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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Madam Speaker,

On behalf of the Democratic Party of North Carolina's 11th Congressional District, we respectfully request action to address the seditious behavior of our newly elected Congressman, Madison Cawthorn, on or before the insurrection of January 6, 2021:

- (1) Mr. Cawthorn's Twitter feed leading up to January 6 was filled with strong, violent language encouraging his supporters to go to the Capitol to demonstrate their patriotism and show "what their spines are made of."
- (2) In a speech to the crowd at the rally immediately before the Capitol was attacked, Representative Cawthorn incited the crowd again using violent language and calling his colleagues "cowards."
- (3) He later issued a Tweet encouraging rioters to enter the U.S. Capitol and to join him in his fight when he wrote, "I'm fighting a battle for our Constitution on the House floor with other patriots. The battle is on the House floor, not in the streets of D.C."
- (4) Since January 6, in spite of the above, he has repeatedly denied any culpability in the resulting mob action of illegally breaching the Security of the Capitol Building, of illegally taking over the US Senate and House of Representatives chambers, of the disruption of Congress's carrying out its official Constitutional duties, of destruction of federal property, and of inciting mob action resulting in the deaths of five people.

Mr. Cawthorn needs to be held accountable for his seditious behavior and for the consequences resulting from said behavior. The voters of North Carolina deserve the truth from our elected officials. We will not tolerate misinformation, conspiracy theories, and lies from our Representatives.

Therefore, we respectfully request that the House of Representatives conduct an investigation for Ethics Violations regarding Mr. Cawthorn's aforementioned Acts of Sedition. If the 2/3rd vote necessary for expulsion can not be secured, we request that the House of Representatives formally censure Mr. Cawthorn on behalf of his constituents in the 11th Congressional District.

Respectfully,

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