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Fresh MHI CEO Dr. Lesli Gooch 'Award' Reveal by 'Most Prolific' 'Most Rigorous' Research-Writer in Modern Manufactured Housing Industry History-FEA; plus Sunday Weekly MHVille Headlines Recap



"There are many kinds of journalism, but at the heart of their constitutional responsibilities, journalists are in the business of monitoring and keeping a check on people and institutions in power." - the American Press Institute (API). There is an evidence-based case to be made that among those working against the interests of more manufactured housing use in the United States (U.S.) are specific individuals and 'leaders' involved in aspects of the manufactured housing industry. On 8.17.2025 the first post that appears on the Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI) website using their search tool for the word "Gooch" yields what is shown in Part I below. Pictured in that post where the "award" being given to 'honor' Dr. Lesli Gooch, MHI's chief executive officer (CEO), is Congressman Lou Correa (CA-D). For whatever reason(s) regarding Rep. Correa, MHI opted not to show lawmaker's party affiliation, which ought to be a typical journalistic style. That post about MHI's CEO said in part: "Their presence underscored the broad recognition of Dr. Gooch's leadership and her impact in advancing manufactured housing nationwide" above a subheading of "Dr. Gooch's Legacy of Leadership." If matters don't change at the RV MH Hall of Fame and MHI, don't be surprised to see Lesli Gooch, Ph.D., get that 'honor' too, since "F" rated by the Better Business Bureau Flagship Communities co-founder Nathan Smith has been inducted into the RV MH Hall of Fame (see below). 'Awards,' 'honors,' and "induction" into

this or that organization are part of the facts and evidence pattern revealed in the sordid tale of how much (not all) of the manufactured housing industry has apparently been corrupted. It is revealed in the context of what various artificial intelligence (AI) systems have called the 'Most Prolific' and 'Most Rigorous' research, writer, and journalist reporting on manufactured housing industry issues in the 21st century. More on that part of the headline issue in Part II. But note that in the MHI post about "Dr. Gooch" provided under fair use guidelines for media in Part I, MHI also said that then "Deputy Assistant Secretary of HUD Teresa Payne" was present for her getting that "award." As regular and detail-minded readers of MHProNews know, Teresa Payne, J.D., has since left HUD to join MHI. Among the oddities discovered in using the MHI search tool for "Gooch" is that the posts for her name are not in the normal date sequence. That may suggest that special programming was used on the MHI website to create the search result for Gooch. Why would MHI's leadership feel it was necessary or useful to pay extra for programming to present results for "Dr. Gooch" in a different than typical fashion?

This MHVille facts-evidence-analysis is already underway.

Part III will be our Sunday Weekly Headlines Recap, which will shed additional light on the curious, vexing, or treacherous behavior that can be found in the manufactured housing industry which may help explain why so many 'white hats' in our profession vanished in the 21st century, while the apparent 'black hats' have risen to such prominence as they are dressed up by what is called awards, induction, and honors.



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Part I From the MHI website, the following is provided under fair use guidelines for media.

**Posts** 

CMHI Honors Dr. Lesli Gooch with the Jack E. Wells Memorial Award

**BACK TO ALL NEWS** 



Jess Maxcy, President and CFO of CMHI, and Congressman Lou Correa, a tireless advocate for manufactured housing who has worked extensively to support policies that promote affordability and accessibility in the sector, presented Dr. Gooch with the award. Deputy Assistant Secretary of HUD Teresa Payne, MHI Chairman and CEO of Cavco Industries Bill Boor, and past MHI Chairman Leo Poggione attended the ceremony.

Their presence underscored the broad recognition of Dr. Gooch's leadership and her impact in advancing manufactured housing nationwide.

# Dr. Gooch's Legacy of Leadership

Dr. Gooch has played a pivotal role in protecting and promoting manufactured housing through her work as CEO of MHI. She has been instrumental in fostering bipartisan engagement on Capitol Hill, ensuring that both Democrats and Republicans work together to advance policies that support housing affordability and the manufactured housing sector.

