



Utah Legislature



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Charlie Kirk

The Utah Legislature honors the life and service of Charlie Kirk and recognizes his influence on civic engagement, constitutional principles, and public discourse among young Americans.

Charlie Kirk was an advocate for family, liberty, and constitutional government. In 2012, he co-founded Turning Point USA to identify, educate, and organize students to promote fiscal responsibility, free markets, and limited government. Under his leadership, the organization grew from a small campus initiative into a nationwide network with thousands of chapters, including a strong presence throughout the state of Utah and at Utah Valley University.

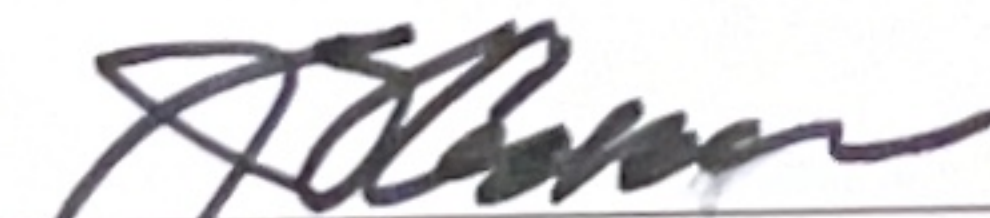
Charlie Kirk visited Utah Valley University on September 10, 2025, where he engaged students in civic dialogue and encouraged thoughtful participation in the American political process. His life was tragically cut short in an act of political violence that deeply affected communities across Utah and the nation.

Erika Kirk has been a steadfast partner in this work, offering leadership, encouragement, and personal examples to students and families across the country. In the face of profound loss, she has demonstrated remarkable faith, dignity, and strength, continuing to uphold the principles she and her husband championed.

In the wake of this tragedy, the Turning Point USA chapter at Utah Valley University, along with chapters across the state, has continued forward with resilience and purpose. These students have committed themselves to promoting civil discourse, thoughtful engagement, and principled leadership, carrying forward a legacy of service to their peers and their communities.

At a time when meaningful dialogue and civic understanding are more important than ever, the example set by Charlie Kirk and those who continue his work serves as a reminder that one individual can inspire lasting impact through conviction, compassion, and a commitment to respectful discourse.


Now, therefore, be it known on this 23rd day of February 2026, the Utah Legislature honors the life and service of Charlie Kirk, expresses sincere appreciation and support to Erika Kirk, and recognizes the ongoing efforts of Turning Point USA chapters throughout Utah, including the Utah Valley University chapter, for fostering civic engagement and constitutional principles among young Utahns.



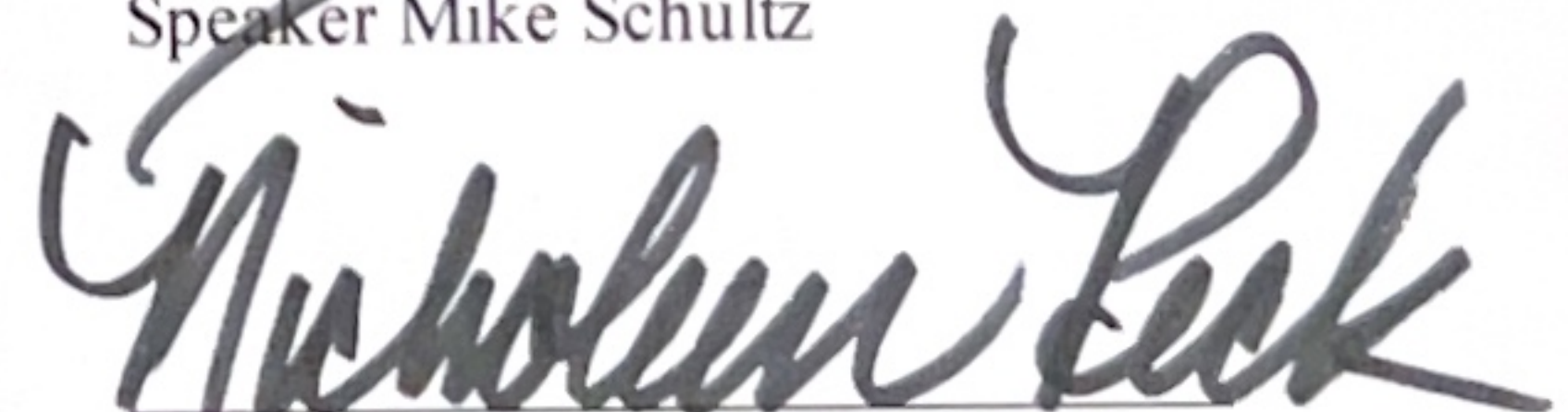
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