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Congressman Jim Jones House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20045

Dear Congressman,

I have just returned from Washington where I attended the National Limestone Institute convention and I have some comments I need to make.

Mr. Rufus L. Edmisten, counsel for the Senate Watergate Committee, in a speech at one of our meetings made a remark that he had seen no evidence by which Mr. Nixon could be impeached. If this is true then I think it is time the Congress was closing this investigation.

The purpose of this letter is not to influence you in voting to clear Mr. Nixon, but rather to consider very carefully the evidence as developed and to make up your own mind, then do all in your power to bring this matter to an end and to get on with the job of running the government.

Sincerely yours,

W. L. Childress heldurs

February 4, 1974

Mr. W. L. Childress
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Dear Mr. Childress:

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