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JAMES R. JONES, M.C. January 28. 1974 WASHINGTON, D.C.

Honorable Carl Albert Congressman from Oklahoma Congressional Office Building Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman Albert:

Your comments published in a Tulsa paper recently were statesman like in my opinion.

There are too many serious problems at this time to have bi-partisan " flap doodle" politics be the issue by either party.

This idea of " blaming" the office of the presidency for every issue that is not satisfactory to all is very, very harmful to this great country whether the name is Johnston or Nixon.

The thought of impeachment is ridiculous on the facts now published Even though the President must bear the responsibility of Watergate he has still done many great things.

Let's get the hearings over with and concentrate on the real issues. Watergate is and has been over blown. People, everywhere, are very irritated that it goes on and on.

Whether Democrat or Republican, the office of the Presidency deserves more respect. Congress should take a stand for the great office, not against it.

Respectfully yours,

James E. Holder

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February 4, 1974

Mr. James E. Holder Furniture Associates, Inc. 3630 Eerwilleger Blvd. Tulsa, Oklahoma 74105

Dear Mr. Holder:

Thank you very much for communicating with me concerning your opinions on the question of impeachment.

After several resolutions of impeachment were introduced last year, the House Judiciary Committee was assigned the responsibility of investigating the facts to determine whether there was evidence to personally implicate the President in an impeachable offense.

A staff was assembled in December to begin this study. It is expected that the Judiciary Committee staff investigation will be completed sometime in April. At that time, the evidence will be presented and a vote taken to determine whether impeachment proceedings should begin or be dropped.

Most House Members, including myself, believe that we should keep an open mind and decide on the basis of the legal evidence which is presented later in the spring.

In the meantime, Congress has a full agenda of important business in the areas of energy, the economy, and other domestic legislation which will occupy my work and attention.

I do appreciate your taking the time to share your views with me, and I will keep these in mind at such time as I am called upon to decide on this issue.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

JAMES R. JONES Member of Congress

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