



## Rasmussen Poll: 81% Say English Should Be Official Language Of United States



A new poll conducted by Rasmussen Reports and ProEnglish has found that 81% of Americans believe that English should be the official language of the United States.

The Rasmussen national survey of 1,000 American adults was conducted on April 22-23, 2018.

Rasmussen asked the 1,000 Americans: "Should English be the official language of the United States?"

81% responded yes; 12% responded no; 6% responded not sure.

95% of Republicans and 75% of Democrats agreed that English should be the official language of the United States.

Rasmussen also asked: "Is English the official language of the U.S. government?"

77% responded yes, incorrectly believing that English is the official language of the U.S. government; 15% responded no, correctly stating that English is not the official language of the U.S. government; 8% were not sure.

Rasmussen's final poll question asked: "Should election ballots

and other official government documents be printed in English only or should they also be printed in other languages?" 50% said English only; 44% said other languages; 6% were not sure.

The Rasmussen Reports national survey has a margin of sampling error of +/- 3% with a 95% level of confidence.

ProEnglish is very pleased with the outstanding survey results showing that 81% of the Americans polled believe that English should be the official language of the United States.

ProEnglish has been sharing these overwhelmingly pro-official English poll results with both Congress and the White House in recent days in an effort to accelerate the passage of the English Language Unity Act and the signing of a new Executive Order by President Trump in order to repeal former President Clinton's onerous Executive Order 13166 which mandates costly foreign language translations and interpretations for federal fund recipients.

ProEnglish hopes that these new overwhelmingly pro-official English poll results will cause Congress and the White House to act in rapid fashion on these measures.

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# Michigan Poll Shows 73% Favor English As Official State Language



A recent Michigan statewide poll conducted by EPIC-MRA on behalf of ProEnglish showed that 73% favored a bill currently in the state legislature that would designate English as the official state language.

The statewide poll of 600 Michiganders was conducted April 28-30, 2018, and all 600 people polled were active and likely voters in the November 2018 mid-term election, and what makes the poll especially timely is that it comes as the Michigan legislature looks to pass H.B. 4053, which would make English the official language of government in Michigan, and which would also make Michigan the 33rd state in the nation to pass such legislation.

Respondents initially were asked a general question about whether they favored or opposed a law designating English as the official state language of governmental operations in Michigan.

71% favored and 17% opposed.

Respondents then were told about some of the specific provisions of the proposed law, such as how the bill requires English to be the principal language used for public records, meetings subject to the state's open meetings act, and official functions and acts of a public body that are enforceable, but that the bill's provisions would not be applied if they would deny any person's rights under the State or U.S. Constitution, or if they are in conflict with other state or federal laws, and additionally would not apply to foreign language instruction, instruction designed to aid students with limited English language skills, to promote commerce, tourism, sporting and cultural events, or if the public safety, health, or justice required the use of languages other than English.

After hearing more about the provisions of the bill, respondents then were asked once again if they favored or opposed the bill currently in the state legislature designating English as the official language in Michigan.

Support for the official English bill in Michigan jumped to 73% in favor and 17% opposed.

ProEnglish is heartened by the overwhelming support for official English legislation in Michigan, and we further urge the Michigan Senate to follow the lead of the Michigan House and pass H.B. 4053 as quickly as possible to make English the official language of state government – just as an overwhelming majority of Michiganders want, according to these recent poll results.

## Rep. Dianda Makes Case For Official English In Michigan

State Rep. Scott Dianda is one of just four Democrats who joined the majority of Republican representatives in the Michigan House and voted to make English the official language of the state.

The official English bill passed in the Michigan House and now needs approval in the Republican-led Michigan Senate.

Dianda recently explained to the Detroit Metro Times the reasons why he voted for the official English bill in the Michigan House, and you can read his entire interview at this link:

<https://www.metrotimes.com/news-hits/archives/2018/02/23/michigan-democrat-explains-his-vote-to-make-english-the-official-state-language>







# Rep. Lynn Jenkins Is 70th Supporter Of English Language Unity Act



ProEnglish is very excited to announce that there are now 70 supporters of HR 997 – The English Language Unity Act – in the United States House of Representatives, as Rep. Lynn Jenkins of Kansas has become the newest co-sponsor of the bill.