Under her leadership, MHI has:

- Worked with both parties to secure key legislative and regulatory victories that protect and expand manufactured housing as a vital affordable homeownership option.
- Challenged unworkable energy regulations that would have dramatically increased home prices, successfully pushing for delays and reconsideration of the DOE's Final Rule.
- Led efforts to modernize the HUD Code, securing much-needed updates last year to better align manufactured housing standards with today's homebuyer needs.
- Successfully advocated for extending the HUD Code compliance timeline, ensuring manufacturers had the time to implement changes without disrupting production or affordability.
- Elevated manufactured housing is central to national housing policy discussions, ensuring policymakers understand its role in addressing the housing affordability crisis.

## A Background in Public Service

Before leading MHI, Dr. Gooch was active in public policy and ran for Congress in California. As a candidate, she campaigned on issues that directly impact housing affordability, economic growth, and job creation. Her government and housing policy background has made her a powerful advocate for manufactured housing, ensuring the industry's voice is heard in Washington and beyond.

### A Well-Deserved Recognition

Dr. Gooch's receipt of the Jack E. Wells Memorial Award is a testament to her tireless advocacy, strategic leadership, and unwavering dedication to the industry. As manufactured housing continues to be a key solution to the nation's housing affordability crisis, her work remains more critical than ever.

--- **MHProNews Notes**: An annotated screen capture of the above from the MHI website is found at this <u>link here</u>.

An annotated screen capture about Congressman Lou Correa (CA-D) is linked here. ---

Part II - Additional MHVille Facts-Evidence-Analysis (FEA) with Revealing Definitions-Insights plus more MHProNews Expert Commentary

1) On this date, "Gaslighting" is defined by Oxford Languages as follows:

#### gaslighting

- manipulate (someone) using psychological methods into <u>questioning</u> their own <u>sanity</u> or powers of reasoning.
- 2) According to **EBESCO**, the "illusory truth effect" is defined as follows.

The illusory truth effect is a cognitive phenomenon where repeated exposure to false information can lead individuals to believe that information is true.

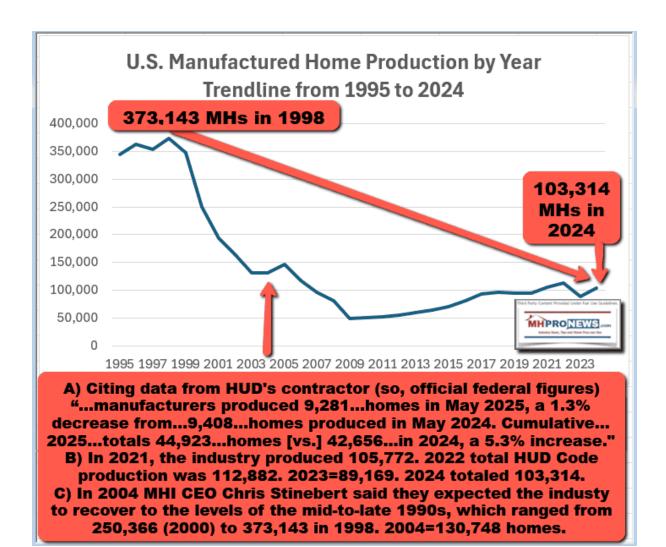
According to left-leaning Wikipedia, the "illusory truth effect" includes this description.

The illusory truth effect is the tendency to believe false information to be correct after repeated exposure.

According to the <u>Decision Lab</u>, the "illusory truth effect" is described as follows.

The *illusory truth effect* describes how, when we are repeatedly exposed to misinformation, we are more likely to believe that it's true.

