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The Honorable Harold Runnels
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Runnels:

Since Saturday night the issue has become clear that the President is not only in contempt of Congress but of the Courts as well. His actions in both domestic and foreign affairs have precipitated the gravest constitutional crisis in our nation's history: may the President exercise his authority in disregard of the law? The resolution of this issue has been thrust per-force upon The Congress, which can no longer evade its responsibility to the American people or its duty to defend the Constitution.

Congress should immediately institute impeachment proceedings to bring the President to trial for his misconduct and to determine his fitness to remain in office.

Yours sincerely,