HR 997 was originally authored by Rep. Steve King, who also made some very important floor remarks about the legislation, and the bill has added 69 co-sponsors since that time, for a current total of 70 House supporters.

HR 997 designates English as the nation's official language of governmental operations and also establishes a uniform language requirement for the citizen naturalization process.

ProEnglish continues to engage House members on a daily basis on Capitol Hill as we seek to add even more co-sponsors to the English Language Unity Act.

Please support ProEnglish today and also please urge your representative to support HR 997 – The English Language Unity Act – if he or she has not already done so.

## Newsmax Calls EEOC Suit Against Albertsons Nonsensical And Un-American

Newsmax published an online opinion column by Michael Dorstewitz which featured the headline: "Fed Lawsuit Against 'English Only' Rule Nonsensical, Un-American."

In the opinion piece, Dorstewitz reviewed the recent Equal Employment Opportunity Commission lawsuit which alleged that a San Diego Albertsons supermarket engaged in discriminatory practices for enforcing its "English only" rule on employees.

The EEOC labeled the alleged conduct at Albertsons to be "both illegal and highly destructive to workplace morale and productivity."

Dorstewitz blasted the EEOC lawsuit and commented: "Albertsons would be a better judge of what standards are best for its overall productivity and employee morale...."

Dorstewitz observed: "The EEOC's lawsuit also demonstrates that the agency is fully onboard with today's emphasis on diversity at the expense of joining the American 'melting pot.'"

Dorstewitz also quoted former President Theodore Roosevelt who famously stated: "We should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith becomes an American and assimilates himself to us...this is predicated upon the man's becoming in very fact an American, and nothing but an American."

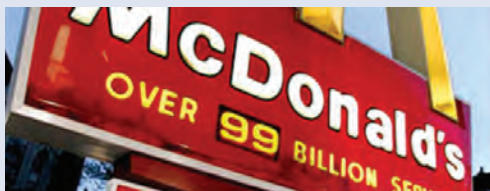
Dorstewitz added another famous quote by former President Roosevelt, a quote which is used at ProEnglish all the time: "We have room for but one language here,



and that is the English language...and we have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the American people."

Dorstewitz concluded about the EEOC lawsuit against Albertsons: "The rush to celebrate diversity has resulted in the degradation of the American melting pot, the concept that our nation of people from diverse backgrounds is strengthened when combined to become a homogenous unit called Americans."

## McDonald's Promotes Learning English



McDonald's recently announced that it is increasing its investment in employees' education, including the opportunity to learn English as a second language.

McDonald's will be investing \$150 million in its "Archways to Opportunity" global education program, which includes the "English Under The Arches" ("EUA") language learning program specifically designed for its managers and manager trainees.

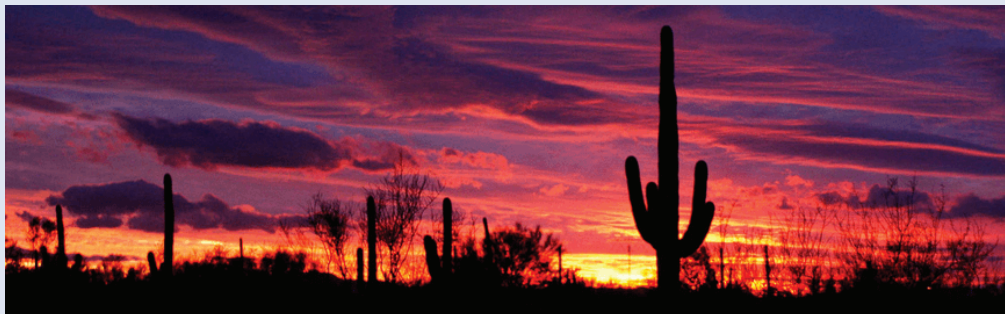
McDonald's first developed EUA through a series of pilots in 2007, and in recent years the company has found that in order to continue helping some employees take on more responsibilities, it must help them improve their English language skills. The EUA program currently operates in over 30 sites around the country and is expected to expand in coming years. EUA courses include Shift Basics, Shift Conversation, Shift Writing, and Conducting Performance Reviews.