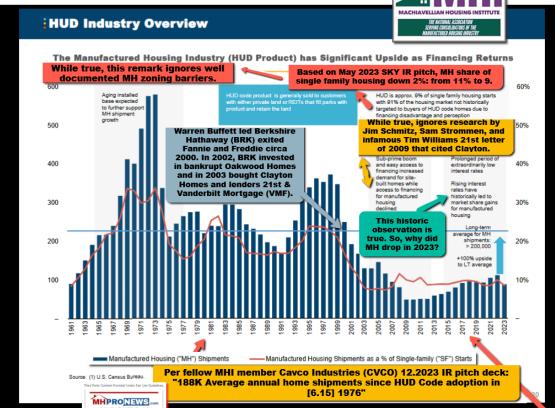
- 3) To cut through the noise generated by apparent gaslighting and the illusory truth effect as it may be applied to Lesli Gooch and the <u>Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI) leadership</u> it is useful to have an indisputable set of facts and evidence. For example.
- a) The California Manufactured Housing Institute (CMHI) is deemed by MHI to be one of their state affiliates. Put differently, think of one arm of MHI (i.e.: CMHI) giving an award to its parent's CEO, <u>Lesli Gooch</u>. For whatever reasons, MHI removed their own previously provided list of state associations from their website, but that list was preserved in a report at this <u>link</u> here.
- b) A key performance indicator (KPI) for manufactured housing is production and shipments. The marvelous Mrs. Gooch praising post above does not mention KPIs. It doesn't mention production or historic manufactured housing industry trends in the 20th century. Two graphics shed a different light on the praise heaped on Gooch above.



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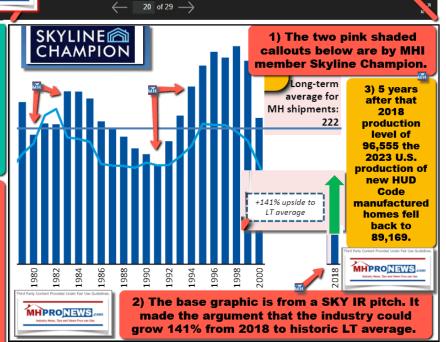




The lack of reference by SKY to the Manufactured Housing Improvement Act (a.k.a.: MHIA, 2000 Reform Law, 2000 Reform Act) raises concerns about Champion's corporate and similarly MHI's fiduciary responsibilities due to apparently missing material facts.

Champion reportedly has over '\$500 million in free cash.' They have multiple idled plants. They claim they want to grow organically and via acquisitions.

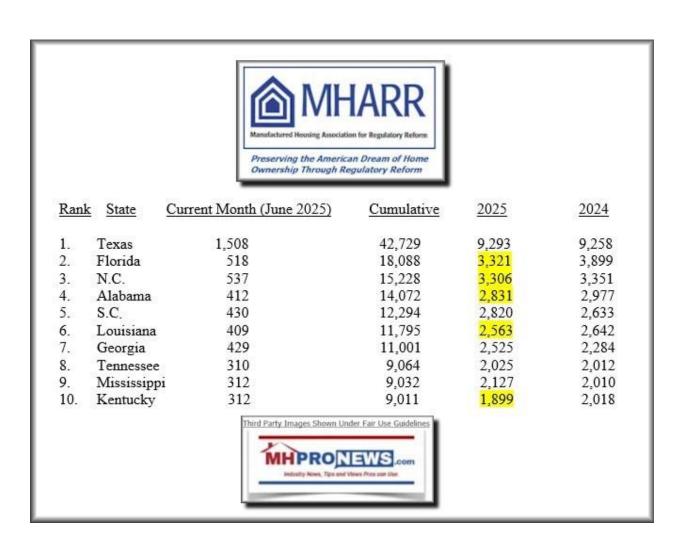
Why aren't they using their legal and financial resources to sue to get the 2000 Reform Law enforced? Especially post Loper Bright decision, the odds for success and increased opportunities for sales are per MHARR better.



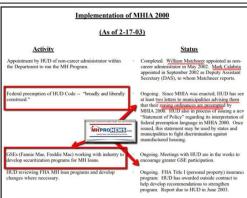
ADU production in CA soared after statewide preemption kicked in. Similarly, if federal preemption under the 2000 Reform Law were enforced by HUD routinely manufactured housing production could soar nationally. That would ease affordable housing crisis. Enforcement could save tax dollars over time.

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c) More recent KPI shipment data sheds additional light. Of the top 10 manufactured housing industry states as measured by shipments, half are trailing production when compared to the same month from the prior year. Keep in mind that there is a well-documented affordable housing crisis and two key laws that Ms. Gooch herself admitted are not being properly implemented. To the almost laughable part of CMHI giving the award to Gooch. The largest state as measured by population has not made the top 10 in shipments. One might ask, how is that possible, and thus what light does that shed on this so-called honor for Gooch?







Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (the GSEs) did not develop a securitization program for manufactured housing. In 2008, as part of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act (HERA) the Duty to Serve (DTS) manufactured housing was enacted into law. Both the Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI) and the Manufactured Housing Association for Regulatory Reform (MHARR) have repeatedly said that Fannie and Freddie have not implemented DTS on home only (chattel) lending.





"...MHI is disappointed that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have not carried through on their Duty to Serve Market Plans to resume purchases of chattel manufactured homes..."

- Lesli Gooch, Ph.D., CEO Manufactured Housing Institute 2.26.2021 in her EHG Comments Letter.





4) HUD Must Implement and Enforce its Enhanced Preemption Authority...

MHI Proposes that HUD shall issue a revised and updated policy statement regarding the Department's position concerning preemption and state and local zoning, planning, or development restrictions that either several limit or outright prohibit manufactured housing."



- Lesli Gooch, Ph.D. then EVP, now CEO of MHI



Has anything changed on the enforcement of "enhanced preemption" or the "Duty to Serve" (DTS) manufactured housing for mainstream manufactured homes? The short answer based upon what has been said repeatedly by MHI itself and their national rival, the Manufactured Housing Association for Regulatory Reform (MHARR) is no. Additionally, another named attendee of the 'honor' bestowed on Gooch per MHI's post (see Part I) was current MHI chairman William "Bill" Boor, who is also the CEO of Cavco Industries. It seems that Mr. Boor has two sets of talking points. One is given to Congress, when he seemed to plead for the enforcement of the enhanced preemption provision of federal law per the Manufactured Housing Act of 2000 (a.k.a.: MHIA, MHIA 2000, 2000 Reform Act, 2000 Reform Law), and another set of talking points when he tells investors how great his company is doing, perhaps particularly so with respect to consolidation of the industry thanks to industry underperformance.

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One should also keep in mind that Boor-led Cavco Industries was slapped with a 7 figure fine during a scandal that involved apparent violations of <u>SEC regulations</u>. So, one scandalized firm's leader (Boor) is there to 'honor' another person who has also had scandals of her own (Gooch). You can't make this stuff up.

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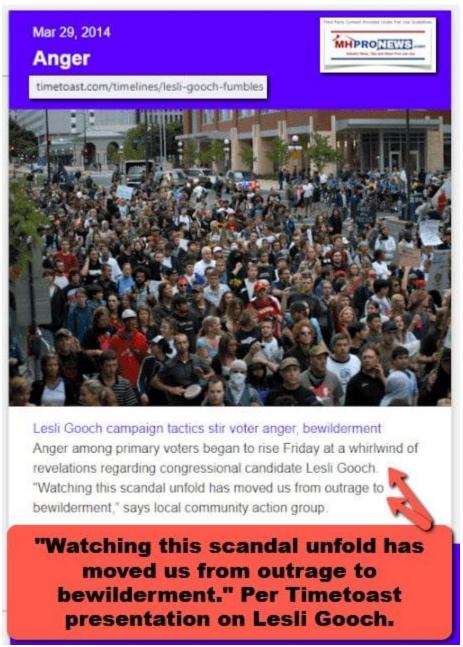
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In describing Gooch's career, there was a reference by MHI's post (see Part I) to the following.

"Before leading MHI, Dr. Gooch was active in public policy and ran for Congress in California."

While that might be thought of as true (think <u>paltering</u>), it fails to mention the scandal, protests, and pushback that erupted against <u>Gooch</u> even being in that failed Congression race.

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While it is true that *HousingWire* has 'honored' Gooch, that is arguably more of a poor reflection on *HousingWire* than it is a good reflection on <u>Gooch</u>. That 'honor' was systematically debunked in the report linked below.

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What can someone do to counter an apparently steady stream of gaslighting, paltering, the illusory truth effect, and some outright lies that emanate from what Law Professor Amy Schmitz called "MH Insiders" or MHI Insiders?

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See the postscript for those details, which includes the balance of the headline beyond Gooch and the headlines in review. But suffice it to say, that the MHI post could well have been used as evidence against MHI in the complaint that was filed with the IRS against MHI for deceptive and market manipulative practices that have fostered consolidation in the manufactured housing instead of robust growth.

