

McCarthy Considers Suicide on Advice of Colleagues

Told he will have the votes to become House Speaker if he reincarnates as a sock puppet

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Patrick McHenry, R-N.C., left, and Tom Emmer, R-Minn., right, huddle with Kevin McCarthy, R-Dork., as they try to persuade him to strangle himself with his own hands so they can say nice things about him at his funeral.

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WASHINGTON (YU) - Two concerned House Republicans made a valiant effort today to save their party from any further embarrassment when they urged embattled Rep. Kevin McCarthy to forget about withdrawing his name for Speaker of the House and just commit suicide instead.

Rep. Patrick McHenry, R-N.C., and Rep. Tom Emmer, R-Minn., flanked McCarthy in the House chamber and encouraged the feckless nominee to do himself in. “If you strangle yourself we can all save face,” Rep. McHenry pleaded with McCarthy. “It’s easy. Just put your hands around your neck and squeeze out what little air you have left. We’ll finish the job after you pass out.”

At one point, as McCarthy gestured toward his neck with both hands and then hesitated, Rep. Emmer whispered, “Maybe we should help him?”

A spokesventriloquist for Shari Lewis was unavailable for comment.

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