

- EXPEL CONGRESS MEMBERS WHO VOTED NOT TO CERTIFY PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2021 — after a seditious, wantonly destructive mob invaded our nation’s capital, rampaged through Congressional halls, threatened the sanctity of government, took life, and violently demanded that the will of our country’s electorate be overturned — 147 members of Congress betrayed their oaths of office and played compliant lackey to the anti-democratic urgings of that mob and a despotic president, by voting against certifying the results of the 2020 presidential election; and

WHEREAS, the facts of that presidential election — that Joseph Biden was decisively elected president, and Kamala Harris Vice President — are not in factual dispute: any/all legal challenges have received proper reckonings, rendered by scores of courts and numerous state officials, and through varied recounts and reviews, and then by count of the electoral college in meeting its constitutional obligation, and the only duty of the Congress on January 6 was to administratively report and record the electoral college’s state-by-state tally and outcome, and yet the authoritarian loser, Donald J. Trump, wanting to stay in office and avoid criminal prosecutions awaiting him in private life, sought to deny the clear determination of voters, the rule of law, the authority of states and the coequality of the other branches of government by inviting insurrection and inciting riot— and those 147 who voted against certification signed onto his wishes; and

WHEREAS, in U.S. history, 20 legislators have been expelled from Congress, most for supporting insurrection — those 147 current Members of Congress warrant the same fate, and a new resolution submitted by Congressmember Cori Bush (Missouri) directs, “the Committee on House Administration and the Committee on Ethics to investigate, and issue a report on, whether those Members of the House who have sought to overturn the 2020 Presidential election have violated their oath of office to uphold the Constitution or the Rules of the House of Representatives, and should face sanction, including removal from the House of Representatives”:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Los Angeles County Democratic Party endorses expulsion of the 147 members of Congress who voted against certifying the 2020 presidential election results, supports the House resolution by Congressmember Cori Bush regarding such possible expulsion of House Members, and calls on the Senate to act similarly; and

LET IT BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this resolution shall be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and California Congressional delegation members.

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