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Dear Colleague,

These days, there seems to be chaos and turmoil everywhere you look. Wars are raging all over the world. Our country is being invaded daily by drug cartels, human traffickers, and terrorists. And even the House of Representatives just endured a legislative standstill, while the clock ticked down on a continuing resolution, as we went more than three weeks without a Speaker.

The wars are still raging and the crisis at the southern border is still out of control, but Republicans unanimously elected a new Speaker and have begun passing crucial legislation to fund our government and stand with our ally, Israel. We need to continue sticking together to do our jobs for the American people who sent us here.

Among our responsibilities is our duty to defend America's interests and to hold politicians accountable for engaging in anti-American activities. One such politician is Rashida Tlaib of Michigan, whose antisemitic comments have been denounced countless times by Republicans and Democrats alike. Since the war in Gaza began earlier this month, Tlaib has espoused talking points used by terrorist groups such as Hamas and Hezbollah. She has advocated for pro-Hamas riots across the country, making American Jews fear for their lives, and signaling to Israel that America does not support them in their fight against evil.

Tlaib has refused to denounce the atrocities committed by Hamas, including the beheading of babies. Rather, she has blamed America for allowing such carnage. She has not condemned the hostage-taking and execution of Jews by Hamas. Rather, she has continued to call Israel an apartheid state, implying that Israel is the nation perpetrating a genocide. She has not called for a peaceful diplomatic solution to the war. Rather, she followed Hezbollah's orders to carry out a "day of unprecedented anger" following an explosion at a Gazan hospital, an explosion she blamed on Israel, even though U.S. intelligence agencies determined Israel was not responsible.

When Tlaib incited a pro-Hamas insurrection at the Capitol complex on October 18, 2023, over 300 of her followers were arrested for crowding, obstructing, or incommoding. Some were even arrested for assaulting police officers. Among the crowd were members of a group messaging chat called, "Global Intifada," or, "rebellion," in Arabic, a reference to the violent Palestinian riots in Israel in the late 20<sup>th</sup> century. These well-organized individuals are part of "Jewish Voice for Peace," a group with ties to terrorist organizations. Calling for violent terrorist rebellion inside the Capitol complex is behavior that must be condemned by the House of Representatives, and the Constitution gives us the power to do just that: censure.

In retaliation for filing this censure resolution, Democrats launched their own effort, filled with a litany of lies, to censure me to protect their terrorist-sympathizing colleague. The hypocrisy of the Democrats knows no bounds, so I am not relying on them to censure Tlaib for her blatant

antisemitic and evil rhetoric. But I do hope that our Republican majority can come together to do what is right. The Constitution offers us a pathway to hold each other accountable for our actions, and Rashida Tlaib must be held to account. This is a critical moment for our party's values and principles. We need to show our voters and our allies that standing up for them is of paramount importance. Supporting my censure resolution of Rashida Tlaib is not just a matter of political necessity but a moral and ethical imperative.

Censuring Representative Tlaib is not about stifling differing opinions or engaging in political vendettas. It is about sending a strong message that we expect our elected officials to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects the dignity of their office and upholds the trust of the American people. It is about holding our representatives accountable for their actions, irrespective of their political affiliation.

I trust that you will carefully consider this matter and make a principled decision in support of this resolution. Our party and our nation deserve leaders who are willing to take a stand when the integrity of our institutions is at stake. I urge you to stand on the right side of history.

Sincerely yours,

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