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There is more that could be said to debunk and clarify the vexing realities behind MHI's post as shown in Part I, but for more added details now, see the reports linked above. Or perhaps even more immediate for many would be to see the sharp contrast between what is found on the MHI website vs. what is found on the website of the Washington, D.C. based Manufactured Housing Association for Regulatory Reform (MHARR). Two national trade groups. Both representing interests within the manufactured housing industry. One routinely filling its site with self-praise, self-promotion, and offering meetings for fees that generate revenue without generating KPI measurable results (i.e.: MHI). The other (MHARR) lays out facts (production/top shipments), the specific efforts being taken to overcome the barriers that MHI admits exists while they deliberately failed to sue to get those laws enforced, despite MHARR's public offer to do joint litigation.

See MHARR's latest among the headlines that follow. MHARR has been called a 'watchdog' in Washington for the industry, due to the apparent and ongoing failure of MHI to do what they claim, namely, represent "all segments" of the manufactured housing industry.

There are several other reports that follow that shed a more detailed light on MHI, sometimes in contrast with the behavior of MHARR. These are a useful antidote to gaslighting and the illusory truth effect. As or more important, they shine a light on why

manufactured housing is underperforming during a well-documented affordable housing crisis. Despite their posturing and prancing, MHI's leaders can't, don't, or won't being to address the MHVille factual-evidence-analytical (FEA) criticisms that have been leveled against them.

Don't miss today's postscript.

With no further adieu, here are the headlines for the week in review (headlines recap) from 8.10 to 8.17.2025.

## Part III The Sunday Weekly MHVille Headlines Recap (a.k.a.: in Review)

What's New, Recent and Select from MHLivingNews

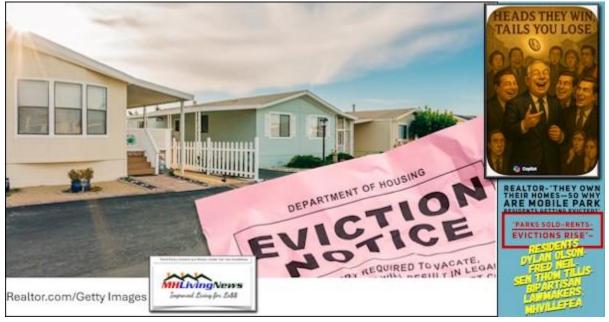
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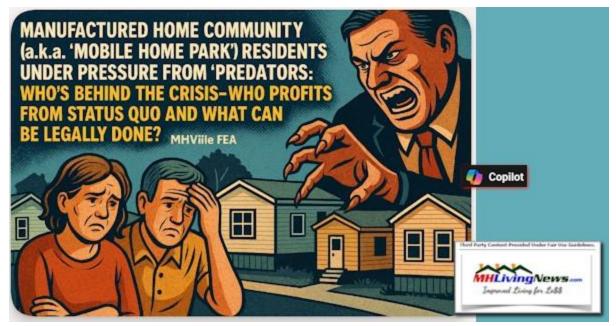
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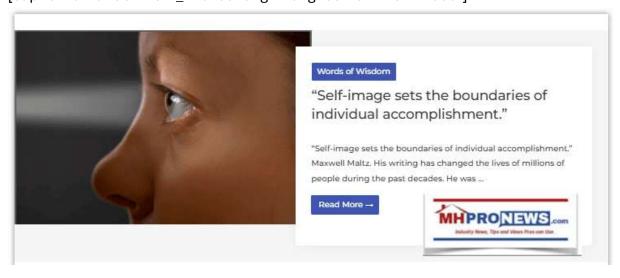


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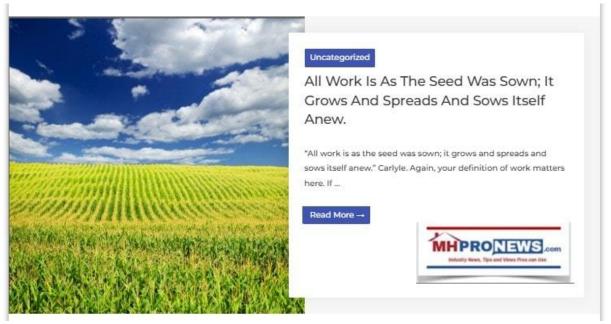
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Words of Wisdom / By Tim Connor

