminal justice. Geiss believes that races such as these will prove to be a vital tool

in placing more women of color in higher areas of office.

"This phenomenon of women of color running for political offices all across the country is showing little girls, women and young men that this is a space that is possible," Geiss said. "Community work is good, but we also need to get out there and represent on a legislative level, as well. One of the things that people need to know about Michigan is that this state is way more diverse than what has been [historically] represented legislatively."

Celebrating the great achievement of Black women in America, with even bigger possibilities to come, Kamau Marshall, the director of African American media and the deputy national press secretary of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, said that Black women in general, are recognizing their power and will play major roles in all elections, including the 2020 presidential race.

"A lot is happening in the world of women," Marshall said. "Black women, all over, are capitalizing on their strengths, including London Breed, who will make an excellent mayor."

Marshall continued: "This kind of power will inspire and wake others up, especially Black millennials, who will play a large role in the 2020 presidential elections."

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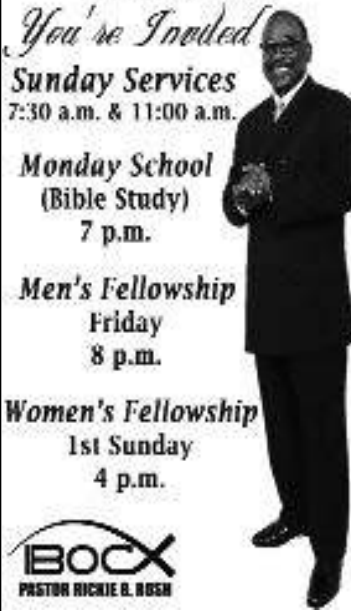
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Is the NFL's New National Anthem Policy Legal?

By Lauren Victoria Burke (NNPA Newswire Contributor)

Protesters held a rally in front of the National Football League's New York City headquarters on May 25 after the league announced new rules that punish players who don't stand for the national anthem.

Tamika Mallory said that the NFL owners were acting as a "proxy for a fascist president" and that the new policy was an attempt to "resurrect slavery in the 21st century" and punish Black players. The kneeling protests started when former San Francisco 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick began sitting during the anthem and then kneeling as a protest against police brutality.

"What is being said is that the n-gas don't have basic rights," Mallory said. "And I want to say today that Ida B. Wells, Dr. Martin Luther King, Marcus Garvey, the four little girls in Birmingham are turning over in their graves right now about the disrespect, the disgrace, that is happening in this country."

Mallory continued: "If we, as Black people, lay down and allow this system to continue to oppress us, we are the ones to be held responsible."

Civil rights activist and author of "The Revolt of the Black Athlete" Harry Edwards told USA TODAY that the NFL's new national anthem policy was "the dumbest move possible."

"They put the protest movement on blast," Edwards said. "They just created a bigger stage than ever."

In a recent commentary for Vox.com, Harvard Law School

labor professor Benjamin wrote: "This new league policy is meant to enforce a particular vision of patriotism, one that involves compliance rather than freedom of expression."

Sachs wrote that the new anthem policy was illegal—for a host of reasons.

"The clearest illegality derives from the fact that the league adopted its new policy without bargaining with the players union," Sachs wrote. "When employees, including football players, are represented by a union, the employer—including a football league—can't change the terms of employment without discussing the change with the union. Doing so is a flagrant violation of the employer's duty to bargain in good faith."

ESPN.com reported that President Donald Trump supported the NFL's policy that requires players to stand for the national anthem or remain in the locker room, during an interview with Fox News.

"I think that's good," Trump said. "I don't think people should be staying in locker rooms, but still I think it's good. You have to stand proudly for the national anthem or you shouldn't be playing, you shouldn't be there. Maybe you shouldn't be in the country."

Many players have already indicated that they are not happy with the new rule.

In a statement released on Twitter, Philadelphia Eagles safety Malcolm Jenkins wrote: "While I disagree with this decision, I will not let it silence me or stop me from fighting. The national conversation around race in America

past 2 years will persist as we continue to use our voices, our time and our money to create a more fair and just criminal justice system, end police brutality and foster better educational and economic opportunities for communities of color and those struggling in this country."

In an interview with ESPN, Seattle Seahawks wide receiver Doug Baldwin called the president "an idiot...plain and simple."

"I respect the man because he's a human being, first and foremost. But he's just being more divisive, which is not surprising. It is what it is," Baldwin said. "For him to say that anyone who doesn't follow his viewpoints or his constituents' viewpoints should be kicked out of the country, it's not very empathetic, it's not very American-like, actually to me. It's not very patriotic. It's not what this country was founded upon."

