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500K immigrants lose safeguards

High court clears way for program's end, deportations

By Lindsay Whitehurst Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Supreme Court again cleared the way Friday for the Trump administration to strip temporary legal protections from hundreds of thousands of immigrants for now, pushing the total number of people who could be newly exposed to deportation to nearly 1 million.

The justices lifted a lower court order that kept humanitarian parole protections in place for more than 500,000 migrants from four countries: Cuba, Haiti, Nicaragua and Venezuela. The decision comes after the court allowed the administration to revoke temporary legal status from about 350,000 Venezuelan migrants in

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another case.

The court did not explain its reasoning in the brief order, as is typical on its emergency docket.

Two justices publicly dissented. The administration filed an emergency appeal to the Supreme Court after a federal judge in Boston blocked the administration's push to end the program. The Justice Department argues that the protections for people fleeing turmoil in their home countries were always meant to be temporary, and the Department of Homeland Security has the power to revoke them without court interference.

Abigail Jackson, a White House spokeswoman, said the Biden-era policies weren't in line with immigration law: "We are confident in the legality of our actions to protect the American people and look forward to further action from the Supreme Court to vindicate us."

But Karen Tumlin, founder and director of Justice Action Center, said the decision has "effectively greenlit" deportation orders for a

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'We wait until you have stage 4 illness.' — Patrick J. Kennedy



3 deputies charged in battery ofinmate

By Angie DiMichele and Rafael Olmeda South Florida Sun Sentinel

Three Broward Sheriff's deputies are facing charges of aggravated battery causing great bodily harm stemming from an alleged rough encounter with a woman they were booking into the jail in 2022, court records show.

Deputy Denia Walker, 37; Deputy Cleopatra Johnnie, 47; and Sgt. Zakiyyah Polk, 44, were booked into the Broward Main Jail on Thursday, jail and court records show. The charge they each face is a second-degree felony. On Oct. 4, 2022, Walker, Johnnie and Polk were processing a 38-year-old woman at the Main Jail and took her to a search cell to change into the jail uniform, according to arrest warrants obtained by the South Florida Sun Sentinel through a public records request on Thursday evening. The woman was being booked into the jail on a misdemeanor driving under the influence charge, Broward County court records show. The case was dropped in

Patrick J. Kennedy speaks at the 10th annual South Florida Behavioral Health Conference at the Broward County Convention Center in Fort Lauderdale on May 21. AMY BETH BENNETT/SOUTH FLORIDA SUN SENTINEL

Time to start shifting from crisis to prevention

Advocate urges Floridians to pay attention to children's mental health sooner

By Cindy Krischer Goodman South Florida Sun Sentinel

Florida's doctors report the state is experiencing a mental health catastrophe, with not enough beds for children in crisis to be admitted into a hospital.

With the projected bed gap growing, mental health advocates in the state turned their focus last week to prevention.

"There's no prevention and there's relatively no recovery," former Congressman and mental health advocate Patrick J. Kennedy said at the South Florida Behavioral Health Conference in Fort Lauderdale. "All we have are acute episodic treatment in this country. We wait until you have a stage 4 illness. If you don't start treating someone until it's stage 4, it makes recovery a lot more difficult, just as it would be if it were cancer or any other illness."

Kennedy personally fights alcohol addiction and has been in rehab multiple times over his 57 years. His first time was at 17. He implored the more than 800 South Florida mental health advocates and providers at the behavioral health conference to devise strategies to keep Florida youth from entering crises.

"When you don't treat someone early and they grow up in a family where there's violence, where there's mental illness, where there's addiction, where there are adverse childhood experiences ... If you don't address those early, you're going to pay for it," he said. Florida is among the worst states in the

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Denia Walker, from left, Cleopatra Johnnie and Zakiyyah Polk face second-degree felony charges stemming from an encounter while they were processing an inmate into jail in 2022. BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE/COURTESY

Fort Lauderdale considering deal with private developer to build parking garage

By Susannah Bryan South Florida Sun Sentinel

Pickleball by day and concerts by night.

Fort Lauderdale's popular Holiday Park just about has it all as far as parks go. But it's still missing one key amenity: A big 1,000-space parking garage. And that's a problem, city officials say.

