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**Views On Tapes Surrender**

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Area Republican members of Congress expressed support for President Nixon's decision to give Judge John J. Sirica the White House tapes and they said they believed it is unlikely now that there will be any serious moves for impeachment.

But, some area Democrats said they intend to continue efforts aimed at impeachment and they said they believe Special Watergate Prosecutor Archibald Cox ought to be reinstated.

"I don't think there is any question but that it will cool the situation off somewhat," Rep. Joel T. Broyhill (R-Va.) said after the news of the President's decision reached the House floor.

"I hold nothing wrong with an investigation by Congress," Broyhill said. "There's nothing wrong with that. It's when they talk about impeachment without knowing the facts, that is wrong." Broyhill said he expected partisan Democrats to continue pushing for impeachment.

Rep. Lawrence J. Hogan (R-Md.) said that the President's decision "pulled the

rug out from under (those calling for impeachment) completely. I don't see how the House Judiciary Committee could proceed on impeachment. I don't see any grounds." Hogan is a member of the Judiciary Committee.

Earlier in the day, Hogan had urged that the House turn its attention to confirming vice presidential nominee Rep. Gerald Ford (R-Mich.) before it concerned itself with other issues.

Rep. Stanford Parris (R-Va.) said he was "delighted by the President's action on the tapes," and that the only question remaining was how the continuing investigation of the Watergate affair should be conducted.

"I think probably a congressional investigation would be preferable to leaving it in the Justice Department," Parris said.

"Everybody has been calling for complete disclosure," Rep. Marjorie Holt (R-Md.) said. "If the tapes disclose what we want, O.K. If not, then we still should take a look at the situation," Mrs. Holt said.

She said she favored an

investigation by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Before White House aides announced the President's decision, Rep. Gilbert Gude (R-Md.) had said that Congress should retain Cox to continue the investigation. He could not be reached for comment after the decision to release the tapes.

Rep. M. Caldwell Butler (R-Va.) said he was pleased with the President's action, which "goes a long way toward cooling the emotional atmosphere that developed as a result of the events of last week."

Rep. Parren Mitchell (D-Md.), who introduced a resolution calling for impeachment was unmoved by Mr. Nixon's decision to turn the tapes over to Sirica.

The President's compromise offer on the tapes and the firing of Cox were "the last in a series of facts and offenses for which we believe the President is impeachable," Mitchell said. He said Mr. Nixon's impoundment of funds appropriated by Congress and the dismantling of Federal agencies with Congressional approval were other impeachable offenses, he said.