On average, 86% of EUA students have progressed one or more English language levels after completing each conversation course, and since the program began in 2007 over 95% of participants who completed an EUA course have received a pay raise due to the increased responsibilities they are able to take on.

ProEnglish first reported about McDonald's and its EUA program last year.



## Arizona Legislature Passes English-Only Insurance Contract Bill



Insurance contracts written in English will be the only legally-binding version of agreements between companies and customers in Arizona under a bill approved by the state legislature.

Arizona House Bill 2083 makes the English version of home, life, and automobile policies the valid contract in the event of a dispute.

The bill passed the Arizona Senate, 17-11, on a party-line vote with Republicans in support, and was signed by Governor Doug Ducey.

## Official English Is Campaign Issue In Baltimore County

State Del. Pat McDonough has pledged to make English the official language of Baltimore County in Maryland as part of his campaign for county executive.

McDonough has advocated for official English in the state of Maryland in the past, and now he is pushing the idea locally in the Republican primary campaign for county executive. McDonough has stated that he would use an executive order or an ordinance in his bid for official English in Baltimore County.

McDonough also wants to create a commission “to study the amount of taxpayers money spent in the education system on non-English speaking students.”

McDonough observed, “We’re trying to save money, and one of the ways we can save it is to not become multi-cultural government. It’s an economic initiative. It has nothing to do with their culture or their country of origin.”



## MGM Offers Free English Classes



Casino company MGM is partnering with Springfield (Massachusetts) Technical Community College to offer free English classes in advance of the scheduled August 24, 2018, opening of its new casino called MGM Springfield.

MGM lists English language proficiency as a requirement for many jobs at the new MGM Springfield casino.

The 30-hour “English in the Workplace” training program is meant for anyone, and of course particularly for future MGM Springfield employees, interested in improving their English language skills.

Marikate Mullen, MGM Springfield’s Vice President of Human Resources, remarked that the free classes “can enhance the skills of local job seekers” and Mullen further encouraged “anyone interested in improving their English language skills to take advantage of this timely opportunity.”



## English Is A Key Component Of Worldwide Aviation Safety

For many years the International Civil Aviation Organization (“ICAO”) has promoted services to help its Member States more accurately assess the English language speaking and listening abilities of pilots and air traffic controllers in an effort to further improve aviation safety worldwide in day-to-day air transport operations.

English language test service providers all around the world can apply for and receive an endorsement for tests that rate proficiency in English used in aviation according to ICAO requirements.

ICAO has done this in response to past fatal aviation accidents in which the lack of proficiency in English was identified as a contributing factor.

Specifically, ICAO wants to ensure that pilots and air traffic personnel are proficient in conducting and comprehending radiotelephony communications in the English language, including requirements that the English language shall be available on request at all stations on the ground serving designated airports and routes used by international air services.

ICAO developed the endorsement service in partnership with



other recognized international professional aviation associations including the International Federation of Air Line Pilots’ Associations (“IFALPA”), the International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers’ Associations (“IFATCA”), the International Language Testing Association (“ILTA”), and the International Civil Aviation English Association (“ICAEA”).

If English is important enough to be the official language of the friendly skies all over the world, then isn’t English important enough to be the official language of the United States?

## Why Voters Should Be Required To Understand English



The American Thinker recently published an opinion piece that asked the question: “Should Voters Be Required to Understand English?”

The author of the column, Michael Bargo, Jr., answered the question with a resounding yes.

In his article, Bargo observed that “the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services states that someone who wants to become a naturalized citizen must ‘be over 18 years of age[;] have resided in the U.S. as a permanent green card resident for at least five years’; and be able to ‘read, write, and speak English.’”

