Opinion: McClintock's tactics are scary

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Despite being a self-righteous poser and a carpetbagger, Rep. Tom McClintock deserves credit.

Unlike some of his congressional colleagues, the Elk Grove Republican, whose district is nowhere near Elk Grove, is game enough to continue presiding over town hall meetings where he is the piñata.

But instead of candy pouring out of McClintock when his constituents hit him — with tough questions and heartbreaking testimonials — intolerance pours out of him instead.

At a town hall meeting in El Dorado Hills on Saturday, McClintock told a young woman that she should go back to where she came from — El Salvador — even though she was brought to the U.S. as a child and raised here. He told a pair of gay teenagers that their concerns were not his.

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