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After yesterday's dumpster fire pressers by both @jkenney and @TracyAllardUCP, I have a few things to say on a more personal note. Maybe that will penetrate thick layer of privilege covering you both. #ableg #abpoli /1

My mother was hospitalized from October through early December when we moved her into a LTC facility.

I can count on one hand the number of times I was able to visit her during that time. Hospital units were locked down to visitors for most of that period. /2

I was only able to take my father to see her in hospital once in that 2 months - they've been together 64 years. /3

Then, when she transferred to the LTC home, she was immediately quarantined for 14 days. I wasn't able to take my father to see her until Dec 23. /4

On Dec 24, the home went into COVID lockdown because of a staff member testing positive.

We had plans to be with my mother on December 25. One little bit of normal we could have had vaporized on one test result. /5

My father and mother who saw each other every day for 64 years have seen each other a total of 3 or 4 times since October.

Not just because of my mother's health, but because of the restrictions that COVID has placed on our lives. /6

... and you thought it was "okay" to travel to Hawaii because you've done that "every year for 17 years"?

I can't even begin to describe the callousness that represents to me. /7

Here we have a government telling Albertans "don't travel", "don't gather socially over Christmas" because of COVID, and you have the unmitigated gall to tell us that it's alright that YOU went abroad because "it's your family tradition". /8

My partner's family has its own crisis going on with a parent who is terminally ill. (and hospitalized briefly twice before Christmas.

Because of their illness, and the dangers COVID presents, we didn't visit them over Christmas either. /9

... why? Because your government's directives specifically said _DON'T_, and common sense said "DON'T".

... yet you and a bunch of your colleagues all thought it was a good idea to go jump on a plane and holiday it up in Hawaii. /10

That puts all of you firmly in the camp of "do as I say, not as I do". Last time I saw stuff like that, it was reading about pre-revolution France. /11