Bargo furthered his argument by stating: “One may then reasonably ask why polling places are now required to have voting instructions and ballots in many foreign languages. If it’s a necessary requirement of naturalized citizenship to be able to read, write, and speak English, then why are Democratic-run sanctuary states bypassing this requirement and printing voter registration forms and ballots in foreign languages? After all, naturalized citizens must be able to speak, read, and write English, and no foreign-born person can vote unless he takes the time to apply for naturalization.”

## Jamie Dimon Wants Immigrants To Be Taught English



In the 2017 JPMorgan Chase & Co. Annual Report, Chairman and CEO Jamie Dimon made the following statement:

“[It] is unlikely the American public will feel comfortable with immigration if we don’t revert to some core principles. Immigrants should be coming here because they want to be part of our country and who we are as a people. America was an idea borne of freedom, with freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom of enterprise, and equality and opportunity.

People immigrating to this country should be taught American history, our language and our principles. The American public will not be pro-immigration if we don’t address these issues.”

ProEnglish is encouraged that Jamie Dimon seems to understand English’s historic role as America’s common, unifying language, and we appreciate his English language support in the 2017 JPMorgan Chase & Co. Annual Report, and we hope that Dimon continues to use his influence to advocate in robust fashion for immigrants to be taught English.



## Tucker Carlson Wants English To Be The Official Language Of The United States



A recent lawsuit against Albertsons alleged that the supermarket company violated federal law by prohibiting employees from speaking Spanish, and the litigation caused Fox News host Tucker Carlson to question why English is not the official language of the United States.

The United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) lawsuit claimed that Albertsons created a hostile work environment for Latino employees in San Diego, California, and also subjected them to harassment by reprimanding them when they spoke Spanish, even if they were on break or if they were conversing with Spanish-language customers.

Carlson called that an “insane interpretation” by the EEOC. Carlson added that not having English as the official language of the United States was “one of our core weaknesses.”

Carlson stated, “Is there a single country in the world you know of, that’s bilingual or multilingual, that’s not at war with itself?”

Carlson concluded, “Why wouldn’t you want your whole country to speak one language? Why is that bad? Isn’t that the goal?”

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## Breitbart News Daily Features ProEnglish On SiriusXM Patriot

Breitbart News Deputy Political Editor Amanda House recently interviewed ProEnglish Executive Director Stephen Guschov on Breitbart News Daily on SiriusXM Patriot.

House and Guschov discussed ProEnglish’s five White House meetings with aides to President Trump and Vice President Pence, and how ProEnglish is urging President Trump to sign a new Executive Order to repeal former President Clinton’s Executive Order 13166 that requires federal funding recipients to provide costly foreign language translation and interpretation services.

A Bush 43 administration study estimated that these additional, government-mandated foreign language translation and interpretation services cost American taxpayers more than \$2 billion a year.



House and Guschov also discussed the progress of the English Language Unity Act in the U.S. House and Senate.

## National Review Rejects Bilingual Education



A recent opinion column by Jason Richwine in National Review cast extreme skepticism on the view that a bilingual education advantage exists.

Richwine called pro-bilingual education reports “shaky studies.” He added, “For years the debate over bilingual education hinged on our subjective preferences for assimilation versus multiculturalism.”

Richwine concluded his opinion piece by observing, “But the damage is already done, as English immersion is no longer the default pedagogy in the Golden State [of California].”

