



Watch Out!

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This week, a Google Alert brought a [news article](#) from *Brady Today*, a small-town publication in Brady, Texas.

The story in the Brady newspaper is [strikingly similar to one](#) *The Center Square* had produced right after the election. Except that the ending—a statement from yours truly—was quite different.

“Watch out in 2026,” *The Center Square* article quoted me from our press release. “We have people in another dozen states already anxious to pass these measures and clarify that only citizens can vote in their state and local elections.”

However, the *Brady Today* story quoted me quite differently. “In 2026, we need to be cautious. There are individuals in

several more states who are eager to implement similar measures and ensure that only citizens have the right to vote in their state and local elections.”

Urge caution? Not me. Ever.

And especially not after sweeping to wins in eight states, adding up to a 14–0 record on Citizen Only Voting Amendments in recent years.

Nolan Brown with *Brady Today* has me saying something I’ve never said.

Dan McCaleb of *The Center Square* quoted me correctly. He did his job as a reporter. But Mr. Brown? He appears to have a different task in mind.

I tried to contact both *Brady Today*’s management and Nolan Brown. James R. Griffin, III, who owns the small-town newspaper says he had shut down the website a year ago, only to discover (due to my phone call) that it has been revived online by an unknown entity—which has been using his name without permission on articles he did not write. And [Mr. Brown](#)? Unreachable.

The upshot is pretty clear: Don’t believe everything you read.

This is Common Sense. I’m Paul Jacob.