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United States Senators Schumer and Gillibrand United States Congressman Delgado Nation's Capital Washington, DC

Dear Senators Schumer and Gillibrand and Congressman Delgado,

We are a nation governed by the rule of law, and our democracy is built upon the fundamental principle of majority rule and the peaceful transfer of power. The chaos, violence, and insurrection at the U.S. Capitol this past Wednesday, incited by the call of the outgoing President, was an act of treason and the first breach of the home of our democracy since 1814, when the British army set it on fire.

The terrorists that carried out last Wednesday's insurrection and those that provoked it should face criminal charges. Although there is only 9 days left of his presidency, many fear what else may come. The President should resign and let the Vice President fill his duties until the next President is sworn in.

The fact that the members of the Democrat and Republican Congress returned to their seats after the insurrection and worked well into the morning to carry out the ritual certification for the transfer of power is reassuring, but it does not erase what happened.

We ask you, our representatives in Congress, to do everything in your power to ensure that all of the individuals who incited and perpetrated the deadly insurrection at the People's House, are prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Sincerely,

David B. Donaldson, Chairman Ulster County Legislature

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