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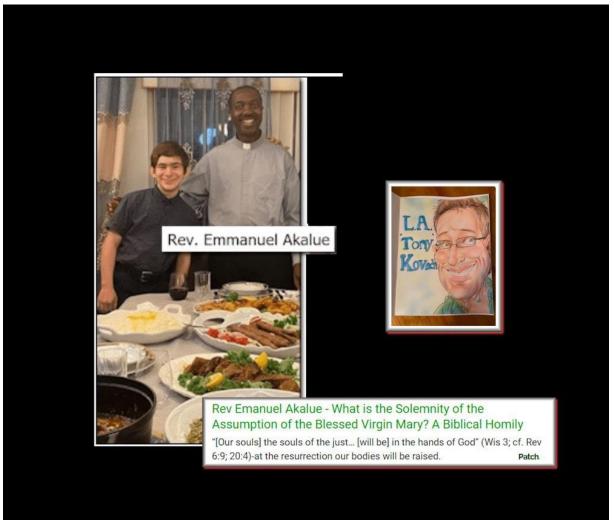
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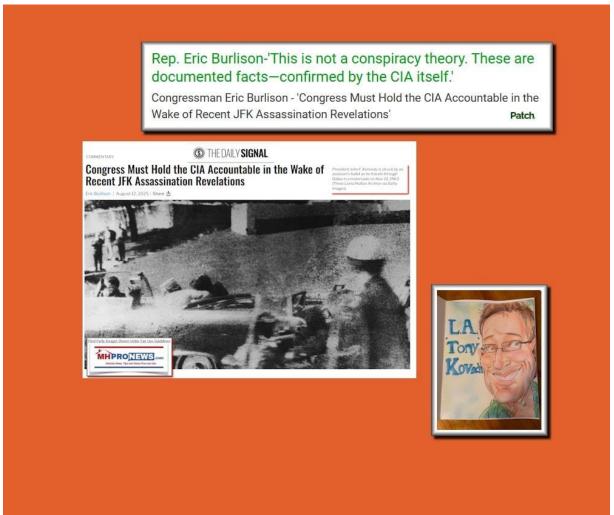
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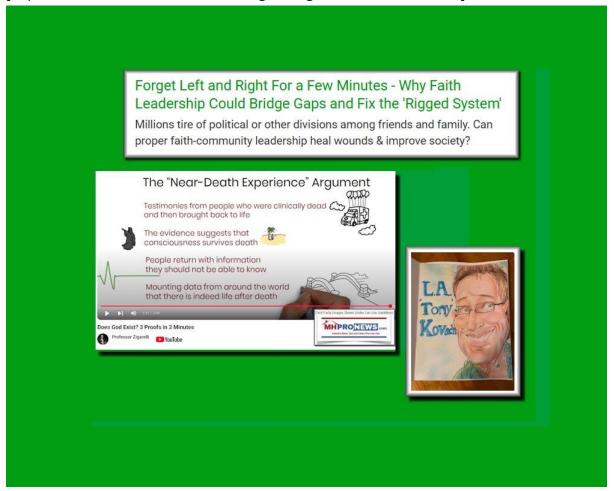
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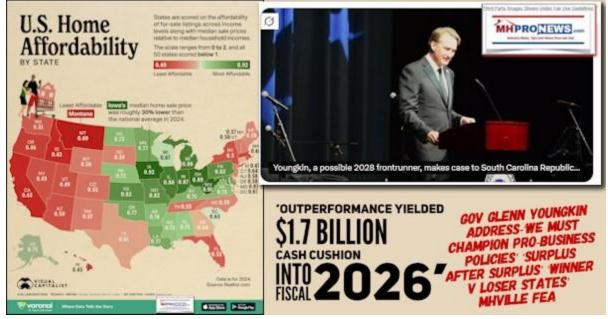


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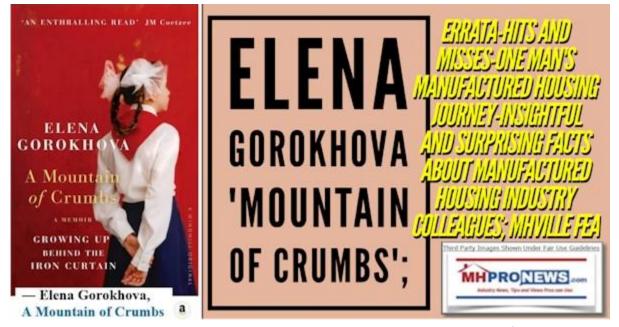
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### **Postscript**

Recall the insightful maxim.