Baldwin continued: "It's kind of ironic to me that the president of the United States is contradicting what our country is really built on."

In his Vox.com commentary about the NFL's new national anthem policy, Sachs wrote that now that the owners have made it a workplace rule to stand during the anthem or stay in the locker room, any player who takes the field and takes a knee is protesting an employer rule.

That protest, Sachs said, "is unquestionably protected by federal labor law."

The NFL pre-season begins in August.

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Why it's important to keep track of your diabetes numbers

If you have diabetes, there are certain numbers that are important for keeping track of your health. They can help you see if what you are doing is working. If the numbers are either higher or lower than the guidelines, it can tell you what you are doing wrong or right so you can make changes.

Blood sugar

Having diabetes means you must check your blood sugar levels every day. Testing your blood sugar is the only way to know if it's too high, too low or just right. You can check your own blood sugar with a finger-stick test using a blood sugar meter. This can help you manage your diabetes day-by-day or even every few hours.

Your blood sugar can change because of stress, exercise, what you ate and when you took your medicine. High blood sugar can cause damage to all parts of your body so it is important to treat it quickly

and get your blood sugar levels down.

People with diabetes should have a blood sugar in the following ranges:

- Fasting or before a meal: 80 to 130
- Two hours after eating a meal: 180 or lower
- At bedtime: 100 to 140

Your healthcare provider may change these numbers to what is right for you. If your sugar stays higher than it should be, it can cause damage to many parts of your body. It's important to get your blood sugar levels under control.

A1C

The blood test A1C shows how well your diabetes treatment is working. You should have an A1C test at least two times a year, according to the American Diabetes Association. Most people with Type 2 diabetes should keep A1C levels below 7 percent. If your levels are higher, you may need to talk to your doctor

about your treatment.

Blood pressure

People with diabetes are much more likely to develop heart disease. If you have diabetes, try to keep your blood pressure below 140/80 mmHg. Taking blood pressure medications prescribed by your provider, staying at a healthy weight and eating healthy foods can help keep your blood pressure under control.

Cholesterol

It's important to watch your cholesterol when you have diabetes.

- Total cholesterol should be below 200
- LDL (bad) cholesterol should be below 100
- HDL (good) cholesterol should be higher than 40 for men and 50 for women

To keep your cholesterol levels at a healthy range, avoid fried foods and saturated fats, such as butter, lard and shortening.

Waistline and weight

People who are heavier and carry more fat around the waist are more likely to develop heart disease. Losing even just a little weight can help you reduce your risk for diabetes, heart disease and other health problems.

Make an appointment with your healthcare provider to get your numbers checked and for help with developing a plan to keep you healthy. Keeping track of your numbers is an important part of staying healthy. Check out the video on Understanding Your Numbers at www.ParklandDiabetes.com/YourNumbers for more tips.

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Wells Fargo launches \$60 billion plan to increase African American homeownership

After years of moving and renting, novelist Randy Camp, recently became a first-time homebuyer at age 55.

"It feels good," said Camp, a resident advisor at a youth services agency in Des Moines, Iowa. "There's this idea of 'this place is yours, so now make sure you take care of it and enjoy it.' I also did it for my children. As I get older, I realize the importance of leaving an asset for them."

In an effort to make homeownership dreams a reality for others like Camp, Wells Fargo has launched a 10-year diversity initiative to provide \$60 billion in home loans, supporting at least 250,000 African American homeowners by 2027. As part of the plan, the company also intends to significantly increase the diversity of its mortgage sales force.

Working with the National Urban League and the National Association of Real Estate Brokers, Wells Fargo announced the initiative Feb. 28 at the National Center for Civil and Human Rights in Atlanta.

The company aims to help reverse the decreasing homeownership rate in the African American community, said Brad Blackwell, head of housing policy and homeownership growth strategies for Wells Fargo.

Blackwell added that the company also plans to invest \$15 million in a wide range of initiatives that promote financial education and counseling for African American homebuyers over the next 10 years. The company will also boost its recruiting, hiring, and retention of African American home mortgage officers, he said.

