

The Honorable John R. Lewis
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“Right to Dissent”

The Honorable John R. Lewis explains the importance of protest in the political process.

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Well, I think it's important for Members of Congress to see, to observe what people did by exercising their constitutional right. You have a right to protest, a right to dissent. You have a right to petition your government and we shouldn't be trying to limit that. We should be trying to do whatever we can to strengthen that.