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JAMES R. JONES, M.C. WASHINGTON, D.C.

Dear Representative Jones:

As members of the opposite party, we have noticed the calm and constructive tone of your comments concerning Watergate and President Nixon's position.

We would like to express our concern over the "hysteria" in the press and news media, and members of the Liberal Wing of your party. We feel that it is time for each member of Congress and the Senate to divest themselves of partisian politics and rally to the principles of common decency and tolerant compatibility with the President. We feel that you are one of the men that could lead in these high principles.

Furthermore, we feel that without further delay. Gerald Ford should be confirmed as Vice President.

We feel that talk of impeachment of the President is both divisive and counter productive to the functioning of the government and to the general well being of the American people.

We have not lost faith in our President or our system of government; and we are depending upon men like you in Congress and the Senate to keep our system of government functioning in the spirit of our Founding Fathers.

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. and Mrs. M. Mitchell Chouteau 2443 South 144 East Avenue Tulsa, Oklahoma 74134

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Chouteau:

Your letter arrived while Congressman Jones is out of the country. As you may know, Mr. Jones was appointed to a special subcommittee of the House Armed Services Committee to gather facts about the Middle East with which to report back to the House of Representatives. The Congressman is presently in Egypt and Israel.

I am taking the liberty of acknowledging receipt of your letter, and I will bring your correspondence to Congressman Jones' personal attention immediately upon his return to the United States in late November.

Sincerely yours,

Stephen Kaplan Legislative Assistant