

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. _____

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. CICILLINE submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

RESOLUTION

1 *Resolved*, That Donald John Trump, President of the
2 United States, is impeached for high crimes and mis-
3 demeanors and that the following articles of impeachment
4 be exhibited to the United States Senate:

5 Article of impeachment exhibited by the House of
6 Representatives of the United States of America in the
7 name of itself and of the people of the United States of
8 America, against Donald John Trump, President of the
9 United States of America, in maintenance and support of
10 its impeachment against him for high crimes and mis-
11 demeanors.

ARTICLE I: ABUSE OF POWER

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2 The Constitution provides that the House of Rep-
3 resentatives “shall have the sole Power of Impeachment”
4 and that the President “shall be removed from Office on
5 Impeachment for, and Conviction of, Treason, Bribery, or
6 other high Crimes and Misdemeanors”. In his conduct of
7 the office of President of the United States—and in viola-
8 tion of his constitutional oath faithfully to execute the of-
9 fice of President of the United States and, to the best of
10 his ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution
11 of the United States, and in violation of his constitutional
12 duty to take care that the laws be faithfully executed—
13 Donald J. Trump engaged in high Crimes and Mis-
14 demeanors by willfully inciting violence against the Gov-
15 ernment of the United States, in that:

16 On January 6, 2021, pursuant to the Twelfth
17 Amendment of the United States Constitution, the Vice
18 President of the United States, the House of Representa-
19 tives, and the Senate met at the United States Capitol
20 for a Joint Session of Congress to count the votes of the
21 Electoral College. Shortly before the Joint Session com-
22 menced, President Trump addressed a crowd of his polit-
23 ical supporters nearby. There, he reiterated false claims
24 that “we won this election, and we won it by a landslide”.
25 He also willfully made statements that encouraged—and

1 foreseeably resulted in—imminent lawless action at the
2 Capitol. Incited by President Trump, a mob unlawfully
3 breached the Capitol, injured law enforcement personnel,
4 menaced Members of Congress and the Vice President,
5 interfered with the Joint Session’s solemn constitutional
6 duty to certify the election results, and engaged in violent,
7 deadly, destructive, and seditious acts.

8 President Trump’s conduct on January 6, 2021 was
9 consistent with his prior efforts to subvert and obstruct
10 the certification of the results of the 2020 presidential
11 election. Those prior efforts include, but are not limited
12 to, a phone call on January 2, 2021, in which President
13 Trump urged Georgia Secretary of State Brad
14 Raffensperger to “find” enough votes to overturn the
15 Georgia presidential election results and threatened Mr.
16 Raffensperger if he failed to do so.

17 In all of this, President Trump gravely endangered
18 the security of the United States and its institutions of
19 government. He threatened the integrity of the democratic
20 system, interfered with the peaceful transition of power,
21 and imperiled a coordinate branch of government. He
22 thereby betrayed his trust as President, to the manifest
23 injury of the people of the United States.

24 Wherefore President Trump, by such conduct, has
25 demonstrated that he will remain a threat to national se-

1 curity, democracy, and the Constitution if allowed to re-
2 main in office, and has acted in a manner grossly incom-
3 patible with self-governance and the rule of law. President
4 Trump thus warrants impeachment and trial, removal
5 from office, and disqualification to hold and enjoy any of-
6 fice of honor, trust, or profit under the United States.