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GEORGE STEPHANOPOULOS: We're going to go to Washington now and the State of the Union. Facing his lowest numbers yet, President Trump set to address the nation ahead of challenging midterms and a possible war with Iran. Senior political correspondent Rachel Scott is at the White House. Good morning, Rachel.

RACHEL SCOTT: George, good morning to you. And even Republicans acknowledge not how President Trump wanted to head into his first State of the Union address of his second term on the heels of that massive decision by the Supreme Court declaring most of his tariffs unconstitutional. Tonight, the President is expected to be a few feet away from the justices that made that ruling, possibly even two he appointed himself. He spent the last few days railing against them, saying that they and their family should be embarrassed, saying couldn't care less if they came at all. Now, of course, we have seen some outbursts during these State of the Union addresses. Well, this morning, we are learning that at least 39 Democrats plan to skip the speech altogether. There's a counter-programming event over the National Mall and all of this comes at a critical midterm election year and as we learning the President is facing headwinds in the polls. According to our latest ABC News/*Washington Post*/Ipsos poll, 60 percent of Americans disapprove of the President's job in office. That's the lowest since he was reelected. The majority of Americans also disapprove of the President's handling on key issues, ranging from inflation, tariffs, immigration, and the economy. Tonight's speech coming in the backdrop of a partial government shutdown with Democrats and Republicans at odds over funding for DHS. And one of the biggest questions tonight: Will the President outline for the American people, for Congress why he's possibly considering a military strike in Iran, George.

STEPHANOPOULOS: It has not been done yet. Okay, Rachel, thanks very much. And all of you at home can watch the State of the Union tonight at 9:00 Eastern here on ABC.