SFChronicle JAN 1 9 1974 A Catholic Stand on Impeachment

The Commission of Social Justice of the Archdiocese of San Francisco approved a resolution yesterday calling for the impeachment of President Nixon.

It also urged Catholics throughout the Archdiocese to "study the issue and to communicate their positions to their Congressmen."

Commission C h a i r m a n Monsignor James B. Flynn emphasized the action should "not be interpreted as a prejudgment of the President's guilt.

"The commission considers the impeachment process a legitimate Constitutional means whereby the representatives of the people can determine whether or not there are grounds for removing the President from office.

"...at the same time, it is an opportunity for the President to defend himself before the only constitutionally recognized forum available to him as President."

Monsignor Flynn said the resolution followed severat months of study.