

To: Interested Parties

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Re: Three Questions to Ask the Biden 18 About the Fact-Free Impeachment Attempt

Just last week, Speaker MAGA Mike Johnson <u>announced</u> he is likely to move forward with articles of impeachment, with no evidence whatsoever of wrongdoing committed by President Biden. Johnson, Comer, Jordan, and their MAGA House Republican allies are <u>following</u> <u>Donald Trump's direction</u> to help him return to the White House in 2024 and distract from his 91 criminal indictments. They are completely casting aside the important priorities of the American people across the country to focus on partisan political stunts. The American people deserve to know where their representatives stand on this evidence-free impeachment and whether they will put them over politics.

It's time to get the Biden-18 on the record about this baseless impeachment inquiry.

When you see the Biden 18 in the halls this week, ask them these guestions:

1) Given all the issues facing the country and your pledge to constituents to focus on their priorities, how do you justify all this focus on impeachment?

This impeachment inquiry will politically <u>backfire</u> on battleground Republicans. When the Biden 18 ran for Congress, they promised the American people that they would <u>focus on important issues</u> like healthcare and inflation. Voters will hold them accountable for ignoring crucial priorities to focus on the wrong priorities, like an evidence-free impeachment.

According to polling from earlier this fall, a majority of Americans in key swing districts already disapprove of Republicans in Congress. These Republicans will be underwater if they continue to focus on partisan stunts and impeachment rather than addressing the important issues facing the American people, like the economy and the cost of living for working families. 56% of voters in those districts believe an impeachment inquiry would be a "partisan political stunt," while 55% said the effort would benefit Trump, compared to only 41% who said it would be aimed at fact-finding. Two-thirds (67%) of voters surveyed in the Biden 18 districts responded that they don't want the President impeached unless they are shown legitimate receipts – and legitimate receipts haven't been delivered.

2) What evidence from the impeachment inquiry to date rises to the level of high crimes and misdemeanors?

Going on its eleventh month of investigation, with over 12,000 documents reviewed, 14,000 pages of bank records, and hours of witness testimony, MAGA House Republicans have found **no evidence** of wrongdoing by President Biden. Multiple sources and independent fact-checkers have reported that the evidence provided <u>does not substantiate</u> Comer's assertions, including their recent <u>debunked</u> claims about checks between Joe Biden and his brother that were actually <u>loan repayments</u> made while Joe Biden was not holding, or running for, any public office. Everyone from <u>Fox News hosts</u>, other <u>Republican lawmakers</u>, and the <u>star witness</u> at the first impeachment inquiry hearing has publicly admitted the evidence provided does not warrant impeachment. Where do the Biden 18 stand?

The impeachment efforts are clearly all about <u>revenge</u> for Donald Trump's own impeachments. Comer, Jordan, and other Republicans have even <u>admitted</u> that these investigations are about hurting President Biden politically and helping Trump return to the White House in 2024.

3) Donald Trump and his children are in court this week, and during the Trump presidency, his businesses profited directly from Trump's use of his properties as well as Jared and Ivanka's official positions. What's your view on Trump and his family profiting off the presidency?

Comer and Jordan have spent almost a year investigating and lying about President Biden and his family over so-called influence peddling, but they are silent about the <u>corrupt activities</u> of Trump and his family. They tried to <u>block</u> investigations into influence peddling during the Trump administration but now that Republicans have a newfound interest in this topic, it is important to know where they and the Biden 18 stand.

Trump reported owning 500 LLCs while President, obscuring any loans or foreign business interests he had that could influence him. Less than six months after leaving his position in the White House, Jared Kushner's firm received a \$2 billion investment from Saudi Arabia. House Republicans seem so concerned about China so they should care that Ivanka received three trademark approvals in China the same day she and Donald Trump dined with Chinese President Xi Jinping.