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As President Donald J. Trump completes his final days in office, we thank him for his service to our nation, the amazing accomplishments he has achieved over the past four years, and for keeping his campaign promises.

During his administration, President Trump accomplished these objectives while under constant attack from the political class and the far Left who bolstered and emboldened the mainstream media, pushing false narratives, and perpetuating violence, fear, and hate. The far Left has chosen a riot culture, a culture without consequence, due to corrupt prosecutors and far Left leadership in our nation's cities. One must look no further than a few miles south to Portland, or up the I-5 corridor to Seattle; the burning of Portland's small businesses and the establishing of CHAZ speak for themselves.

This willful betrayal of We The People has resulted in extensive damage to local businesses and communities, the murder of citizens and law enforcement officers, and damaged our democratic republic. It is heartbreaking that this culture of violence spilled over to some who love America, committing similar crimes when they invaded the Capitol building in protest. We condemn all political violence, in all situations, no matter party affiliation or political identity. We thank President Trump for condemning this, and all, violence. We believe in the right of the People to peaceably assemble, as evidenced by the thousands and thousands of peaceful protesters who did *not* riot in DC last week. We also believe in personal responsibility. Those few, which, at last count was 61 individuals, who rioted must be held accountable for their actions, to the fullest extent of the law.

We stand together with all Americans who condemn continued divisive behavior and the active restricting of our sacred First Amendment rights through censorship. This is a most dangerous road, one on which generations before us bled and died to protect. All people, the President and conservatives included, retain the unalienable, self-evident right to Freedom of Speech. We also condemn the second, frivolous impeachment of President Trump based on false pretenses and without due process, solely to further political agendas. The vote for impeachment cast by Jaime Herrera Beutler, Washington State's 3rd Congressional District Congresswoman, directly violates our values of standing for truth and justice, and instead panders to fear-based narratives that do not represent the Clark County Republican Party, nor the constituents who elected her. This shameful behavior will only further divide our country. President Trump's actual words clearly did not incite violence.

We must be the city on a hill, a shining example of a prosperous democratic republic for all the world to see. All of our nation's leaders must stop divisive rhetoric and focus on what unites Americans. We disagree, we debate, we stand for our beliefs, but we do so without violence or accepting of others' violence, no matter their political affiliation.

We ask all those who believe in America and her Constitution, to stand with us in the months and years ahead, as we fight for the heart and soul of our nation. We will stand against the far Left's Socialist agenda, and we will stand against Marxist attacks on our nation. We The People can save our country, this land that we love. And it starts right here, in our communities.

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