

January 12, 2021

Speaker of the House, Representative Nancy Pelosi
House Majority Leader, Representative Steny Hoyer
House Minority Leader, Representative Kevin McCarthy

Dear Speaker Pelosi, Rep. Hoyer, Rep. McCarthy,

As individuals who hold elected offices within the 3rd Congressional District of Colorado we are writing to express our condemnation of Representative Lauren Boebert based on her association with the right wing groups that supported the insurrection of the Capitol Building on Wednesday, January 6, 2021. We have heard overwhelmingly from our constituents, therefore her constituents, that there is deep concern about her actions leading up to and during the protests that turned into a violent and deadly mob.

Representative Boebert's actions, including her statements on the floor immediately preceding the insurrection and her social media posts leading up to the riots were irresponsible and reprehensible. The nation saw a direct attack on American democracy and the long-standing symbol of that democracy. Representative Boebert's speech and tweets encouraged the mob mentality of her social media followers and the people who directly participated in the destructive violence that disrupted a lawful democratic process from taking place as scheduled. Three days prior, she took the oath to uphold the U.S. Constitution.

Her recent behavior is in direct conflict with her responsibility as an elected official and we ask the leadership of the House of Representatives to thoroughly investigate her actions. We believe there is more than enough information to warrant an investigation and we ask that you follow through with any appropriate disciplinary actions.

Our bigger concern is that hate groups are proliferating in America and they are heavily armed. We request that you create a Congressional panel to thoroughly investigate these groups. They pose a real threat to American democracy, to our communities and to our residents. We are all deeply disturbed by the events that unfolded on Wednesday and we urge the appropriate legal and congressional responses against the individuals and groups involved to prevent similar actions in the future.

As elected officials we are dedicated to serving all those in our region regardless of their affiliation. We take this responsibility seriously and expect Representative Boebert to do so as well. We made multiple efforts to reach out directly to Representative Boebert without a response.

Thank you for your leadership in these trying times.

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