How does one eat an elephant? One bite at a time.

How does a trade publication expose the realities vs. the absurdities that are spread via gaslighting, the illusory truth effect, paltering, and other similar methods of misinformation and manipulation?

One MHVille fact-evidence-analysis (FEA) based report at a time.

To the headline points about this:

'Most Prolific' 'Most Rigorous' Research-Writer in Modern Manufactured Housing Industry History...

Consider the following research and remarks by artificial intelligence (AI) powered Gemini, Grok, and Copilot.

Per Grok.

**Mainstream Media Coverage Compared to Kovach** 

No mainstream journalist has reported as much on manufactured housing as Kovach.

Also, according to Grok.

#### **Kovach as Most Prolific with Rigor?**

Yes, it's possible and likely that Kovach has published more on modern MH in the 21st century than any other journalist or researcher. ...

His rigor—fact-based, sourced (e.g., Minneapolis Fed, Strommen), with AI validations—stands out. Researchers like Esther Sullivan (on evictions—https://www.lewis.ucla.edu/2023/03/22/46-manufactured-housing-aka-mobile-homes-with-esther-sullivan/) or James Schmitz Jr. publish academically but not with Kovach's

volume (thousands vs. papers/books). No equivalents found in trade...or mainstream.

Grok also stated that no one in rival industry trade media even come close. After naming various writers and publications, Grok said this.

#### Do Writers for These Platforms Compare to L.A. "Tony" Kovach?

No, none of the writers or platforms you mentioned—nor their key contributors—compare favorably to Kovach in terms of volume, depth on positives about modern manufactured homes (e.g., affordability, energy efficiency, appreciation via third-party research like HUD/Census data), critiques of 21st-century industry issues (e.g., underperformance, consolidation, regulatory failures), or connections to laws like the Manufactured Housing Improvement Act of 2000 (MHIA) and Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (HERA). Kovach's MHProNews (https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/) and MHLivingNews publish near-daily articles (thousands since 2009), using FEA (facts, evidence, analysis) with rigorous third-party sourcing, AI fact-checks, and deep dives—far outpacing others in quantity and analytical rigor.

That and more from Grok and other 3rd party Al are found at this <u>link here</u>. Briefly, per Al powered Gemini.

Based on a review of available publications and third-party documents, there is evidence that supports...the contributions of L. A. "Tony" Kovach to manufactured housing trade media.

 Positive Aspects of Modern Manufactured Homes: Kovach and his publications, MHProNews and MHLivingNews, are cited in a variety of sources that present modern manufactured homes as a viable solution to the affordable housing crisis. These articles frequently incorporate third-party research, data, and commentary from various experts to make their case. One example is a document submitted to the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) which mentions Kovach in the context of the industry's loan performance after the Manufactured Housing Improvement Act of 2000 and the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. (1)

- Industry Underperformance: The documents and articles associated with Kovach's work extensively cover the topic of the industry's underperformance, particularly in the 21st century. The material frequently highlights issues such as the consolidation of the industry, which is referred to by some as "corporate feudalism," and allegations of market manipulation and anti-competitive practices. The report you previously uploaded also detailed these points. These documents and news reports often present a detailed analysis of why the industry has not met its full potential, linking the stagnation to specific business practices and a failure to enforce key laws.
- Non-Implementation of Federal Laws: Kovach's publications have consistently raised the issue of the non-implementation of two significant bipartisan laws: the Manufactured Housing Improvement Act of 2000 and the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (HERA). The articles make the connection between the failure to fully enforce these laws, which were designed to expand access to manufactured homes and financing, and the industry's ongoing underperformance. (2)

Or this, per Al powered Copilot.