Year of transformation at Wells Fargo

In a letter published in the 2017 Wells Fargo Annual Report, CEO Tim Sloan had this to say about the past year:

"This was a year of transformation at Wells Fargo. We achieved a great deal in 2017 and look forward to building on our momentum in the months ahead. Our top priority remains rebuilding the trust of our customers, team members, communities, regulators, and shareholders. We have made foundational changes to identify and fix problems so they do not happen again and achieved significant progress in our commitment to make things right for our customers and build a better bank. Our transformation is grounded in our vision of satisfying our customers' financial needs and helping them succeed financially. While we have more work to do, I assure you that the Operating Committee and I are fully committed to building on our accomplishments. In addition, we take very seriously the consent order we entered into with the Board of

Governors of the Federal Reserve System in February 2018, and we will work diligently, yet swiftly, to meet the requirements.

In response to feedback from our team, we introduced a streamlined Vision, Values & Goals of Wells Fargo in late 2017 — replacing what previously was a 37-page expression of our culture. Today the wallet-sized booklet focuses exclusively on our guiding principles and goals, clearly expressing the beliefs that guide every team member as we work together to build the best Wells Fargo possible.

We have overcome challenges many times during our history. We have a solid foundation, exceptional businesses, and an outstanding team. Our more than 260,000 team members are dedicated, talented, and committed — and, without a doubt, they are our most important resource. Thank you for placing your trust in Wells Fargo and for your support. Our commitment to you is unwavering as we continue our transformation into a better, stronger company.

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New Wells Fargo structure focuses on customer experience "Change for the Better"

After a successful pilot in select locations across the U.S., Wells Fargo branches have rolled out the first phase of changes designed to transform the customer and team member experiences.

One of those changes is to put in place a new compensation program for retail bank team members to focus on the customer experience within its branches. The new compensation program took effect on Jan. 1, 2017, and applies to all branch team members, including managers, tellers, and personal bankers.

The changes have also simplified complicated processes, replaced required questions with tips and suggestions relevant to customers, eliminated sales pressure, and allowed bankers and tellers to simply talk to their customers, ask questions, listen, and meet their financial needs by offering the right products and services or referring them to the right partners.

A celebration of black entrepreneurs

Celebrity chef Roblé Ali joins Wells Fargo in a salute to African American small business owners who are working to improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods.

As early as middle school, Mandy Bowman knew she wanted to be an entrepreneur. The Brooklyn, New York, native went on to study entrepreneurship and global business management at Babson College in Massachusetts, and then took a job as a social media manager by day, while she worked on developing her own business at night.

By October 2017, Bowman was a full-time entrepreneur and had launched her business — the Official Black Wall Street app. "I wanted to support black-owned businesses in my local area, but was unable to find a directory that was current or easy to use — so I created my own," said Bowman. The app is now the largest directory of its kind in the world, according to Black News, and allows users to find and rate black-owned businesses in their neighborhoods and nationwide.

Bowman's business, like other small businesses, required hard work, dedication, and, most of all, support to succeed. Currently, there are more than 2.6 million black-owned businesses in the U.S.,

according to the U.S. Small Business Administration's Survey of Business Owners Facts (PDF). In support of these businesses, and in an effort to strengthen communities, Wells Fargo is saluting and highlighting Community Builders — the African American small business owners who go above and beyond to make things better for their businesses, their customers, and their neighborhoods.

"Initiatives like Community Builders help encourage and inspire black entrepreneurs, and we hope this initiative will encourage others to seek out and support the Community Builders in their neighborhoods," said Candace McCullom Gainer, Wells Fargo's head of African American integrated campaigns. Wells Fargo launched the Community Builders initiative in 2017 by spotlighting the stories of African American business owners nationwide who were working to give back to their local communities. In honor of Black History Month, Wells Fargo is once again celebrating Community Builders.

"Supporting small business owners is critical to the success of our communities and a priority Wells Fargo takes seriously," said Lisa Frison, multicultural segment strategy leader. Wells Fargo has helped small businesses in local

communities through focused investments and by providing small business tools and resources.

The company also supports small businesses through Wells Fargo Works for Small Business® and the Wells Fargo Works for Small Business: Diverse Community Capital program. The Diverse Community Capital program, established in 2015, provides capital to Community Development Financial Institutions, or CDFIs. CDFIs provide technical assistance, financial services, mentoring, and other resources for diverse small businesses that may not qualify for conventional bank loans.

Throughout February, Community Builder recognition events are taking place in Atlanta, Houston, and New York City. The marquee event in New York City will feature Bowman and special host, entrepreneur, and celebrity chef Roblé Ali.

"I'm excited to work with Wells Fargo to celebrate Community Builders," Ali said. "Simply trying to run a business as an entrepreneur takes a lot of work, so going above and beyond that takes even more effort, but also brings even more rewards. I am proud to be in a position to acknowledge other entrepreneurs who are doing great business and serving as Community Builders for their neighborhoods."