



TRUMP COUNTERS REJECTION WITH HIS FIRST VETO

President Donald Trump issued the first veto of his presidency Friday to secure federal money for a border wall he promised as a candidate and considers a crucial priority for re-election, capping a week of confrontation with both political parties. **Nation, 4A**

Grocery delivery yet to pick up here

Most Floridians haven't tried grocery services, but those who have lead the nation for curbside pickup. One survey finds 24 percent of Floridians have picked up prepared grocery orders. **Business, 3B**

Tampa mayoral debates kick off

In the first head-to-head meeting between Jane Castor and David Straz heading into the April 23 runoff, racial profiling, "biking while black" and City Hall's attitude toward minority communities and businesses were hot topics. **Local, 1B**

Phillies stadium faces challenge

A bill in the Florida House aims to prohibit state funds and county bed taxes from going to sports stadiums — and that's the latest worry for Clearwater's \$79.7 million Phillies stadium upgrade pitch. **Local, 1B**

Students hold climate protests

From the South Pacific to the edge of the Arctic Circle, students skipped classes Friday to protest what they see as the failures of their governments to take tough action against global warming. **World, 10A**

Redevelopment fight at Bardmoor

The fight to save the Bardmoor golf course gained scores of volunteers Thursday night to counter plans to replace the course with multi-family housing and a hotel. **Local, 1B**

Pompeo pushes back against Kim

Secretary of State Mike Pompeo sought to downplay a North Korean warning Friday that Kim Jong Un was considering breaking off nuclear talks with the Trump administration and resuming the country's nuclear and missile tests. **World, 2A**

A terror brought home in real time

■ In New Zealand, at least 49 people are slaughtered at two mosques, with the horror seen online.

■ In Tampa, police try to reassure the Muslim community and increase patrols at local mosques.



MARK BAKER | Associated Press
First-responders take a victim from outside a mosque in Christchurch after Friday's attacks. At least 48 people were wounded, some critically.



MONICA HERNDON | Times
A child moves around worshippers before Friday's Jummah prayer at the Islamic Society of Tampa Bay in Tampa.

BY NICK PERRY AND MARK BAKER
Associated Press

CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand — At least 49 people were shot to death at two mosques during midday prayers Friday — most if not all of them gunned down by an immigrant-hating white supremacist who apparently used a helmet-mounted camera to broadcast live video of the slaughter on Facebook.

One man was arrested and charged with murder. Brenton Harrison Tarrant appeared in court this morning, local time, amid strict security and showed no emotion when the judge read him one murder charge. The judge said "it was reasonable to assume" more such charges would follow.

Two other armed suspects were taken into custody while police tried to determine what role, if any, they played in the cold-blooded attack that stunned New Zealand, a country so peaceful that police rarely carry guns. **» See MOSQUE, 6A**

For Muslims here, prayer also brings vulnerability

BY HOWARD ALTMAN
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TAMPA — It was shortly before Friday's midday prayers at the Islamic Society of Tampa Bay when Nadia Ghabin recalled the chilling thought she woke up to that morning, after hearing that 49 were killed and scores more wounded in a terrorist attack on two New Zealand mosques.

"The way Muslims pray, your back is away from the entrance," said community organizer Ghabin, 37. "So anyone could come in and potentially harm you and you would never see that. That is in the back of my mind today."

That's why the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office sent deputies to the mosque on E Sligh Avenue. Usually there is at least one, but on this day there were four, said Ahmed Bedier, president of United Voices and a member of the congregation.

While Ghabin said she felt reassured by the presence of law enforcement, what about the future? "What about six months from now?" Ghabin said. "What about the next year?"

An hour before worshippers would start filing into the mosque for **» See LOCAL, 7A**

Hospital is evicting patient

But the Seffner woman has few choices for care — she needs a ventilator.

BY CAROL MARBIN MILLER AND DANIEL CHANG
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TAMPA — When the administrators of Tampa General Hospital evict Roberta Robinson from her bed, as planned, she faces a terrible choice: She can return home, where her husband and adult daughter both are incapable of caring for her, or she can die alone, more than 330 miles away — in Georgia.

Robinson, 63, of Seffner, suffers from diabetes, high blood pressure, pulmonary disease and

a progressive neurological disorder called myotonic dystrophy that has left her profoundly disabled. Robinson requires a ventilator to breathe. Her husband makes medical decisions on her behalf, because she can only communicate "yes" and "no" in response to questions.

For the past year, Robinson has been hospitalized at Tampa General after she suffered a heart attack while living at home with round-the-clock nursing care. The hospital now wants its bed back, and has told a Hillsborough

County judge that Robinson is capable of being discharged to a less intensive setting.

Robinson "remains in possession of the hospital bed and hospital room against the consent of TGH," Tampa General's attorney, Patricia S. Callhoun, wrote in a lawsuit. Tampa General Hospital "is entitled to use its hospital beds for the care and treatment of patients who have a clinical need for acute hospital care. Roberta Robinson is not such a patient." **» See PATIENT, 13A**



Courtesy of the Robinson family
Joseph Robinson and daughter Nicole Robinson, 28, are both disabled and unable to be caregivers for Roberta Robinson.

Police: Felon beat woman

After decades in prison, he's charged in a new attack at Amalie Arena.

BY DAN SULLIVAN
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TAMPA — Leonard Edwards, who spent almost a half-century in state prison for a hammer attack and rape before his release last summer, is accused of a new violent crime.

Edwards, 63, was working early Sunday morning on a cleanup crew at Amalie Arena when he attacked a co-worker, kicking and stomping her head, according to Tampa police.

The woman was not identified in police records. But Aimee Morris, 41, told the *Tampa Bay Times* she was the victim of the beating. Photos posted to Facebook show her with a neck brace and a bloodied lip. She said she suffered brain bleeding and received staples in a severe head wound.



Leonard Edwards

"I don't know if something was going on in his life that week or that day," Morris said. "I think he needs help and maybe it's not in the prison system. There's obviously something not right with him."

No one could say whether Edwards may have had a hard time adjusting to life after prison. A phone message left with his sister was not returned. The defense attorney who represented him at his resentencing hearing also did not respond to a message left for comment.

In July, Edwards was released as a result of U.S. and Florida Supreme Court decisions that found it unconstitutional for juveniles to receive lengthy prison terms without a chance of release. In prison since 1972, Edwards became one of the longest continuously incarcerated people in Florida to be released under the ruling.

That summer, Edwards broke into an apartment on S Albany Avenue in Tampa's Hyde Park neighborhood, approached a sleeping 22-year-old woman and beat her about the head with a hammer. As she lay bleeding, he raped her. Edwards was linked to the crime through a handprint, which was found on a windowsill inside the apartment, and through a jail. **» See EDWARDS, 13A**

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8 a.m. 67° Noon 72° 4 p.m. 76° 8 p.m. 70°

20% chance of rain
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