



May 7, 2019

Representative Barbara Lee
1301 Clay St. #1000N
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Dear Representative Lee,

The Leadership Team of Alameda4Impeachment (A4I) appreciated the opportunity to meet with you on Friday, May 3, 2019. We share your deep concern for the critical status of our democracy and the desperate need to hold President Trump accountable to congressional oversight.

A4I began the conversation by requesting that you **support the current House Judiciary Resolution 257**, which will launch an official Impeachment Inquiry.

We heard you say that:

- House Leadership is intent on holding President Trump accountable, but that timing is critical. You talked about the importance of investigations to strengthen evidence. You indicated that many Democratic members of Congress are not convinced that impeachment is worth the risk of public/political backlash.
- The House is challenging the Trump Administration with subpoenas and perhaps Contempt of Congress, knowing that the President may respond with stonewalling. You predicted that the conflict may soon lead to an impeachment inquiry.

A4I responded with the following observations:

- Trump and his allies have aggressively seized the narrative of “total exoneration - no collusion, no obstruction.” Their story has a head start telling the public that “the Russia Hoax is over.” The media has called it “all out war.”
- There will be no White House cooperation with subpoenas or requests to testify. There will be endless stonewalling and court delays.

- Trump’s response to Congress is already out of control and dangerous. Unless House leadership quickly creates a compelling storyline and implements its strongest enforcement authority, the President will destroy the Democrats with phony “investigations of the investigators” and improve his chances for reelection.
- The American people depend upon Congressional leaders to take hold of the narrative and tell the true story of presidential corruption so that everyone can understand what’s at stake. Well planned impeachment hearings can dramatize Trump’s wrongdoing and earn public support. The hearings may even shame the Senate GOP enough to secure conviction.
- In Trump World, entertainment is king. We cannot rely on the rule of law and friendly handshakes. We must be bold and innovative in confronting the serial liar-in-chief. We must get up early in the morning and tell our story.
- We strongly urge you to co-sponsor House Resolution 257. See Errol Lewis on CNN (5/6/19): “...Watergate hearings... galvanized... a majority saying Watergate is really, really serious.” See Matt Zapposky in the Washington Post (5/6/19) “370 former federal prosecutors... asserting (Mueller’s) findings would have produced obstruction charges against President Trump - if not for the office he held.” Indeed, a powerful impeachment proceeding could force Trump to resign. *We have no time to waste.*

We at A4I respect your extensive public service leadership and your well deserved reputation as an effective advocate of human rights. We look forward to further consultation as our endangered democracy struggles to throw off this outlaw president who has trashed our sacred constitutional values and sullied our historic White House.

Respectfully,

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See Attachments, also sent to Speaker Pelosi and Representatives Schiff and Nadler