

Before pressing ahead with our headline topics in this Sunday Weekly MHVille Recap, let's briefly pause to consider several national and international developments that have occurred or been reported in the last few days. In no particular order of importance are the following.

The so-called "Big Beautiful Bill" passed a key procedural vote last night in the Senate. While the final form of that funding and legislation won't be known until the sausage making process is completed, there are reasons to believe that the President Donald J. Trump (R) and Vice President J.D. Vance backed plan (R) in the next week or two it will be enacted.

The stock markets hit record highs.

Inflation seems to be falling.

Thus far there is a lack of evidence that tariffs are fueling inflation. It appears that exporters are to a significant degree 'eating' tariff costs aiming to keep market share in the U.S.

Incomes (pay) is increasing faster than inflation.

Consumer confidence is rising.

The Supreme Court has apparently handed the Trump Administration several legal victories that include potentially curtailing nationwide injunctions. If so, a key tool used by Democrats to stop or slow Trump policies is limited and/or closed.

Peace has been declared in a 3-decade long conflict between Rwanda and the Congo.

Despite Iran's leader declaring victory over the U.S. and Israel, an Iranian official said their government wants compensation for their seriously damaged nuclear program. Other international and domestic sources also seem to support the claim that the B2 bunker buster bomb strikes, and related Tomahawk missiles, achieved the goal of stopping (at least for now) the Iranian nuclear weapons program. So, while anti-Trump or left-leaning voices slammed the effectiveness or legality of that raid on Fordo and other Iranian sites, at least the short-term goal may have been beneficial, even if unrest in Iran and that regime remain in place. Arrests have been reported in Iran in an apparent attempt to thwart dissent.

There is certainly much to do. But in less than 6 months in office, the border crisis has also been largely tamed. Deportations of so-called criminal illegal immigrants are underway. Some have estimated that perhaps a million illegal immigrants have self-deported, based in part upon shifting jobs data that indicates that native-born employment in the U.S. rose while foreign born employment numbers dropped.

These are economic, political, and related dynamics that are at play in the for 5.5 months of the Trump Administration. What these may mean for manufactured housing is not yet clear.