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**Squirrel**

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My sister called me the other day and asked me what I thought of the so-called feud between Elon Musk and President Donald Trump. And then she shouted “Squirrel!” After the laughing subsided, she exclaimed, “Teddy, sometimes you have to get the dog’s attention!”

My long-time friend, the world-class dog-trainer, who also goes by the name of Amanda, has said as much when discussing how she does it. “Squirrel!”

My sister Amanda wanted to know whether “Squirrel” was the right call with the very public Trump-Musk kerfuffle commanding front and center in the Legacy Media these days. “Yep,” I said, “exactly!”

Trump gave the Congress the “Great Big Beautiful Bill” he said would put our country back on the right track and Make America Great Again by cutting taxes, streamlining government, controlling immigration, promoting growth in energy, employment, business and foreign trade, and eventually cutting deeply into the national deficit.

Well, you’da thought the world was going to end tomorrow if you paid attention to all the squalling from both sides of the aisle. Speaker of the House Mike Johnson held steady, while a few staunch Republicans complained bitterly, joining the likes of Democratic mucky-mucks like Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer. Meanwhile, Kentucky Republican Senator Rand Paul said, “We’re very, very skeptical.” When Speaker Johnson was asked if he thought Musk “… just misperceives this?" He said, “I do.”

So … my sister asked the right question: What do I think?

Well … I think Donald Trump has been light-years ahead of everybody this time around. He has demonstrated very clearly that he knows how things work, what the Mainstream Media thinks, how elected officials react to his way of doing things (especially those in the Congress), how the majority of the American population perceives him, and what really makes politicians lose their minds completely.

Trump’s participation in the Elon Musk debacle, to my mind, is nothing more than a ruse, controlled from behind a facade created some time ago by two of the world’s best businessmen, who are skilled beyond measure in how to make things happen. They both know how things work in Washington, in the media, in the courts and in the American public’s mind. They have been playing the Congress, the Democrat Party and the Legacy Media like a giant multi-faceted fiddle! That’s what I think …

That’s my story, and I’m st-st-st-stickin’ to it!

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