

# IMPEACHMENT

## Massive impeachment outpouring needed now

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Since I started working on the impeachment campaign sometime in late September a great deal has happened. I can now, without hesitation, name all 38 members of the Judiciary Committee. On command I can recite (with or without inflection) the entire conversation that took place in the Oval Office on March 21st...Peter Rodino and I have developed a 'meaningful relationship' and I consider him to be one of the best pen-pals I've ever had... **BUT RICHARD NIXON IS STILL PRESIDENT.**

There are times, I must admit, that I begin to feel rather discouraged by it all. However, upon reflection certain positive thoughts keep re-occurring. In September the ACLU was a lonely voice, somewhere off in the distance, but by mid October what had once been considered an exercise in futility had become a "cause celebre."

No longer do I feel that perhaps the word impeach should not be used in mixed company. I now hear that word being used on T.V. without being bleeped. The latest polls indicate that the public has accepted the idea of impeachment as part of the political process, rather than an act of disloyalty. It's taken almost ten months to reach this point and the end is now in

sight. It's been a long haul and most of us are beginning to show definite signs of battle fatigue.

There is still more for us to do, the Judiciary Committee has voted to send 3 Articles of Impeachment to the full House for a vote. Therefore the time has come again for us to generate a great deal of mail to the House demanding a "yea" vote on impeachment. Even if your representative has said he intends to vote for impeachment, it helps if he can exploit the fact that his mail from home is overwhelmingly in support of his position.

The sheer volume of mail received by the House in a given period of time acts as a positive force. It worked after the Cox firing and it will work again. There are two very well organized and financed groups generating a great deal of mail in support of the President.

In the last month or so because of their effort, they have been able to tip the balance of mail received by the House so that it is running in opposition to impeachment. We've worked too hard and too long to allow this last minute deluge to wipe out what we have been able to achieve.

Sit down right now and write a strongly worded letter to your representative and send a copy to the House leadership of both parties. Keep the letter where it can

be picked up and mailed immediately. Mail it out as soon as the House nears the conclusion of its debate on the Articles of Impeachment and is preparing to vote.

Ask your friends and neighbors to do the same thing. We must be prepared to generate enough mail to equal or surpass the amount received after the firing of Archibald Cox. We have already forwarded to Washington petitions bearing the names of over 60,000 Northern Californians who are demanding the

impeachment of Richard Nixon.

The issues raised in Article No. 2, are of special interest to ACLU. Imbodied in these articles are the major violations of civil liberties — i.e., amendment rights — stress these issues in your letters.

If all goes well, perhaps by October I can add to the list of things I've been able to do since I took on this job, the ability to name without hesitation the names of 67 Senators who voted for the conviction of Richard Nixon.

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Mathias and Talcott are the only two Northern California Delegates who oppose impeachment — if you live in these districts really go all out.

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