## Tsarizm Interviews ProEnglish Executive Director Stephen Guschov

Tsarizm Editor-in-Chief L. Todd Wood recently interviewed ProEnglish Executive Director Stephen Guschov. Tsarizm is a website that provides breaking news on Russia, the former Soviet republics, and Eastern Europe. Tsarizm has reporters located in all of these countries, and has noticed a significant increase in the number of people in Russia, the former Soviet republics, and Eastern Europe who have become proficient in English, particularly given the fact that English is the international language of business, commerce, and

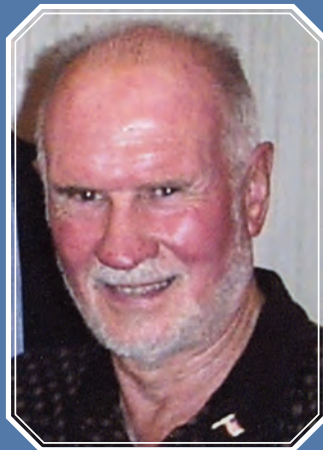


finance. As a result, the issue of official English legislation in the United States, and the fact that English is not the official language of the United States right now, are subjects of great interest to Tsarizm followers throughout Russia, the former Soviet republics, and Eastern Europe.

In the Tsarizm interview, Wood and Guschov discussed a wide variety of topics, including cultural assimilation, the English Language Unity Act, the RAISE Act, a repeal of former President Clinton’s Executive Order 13166 by President Trump, and the various White House meetings that ProEnglish has had in recent days with key aides to both President Trump and Vice President Pence.

Watch the Tsarizm interview at this link: <https://tsarizm.com/videos/2018/03/03/pro-english-interview/>

# ProEnglish Pays Tribute To Bob Park



Former ProEnglish Board of Directors Chairman Bob Park passed away on March 11 at age 89. We celebrate his life and we honor his service and his memory by offering the following three tributes to him.

**ROSALIE PEDALINO PORTER, ED.D., CHAIR, PROENGLISH BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Bob Park is revered among proponents who firmly believe the English language should be nationally enacted by the U.S. Congress as the official language of government. Bob stood strong on this issue as long as I've known him, since the dim days of yesteryear (the 1990s), before ProEnglish had yet formed, through our years together on the ProEnglish Board of Directors since 2005. He led our Board with wisdom, patience, and talent.

**GERDA BIKALES, PAST AND FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE PROENGLISH BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR**

The passing of Bob Park has greatly saddened me. Bob had spent much of his career in the U.S. Immigration Service, including long as a Border Patrolman. He was aware of the difficulties and frustrations inherent in guarding the border – not least of them the lack of serious support within the political power structure.

It should have been clear – the integrity of our country's borders was easily breached, over time admitting hundreds of thousands of illegal immigrants who competed for jobs and benefits with Americans and legal newcomers – yet it was largely ignored. Some ethnic leaders, wanting to grow their numbers, joined the well-financed open-borders interests that benefitted from the influx of cheap and compliant labor. They managed to obfuscate the rhetoric and to stymie rational reform efforts.

In retirement, Bob spoke up. He was not timid, "he told it as it is." Bob became one of the early members of FAIR (Federation for American Immigration Reform), at the time a fledgling citizen reform organization dedicated to rational immigration policies. He became an eloquent activist within the new group. Among his contributions to the growing immigration reform movement were the border tours he conducted, which offered citizens an up-close view of the uncontrolled heavy traffic of people crossing our southern border.

I joined him on one of his tours, and though I was well informed on the immigration issue, I was nevertheless shocked by the wide eroded paths that ran across the fields, the result of the unceasing foot traffic of people crossing the border.

Bob joined me a few times in Washington, and we visited together some Congressional offices on Capitol Hill. He sometimes stayed at our house in Virginia, and we had some good wide-ranging talks.

Bob was a patriot. It would be hard to think of a greater compliment – or one he would have appreciated more.

**K.C. McALPIN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF US INC., FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PROENGLISH, AND MEMBER OF THE PROENGLISH BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Robert D. (Bob) Park, who passed away Mar. 11 at the age of 89, was an American

patriot, a father, husband, and a tireless fighter for preserving our nation's linguistic unity in the English language.

After a 30-year career with the U.S. Border Patrol, Bob retired and joined the board of US English when it was co-founded by John Tanton and the late U.S. Senator S.I. Hayakawa in 1983. He later left US English following a policy split within the organization, and together with Tanton and two other dissenting US English board members, Gerda Bikales and Leo Sorensen, joined the board of English Language Advocates (ELA) when it was created in 1993. ELA changed its name to ProEnglish in 2000.