The 93-acre park is bringing in big crowds these days, thanks to the Florida Panthers' new Baptist Health IcePlex along with The Parker and War Memorial Auditorium. But people in search of parking wind up heading to unpaved grassy lots that turn mucky and slippery when it rains.

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Report lists alleged ethics violations by US Rep. Cherfilus-McCormick

By Anthony Man South Florida Sun Sentinel

An official report outlining potential ethics violations by U.S. Rep. Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick said there was probable cause to believe that she "accepted campaign contributions linked to an official action."

If proven, the allegation contained in a document released Thursday by the House Ethics Committee could be a violation of House rules, standards of conduct and federal law.

The Office of Congressional Conduct determined in May 2024 that the matter warranted review by the Congressional Ethics Committee, which said it has been reviewing the allegation for the last year. The official document provided no details, just a total of three sentences in two different places.

It was one of five alleged violations. The board of the Office of Congressional Conduct recommended further review of three and dismissal of two.

The document was released one year after the conduct office, which reviews allegations of misconduct against members, referred the case to the committee, which investigates and adju-

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The deputies told the woman to remove all of her clothes, including her bra, the warrants said, but then began arguing about taking off the bra.

Polk shoved the woman backward, and then all three deputies allegedly "punched and kicked" her multiple times, according to the warrants. Walker sprayed the woman with pepper spray, and Polk shocked her with her Taser, the warrants say.

Cameras in the Main Jail recorded the incident, and the video was reviewed by the Broward State Attorney's Office investigator who authored the arrest warrants on Tuesday. The video showed that the woman was "clearly dragged behind the yellow demarcation line, which identifies the 'blind spot' where an individual is able to change without being observed on the video," the warrants say.

BSO nursing staff treated the woman immediately afterward. She had significant bruising underneath her right eye and a bruised and swollen face, according to the warrants. At a hospital after she was released, the woman learned she had a skin infection where she had been shocked with the Taser.

The warrants did not provide additional information. Some sections of the warrants obtained by the Sun Sentinel are redacted.

Polk, hired in 2002; Johnnie, hired in 2001; and Walker, hired in 2015, are on administrative leave with pay as of Friday, Sheriff's Office spokesperson Carey Codd said.

Polk's attorney Eric Schwartzreich told the Sun Sentinel on Thursday afternoon that he has not yet seen video of the incident. Polk has worked for the Sheriff's Office for 17 years.

"Working as a detention deputy in jail is fraught with danger. There are heightened sensitivities involved," Schwartzreich said. "I've gotten to know my client very well. There's more to this story than what the charges say."

Michael Gottlieb, Johnnie's attorney, said, "Situations happen when people are booked in jail."

"Inmates are not always acting rationally, and they do not always respond to verbal and physical commands," Gottlieb said. "The fact that someone is physically hurt is not proof that a crime was committed."

Walker's attorney Jeremy Kroll said his client has worked as a detention deputy for a decade and "we look forward to vigorously defending her in court."

All three deputies were later

transferred to the Paul Rein Detention Facility and had been released as of Thursday evening. A judge signed orders that they be released from custody on \$7,500 bonds.

There have been multiple reviews internally by BSO and by the State Attorney's Office in recent years related to actions of deputies within the Broward County jails.

In 2023, Broward jail deputy Ke'Shondra Davis was accused of a misdemeanor battery charge stemming from a 2022 incident where she was relocating inmates and one made a comment to her, according to a statement from the Sheriff's Office at the time. The statement did not specify the nature of the comment. Davis then "confronted the inmate and struck him with her hand multiple times," the statement said. Court records in the case were not accessible Thursday evening. Also in 2023, Anderson Jean, a detention deputy, was arrested after an investigation found that he had allegedly worked with an inmate and the inmate's wife to smuggle drugs and other contraband into the jail for the inmate to then sell. He pleaded guilty in June 2024 and was sentenced to two years of community control, followed by three years of probation, court records show.

In 2021, inmate Kevin Desir died days after a violent struggle inside of his cell with six deputies as he was suffering an apparent mental breakdown. A medical examiner who performed Desir's autopsy ruled his cause and manner of death were undetermined. The Sheriff's Office in its own internal investigation and the State Attorney's Office in 2022 cleared all deputies who were involved. Desir's family filed a federal civil rights lawsuit in 2023.

