

RE: A Matter of Life and Death – The Impeachment of President Donald John Trump and Justice for Renée Good, Alex Pretti, Lorenzo Salgado Araujo, and Johan Sebastián Durán Guerrero

Dear Friends:

The President of the United States of America, Donald John Trump, took a solemn oath of office to “preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States.” Members of Congress take a solemn oath to “support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic.”

In what has become a nightmarish matter of life and death, President Donald John Trump must be impeached for the reason that he is clearly committing high crimes and misdemeanors by abusing the powers of the presidency and failing to faithfully execute the office of President of the United States. Further, he is not preserving, protecting, and defending the Constitution of the United States, as required by his solemn constitutional oath of office, but is instead flouting and ignoring constitutional limits, leading to the unjustified killings of innocent, unarmed civilians, as excerpted below in Article I of [H.Res.1486](#), the articles of impeachment on which Congress will vote.

H.Res.1486
Impeaching President Donald John Trump
for High Crimes and Misdemeanors

ARTICLE I

Our country and the lives of people within it are at risk as President Donald John Trump is a great threat to the United States democratic republic, its Constitution, and democracy, violating Article II, Section 1, Clause 8 of the United States Constitution and its mandate to faithfully execute the office of President of the United States and, to the best of his ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States, as he is abusing the powers of the presidency by operating United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and Customs and Border Protection (CBP) as his vicious, quota-driven, unaccountable paramilitary police forces, transgressing with anonymity and secrecy, assaulting people, committing and covering up unjustified killings of civilians (including Renée Good, Alex Pretti, Lorenzo Salgado Araujo, and Johan Sebastián Durán Guerrero) with impunity (acting as judge, jury, prosecutor, and executioner), terrorizing communities, and brazenly and wantonly devolving the United States democratic republic into an authoritarian regime, where unjustified killings and coverups by ICE and CBP are normalized.

Note: The entirety of the articles of impeachment can be found on [congress.gov](https://www.congress.gov).

Friends, the issue isn't whether the President is guilty of impeachable offenses, because he is. The super salient issue is: What will the U.S. House of Representatives (which has the sole power to impeach) do about it? In a metaphorical sense, Congress is the court of last resort to achieve justice for Renée Good, Alex Pretti, Lorenzo Salgado Araujo, and Johan Sebastián Durán Guerrero. Congress becomes the house of justice when federal courts cannot act because, after many months, no case has been reported as having been filed in a federal court against any of the ICE or CBP perpetrators of the unjustified killings referenced above by the Trump-operated U.S. Justice Department, which has access to the evidence. This shameful injustice is made sinfully worse when President Trump's unjust Department of Justice (with his personal lawyer as its Attorney General) is preventing local authorities from filing charges by intentionally denying them access to the evidence. Succinctly and clearly stated, the U.S. Justice Department is engaged in a de facto coverup by not filing charges against perpetrators who have committed unjustified killings as judge, jury, prosecutor, and executioner, while simultaneously preventing cases from being filed by local and non-federal authorities.

The first roadblock this impeachment vote will face is a motion to table. Some Members of Congress will seek to prevent the vote to impeach President Trump from taking place by voting in favor of a motion to table, which would halt the vote to impeach. If this succeeds with Democratic votes, it would be tantamount to doing nothing and then allowing Republicans to brag about how Democrats supported their effort to protect the President from being impeached.

We must not permit nothing to be done; we must vote against efforts to table a vote on the articles of impeachment. Voting "yea" (yes) or "present" on any such motion to table the articles will be supporting and defending President Trump (not the Constitution), who is guilty of condoning, supporting, and covering up the unjustified killings of Renée Good, Alex Pretti, Lorenzo Salgado Araujo, and Johan Sebastián Durán Guerrero by ICE and/or CBP agents acting as judge, jury, prosecutor, and executioner.

Only by voting "no" on the motion to table the articles of impeachment will we not only support and defend the Constitution but also ensure a vote to impeach President Trump to provide justice for Renée Good, Alex Pretti, Lorenzo Salgado Araujo, and Johan Sebastián Durán Guerrero. It will be a vote to do something – to move ahead with the vote on the articles of impeachment.

Doing nothing is not an option for those of us who choose to honor our solemn oath of office to support and defend the Constitution. Making bold statements such as "the President has blood on his hands" and proclaiming what will be done next year (when unjustified killings have not been redressed) are not acts of supporting and defending the Constitution; they are little more than performative sound and fury signifying nothing. Sadly, but truly, such inaction dishonors the solemn oath of office taken by all Members of Congress.

To those who would vote "yea" or "present" on a motion to table to avoid taking a hard vote to impeach President Trump, I say: if you can't take hard votes, you are in the wrong business. This is a matter of life and death. How can you explain to the families of the victims why you prevented a vote to impeach President Trump, who has devalued the lives of their loved ones?

To those who say, “Wait until next year” and “Buckle up” when the investigations start, I say: How many more lives must we lose, and how many more loved ones of victims have to plead for help before the self-evident evidence from videos and President Trump’s own words compel us to act? The available overwhelming evidence sufficiently demonstrates that President Trump is unfit and dangerous to our democracy.

To those who will vote to table because affordability is our priority, I say: yes, affordability is our priority. However, I also know that holding Jeffrey Epstein accountable should be and is a priority, that temporary protected status for Haitians should be and is a priority, and that a vote now to hold President Trump accountable for condoning, supporting, and covering up the killing of innocent civilians must also be a priority.

The Congressional oath of office mandates that Congress must do something now (support and defend the Constitution) by taking a vote to impeach a president who commits high crimes and misdemeanors. In the present case, even the unsuccessful act of voting to impeach will either deter future killings or lay the foundation for a future successful impeachment should another unjustified killing occur.

In closing, my dear Congressional sisters and brothers, I must warn you: those who vote to table these articles of impeachment will join President Trump, as they too will have blood on their hands, especially if ICE or CBP commits another unjustified killing.

This is truly about life and death – the lives saved because knowing that Congress will act can alter behaviors, and justice for the deaths of innocent civilians killed by ICE and/or CBP under the oversight of President Trump.

Sincerely and respectfully,



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P.S. I am sending a communiqué to Speaker Johnson and Minority Leader Jeffries requesting that the vote on H.Res.1486 occur with other votes. If no other votes are taken during the week of September 14-17, 2026, I have asked that we adhere to the rules and move immediately to bring the articles to a vote on the same day that I read the articles on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives, as has been done previously.