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Raymond K. Price Jr., a top White House speechwriter who wrote former President Nixon's resignation speech, has resigned himself, it was announced yesterday.

Price, 44, who worked in the Nixon White House for nearly six years, submitted his resignation October 16 and President Ford accepted it a week later. The resignation becomes effective November 8.

"History will one day record the important achievements of these past years, "Mr. Ford wrote Price. "But at the time these events were unfolding you had the difficult task of helping to articulate them to the American people. That you were able to do so in such a clear and compelling manner is tribute not only to your skills as a writer but also to your impressive knowledge and understanding on national and world affairs."

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