Health

country for mental health and substance use issues. Like the rest of the nation, the Sunshine State is experiencing a serious shortage of behavioral health providers. As many as 60% of children in Florida with mental health needs do not receive the necessary care, according to a Florida Behavioral Health Profile.

Kennedy believes social media, sports betting, pornography and commercialized marijuana will fuel mental health conditions, especially in young people.

"All of these things are going to blow our kids' dopamine to the ceiling. I shudder to think what I'm going to have to do to protect my kids from all the onslaught of addiction for profit," he said.

In Florida, the majority of serious mental illnesses emerge between the ages of 14 and 24, according to a Florida Behavioral Health Profile. "That's also the time when it's most difficult to obtain services," said Randy Scheid, founder and CEO of RGS Partners Consulting, which assessed the behavioral health landscape in Florida. "It's very unclear where to go, where to turn to for help."

Scheid discovered that behavioral health professionals are reimbursed at lower rates than other



Patrick J. Kennedy speaks during the 10th annual South Florida Behavioral Health Conference at the Broward County Convention Center in Fort Lauderdale on May 21. AMY BETH BENNETT/SOUTH FLORIDA SUN SENTINEL

medical professionals, which has exacerbated a shortage of providers. "This makes it difficult for individuals to find in-network care, afford copays, or receive necessary treatments," he said.

At the conference, Scheid suggested creating an electronic directory of behavioral health resources. "It would be a way to easily figure out resources in certain areas," he said.

Already there are programs in Florida schools focused on anti-bullying, problem solving, and conflict resolution. But even more are needed, said Maria Hernandez, chief program officer for United Way of Broward County. Hernandez said a focus on prevention means programs also need to be available in after-school programs and community centers. They need to teach children coping skills and how to talk to their parents about mental health issues, she said.

"Wherever the young people are, we need to show up and address their needs," Hernandez said.

The behavioral health crisis in

Florida extends beyond young people. It includes adults who engage in substance use and isolated seniors who suffer from depression. Conference workshops included discussions on suicide prevention, drug use prevention and peer support.

"It is all about looking at new ways of doing things to prevent a crisis," said Kathleen Cannon, president/CEO of United Way of Broward County, which co-hosted the conference.

"Prevention really works, but it's

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hard to measure. It takes years to see if there are fewer admissions into psychiatric beds or treatment centers," Cannon said.

The focus on prevention at the conference included faith-based leaders who often are the front line for congregants suffering from behavioral health issues. "People come to a church leader and say, 'My son is suicidal, or my spouse is using opioids.' Those faith leaders want help," Cannon said.

Cannon said policymakers and funders of mental health programs in Florida need to be educated on why to spend on prevention programs rather than treatment. "The funders were there and we showcased preventative programs, how they work and how prevention is cheaper in the long run."

Cost has been a barrier to getting mental health services for many Floridians. More than one-third of practicing psychologists do not take insurance, according to the 2024 Practitioner Pulse Survey released by the American Psychological Association. Kennedy and Cannon said they are working to convince insurers of the long-term benefits of providing people access to care.

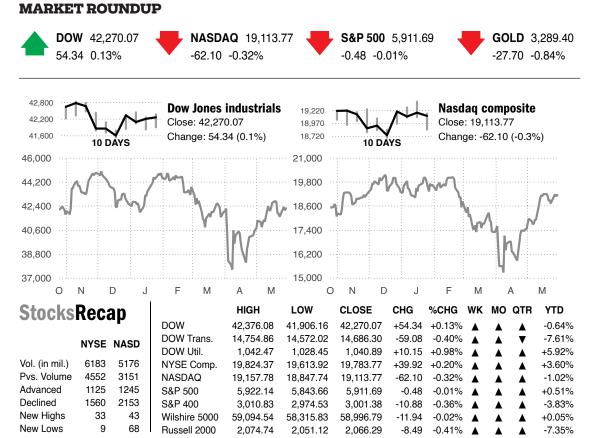
"The message," she said, "is that prevention is powerful."

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