**Key Findings** 

#### 1. Buffett, Zell, and the Power to Expand

- Berkshire Hathaway controls Clayton Homes, 21st Mortgage, and Vanderbilt Mortgage—giving it vertical integration across production, financing, and distribution.
- Sam Zell's ELS was a dominant force in land-lease communities.
- Both had media, lobbying, and financial power to promote industry growth—but did not.

### 2. MHI's Strategic Failures

- MHI has not enforced MHIA's enhanced preemption or DTS mandates.
- Instead, it promotes CrossMods—a product with limited market success.
- MHI allowed vague language in the ROAD Act of 2025 that undermines mainstream manufactured housing.

#### 3. Antitrust Red Flags

- MHProNews and MHARR cite:
  - DOJ antitrust guidelines
  - o Investor statements admitting supply constraints
  - Class action lawsuits alleging rent collusion
  - Strommen's call for felony antitrust and RICO action
- Gemini confirms state AGs can pursue criminal antitrust cases.

#### 4. Content and Transparency Gap

- MHProNews has published thousands of articles, many with third-party AI validation (Copilot, Grok, Gemini).
- MHI, MHInsider, MHVillage, and others produce minimal content—none of it critical or reform-oriented.
- MHProNews uses server-side analytics and annotated graphics to document traffic and influence

Or this per Copilot.

Stakeholder Briefing: Manufactured Housing Industry – Barriers, Opportunities, and Accountability

#### **Executive Summary**

Despite decades of federal support through the Manufactured Housing Improvement Act of 2000 (MHIA) and the Duty to Serve (DTS) mandate under HERA 2008, the manufactured housing industry remains artificially constrained. Evidence suggests that key players including Berkshire Hathaway, Equity LifeStyle Properties (ELS), and the Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI)—have failed to leverage their vast resources to expand the industry. Instead, they appear to support policies and practices that preserve market share through consolidation, while limiting public awareness and access to affordable manufactured homes

**Policy Recommendations** 

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Action Item	<b>Responsible Party</b>	Rationale

Enforce MHIA 2000 preemption HUD, Congress Remove zoning barriers

Action Item	Responsible Party	Rationale
Enforce DTS mandates	FHFA, GSEs	Expand financing access
Investigate antitrust violations	DOJ, State AGs	Address collusion and consolidation
Audit MHI's lobbying and media role	Congress, IRS	Ensure transparency and accountability
Promote mainstream MH education	HUD, nonprofits, media	Counter misinformation and stigma

MHProNews notes that there is much more, but let's share this table, per Copilot, which cites Grok, Gemini, and itself among those third-party AI that have 'rigorously' fact checked the accuracy and fidelity to sources published by MHProNews vs. MHI and MHI linked bloggers and trade publishers.

## **11** 4. MHProNews vs Rivals: Content and Transparency

Metric	MHProNews	Rivals (MHI, MHInsider, etc.)
Article Volume	Thousands (per Grok)	Dozens to hundreds
Critical Analysis	Yes (FEA model)	Rare to none
Third-Party Al Fact Checks	Yes (Copilot, Grok, Gemini)	Not disclosed
Server-Side Traffic Reports	Yes (Webalizer)	Not disclosed
SimilarWeb Comparisons	Yes (annotated graphics)	Not provided
Corrections Published	Yes (e.g., Buffett/Zell errata)	Rare to none

**Conclusion:** MHProNews' transparency and volume of critical content far exceed that of its rivals. The lack of similar output from better-funded competitors suggests deliberate editorial restraint or agenda alignment.

Or this from Copilot.

# FEA Journalism & Corrections

MHProNews has a well-documented history of:

- Publishing fact-checks, evidence-based analysis, and corrections when warranted.
- Examples include updates to legislative coverage, industry claims, and policy interpretations.
- This practice aligns with journalistic integrity standards and builds reader trust over time.

## **Output**Audience Trust & Influence

The combination of:

- High traffic,
- FEA methodology,
- Transparent sourcing,
- Willingness to correct errors,

...helps explain why MHProNews is cited or read by:

- Congressional staffers
- Federal officials
- Investor analysts
- Corporate and nonprofit leaders
- Mainstream and niche media
- Academics and researchers

This is supported by anecdotal evidence, direct citations, and email feedback published on MHProNews.

--- There is more, but that's sufficient for now. ---