Bob and his wife Lois settled in Prescott, Arizona. Bob founded Arizonans for Official English in 1987, and immediately launched a petition campaign to put an official English amendment to Arizona's constitution on the ballot the following year. Almost singlehandedly, Bob organized an army of 1,000 volunteer petition circulators, gathered thousands of petition signatures himself, and gathered more qualifying signatures than any previous ballot proposition in Arizona's history.

The amendment was approved by the voters in 1988, despite being denounced and opposed by Arizona's U.S. Senator John McCain, Arizona Governor Rose Mofford, the Arizona Chamber of Commerce, the state's AFL-CIO, the ACLU, the teachers' unions, the state's major newspapers, and virtually every organized interest group in the state. However, in a revealing demonstration of political elites' control over the courts, the amendment was blocked by a federal judge for violating the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

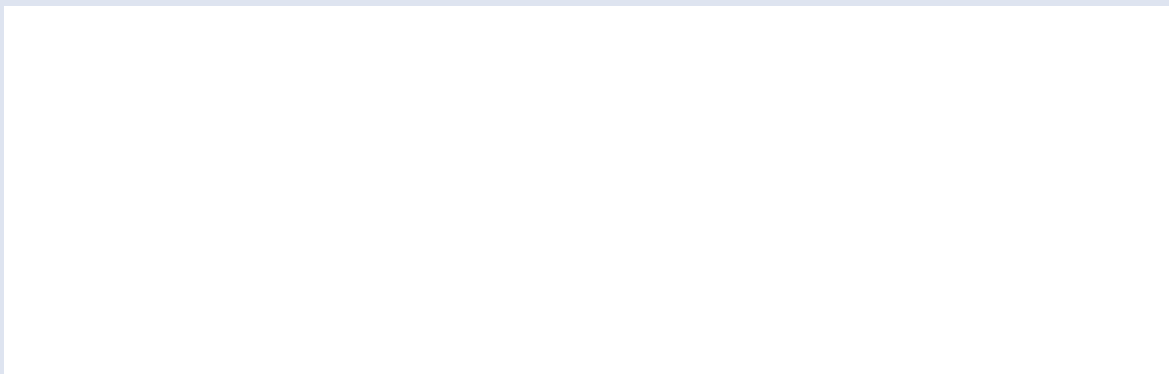
After Gov. Mofford refused to appeal the judge's decision, Arizonans for Official English (AOE) intervened to defend the people of Arizona's decision. The case went all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court where a unanimous court ruled for AOE in 1997, vacating the lower court rulings and establishing the right of states to designate an official language. But the judiciary wasn't finished squashing the will of the people, and a second lawsuit in state court succeeded in blocking the amendment for allegedly violating the Arizona State Constitution. Nevertheless, Bob had the last laugh when a second Arizona official English amendment was adopted by a landslide 74% margin in a 2006 statewide referendum, and the courts refused to intervene.

In 1998, Bob ran for U.S. Senator John McCain's seat as the Reform Party candidate. Despite having almost no money to campaign with, Bob polled a respectable 2% vote in the general election, and had the opportunity to confront McCain in debates over McCain's opposition to official English and support for illegal alien amnesties.

In 2000, Bob succeeded Leo Sorensen as the chairman of ProEnglish's board of directors and served until he retired from the board in 2011. Under his chairmanship, ProEnglish was set on a firm financial footing and 7 additional states were added to the majority that have made English their official language, which now stands at 32. In addition, ProEnglish backed two successful English for the Children referendum campaigns that scrapped failed bilingual education programs in Arizona and Massachusetts.

Bob was a Coast Guard veteran, a member of the American Legion, the National Rifle Association, and past board member of United We Stand – Arizona. We, the staff and board of ProEnglish, will sorely miss him.

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**“We have but one flag; we must also learn one language, and that language is English.”**

- President Theodore Roosevelt



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