THREE TIMES DONALD TRUMP TREATED VEHICULAR MANSLAUGHTER AS TERRORISM

Donald Trump gave the weakest statement on Charlottesville today, even going so far as calling on Americans to "cherish our history," in response to a Nazi mob responding to the removal of Confederate symbols.

[W]e're closely following the terrible events unfolding in Charlottesville, Virginia. We condemn in the strongest possible terms this egregious display of hatred, bigotry and violence, on many sides. On many sides. It's been going on for a long time in our country. Not Donald Trump, not Barack Obama. This has been going on for a long, long time.

It has no place in America. What is vital now is a swift restoration of law and order and the protection of innocent lives. No citizen should ever fear for their safety and security in our society, and no child should ever be afraid to go outside and play, or be with their parents, and have a good time.

[snip]

I want to salute the great work of the state and local police in Virginia — incredible people — law enforcement, incredible people — and also the National Guard. They've really been working smart and working hard. They've been doing a terrific job. The federal authorities are also providing tremendous support to the governor. He thanked me for that. And we are here to

provide whatever other assistance is needed. We are ready, willing, and able.

Above all else, we must remember this truth: No matter our color, creed, religion or political party, we are all Americans first. We love our country. We love our God. We love our flag. We're proud of our country. We're proud of who we are. So we want to get the situation straightened out in Charlottesville, and we want to study it. And we want to see what we're doing wrong as a country, where things like this can happen.

My administration is restoring the sacred bonds of loyalty between this nation and its citizens, but our citizens must also restore the bonds of trust and loyalty between one another. We must love each other, respect each other, and cherish our history and our future together. So important. We have to respect each other. Ideally, we have to love each other. [my emphasis]

In spite of the attack on counter-protestors — a tactic borrowed from ISIS terrorists in Europe — Trump didn't label this terrorism or even call out the white supremacist violence.

Which is curious, because on at least three occasions he treated vehicular manslaughter as terrorism. He did it with Nice.



The United States mourns for the victims of Nice, France. We pledge our solidarity with France against terror.



Emmanuel Macron

9:39am · 14 Jul 2017 · Twitter for iPhone

He accused London Mayor Sadiq Khan of blowing off the London Bridge terrorist attack.



At least 7 dead and 48 wounded in terror attack and Mayor of London says there is "no reason to be alarmed!"

7:31am · 4 Jun 2017 · Twitter for iPhone

And he demanded the "civilized world" change its thinking in response, in part, to the Berlin truck attack.



Today there were terror attacks in Turkey, Switzerland and Germany - and it is only getting worse. The civilized world must change thinking!

6:21pm · 19 Dec 2016 · Twitter for Android

I guess Trump has lost his interest in civilization now?