

in over seventy years, Congress should be working to strengthen the relationships with our fellow democracies, not passing poorly written messaging bills that will alienate our friends and allies. As Ranking Member of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, I know just how crucial it is to maintain relationships with our NATO allies. This weekend I will join the Minnesota National Guard in celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Norwegian Reciprocal Troop Exchange—the longest-running military partnership between 2 nations. Make no mistake, this resolution is not just an insult to the Norwegian government, but an insult to the Norwegian Home Guard and Norwegian Armed Forces who sacrifice to defend their nation from the Russian threat.

The Republican majority was even offered the opportunity to soften this resolution before bringing it to the floor. House Democrats offered amendments in the Rules Committee that would clarify the resolution's intent, including language stating that nothing in the resolution should be seen to condemn long-time Federal programs like Medicare, Social Security or VA Healthcare that impact all our constituencies. Another amendment included language condemning fascism and the mass murder of 6 million Jewish people by the Nazi regime. Unfortunately, all these amendments were rejected by Republicans.

Mr. Speaker, it is telling that a month into the 118th Congress, House Republicans have nothing to offer the American public but to waste their time with political stunts like this.

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, today's Resolution, falsely conflating socialism with communism, is the latest in a long history of Republican scare tactics about Democrats and socialism.

In 1935, Republican Representative Robert Rich said here in this chamber, "Roosevelt is a socialist, not a Democrat."

In 1946, during the Truman Administration, Republican Senator Robert Taft called a national health insurance bill "the most socialistic measure that this Congress has ever had before it."

In the 1960 election, Republican Senator Barry Goldwater called the platform of John F. Kennedy "a blueprint for socialism."

In 1964, when Lyndon Johnson passed Medicare, George H.W. Bush called it "socialized medicine."

In 1976, Barry Goldwater claimed that Jimmy Carter would bring about a "suicidal slide toward socialism."

In 1993, Newt Gingrich called the Clinton health care plan "socialism now or later."

Barrack Obama was routinely called a socialist, including by three of the Republican candidates in the 2012 election.

And several Members of this House have called Joe Biden's bipartisan infrastructure law "socialist."

Having reviewed this history, it's clear that this Resolution denouncing the horrors of "socialism" is an attempt by Republicans to trap Democrats on a vote by tying them to socialism.

I neither admire nor ascribe to socialism, and the merits of this Resolution are none, in my view. It makes no mention of the real threats to democracy like Vladimir Putin's invasion of Ukraine, the right-wing attack on the Capitol two years ago, and the challenge to our democracy of the movements of white nationalism, election denialism, the alt-right, and fascism.

Let's end these cynical debates about socialism and get back to the work our constituents sent us to Washington to do.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in opposition to H. Con. Res. 9—"Denouncing the Horrors of Socialism".

It is not a logical response to policies that help Americans i.e. Social Security.

Republicans don't want to take action to raise wages for workers or reduce costs of living for Americans.

Instead, they are spending valuable floor time on meaningless resolutions that will do nothing for the American people with the goal of dividing Democrats with "gotcha" votes.

Let's be clear: no matter how Democrats vote on this resolution, Republicans will not stop condemning Democrats for being "socialists."

This resolution will not change that.

The Republicans' resolution ends with a resolve clause that denounces "socialism in all its forms."

This is a direct insult to many countries the United States counts among its allies—including NATO member states Spain, Germany and Portugal—which are governed by parties or heads of state that identify as social democratic or socialist.

Many Nordic countries, as well as Canada and New Zealand, have adopted socialist ideas and policies to various degrees.

The resolution "opposes the implementation of socialist policies in the United States of America," which Republicans themselves have tied to the core policy goals of the Democratic Caucus.

This is a bad-faith attempt to smear our agenda and crudely conflate Western European-style social democracy with antidemocratic, totalitarian regimes of Stalin and Kim Jong Il.

Democrats should not dignify this deeply unserious and blatantly disingenuous effort and politicalized stunt.

Throughout history, every effort by Democrats to advance a fairer society for working people has been attacked as "socialism," from the New Deal to the advent of Medicare.

Libraries, K-12 public education and the Postal Service could also fit within Republicans' denunciation of "socialism in all of its forms," and would be painted as "fundamentally and necessarily opposed" to the foundation of the United States according to this resolution.

Republicans still routinely brand wildly popular policies that Democrats advance as "socialism," "collectivism," and "anti-American," including the Affordable Care Act, Medicaid expansion, lowering prescription drug prices, expanded Social Security, tax fairness for the wealthy and large corporations, a \$15 minimum wage, and climate action.

The "-ism" that the House should be condemning is authoritarianism—but Republicans are too busy worshipping at the altar of Donald Trump, who called for the "termination" of the Constitution, to do that.

This resolution is nothing but a shallow attempt by Republicans to distract the American people from their own far-right, authoritarian leanings, complicity in the January 6 insurrection, and coziness with white supremacy and antisemitism.

Republicans are showing us who they are: by gutting Social Security and Medicare and protecting billionaire power.

The American people know that the "threat" of socialism is not real. Real threats to America include an insurrection against our democracy and attempts to overturn the results of the 2020 election, abetted by House Republicans, as well as economic hostage-taking with the risk of triggering a recession by letting America default on its financial obligations.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 83, the previous question is ordered on the concurrent resolution and the preamble.

The question is on the adoption of the concurrent resolution.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. MCHENRY. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

#### REMOVING A CERTAIN MEMBER FROM A CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE

Mr. GUEST. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 83, I call up the resolution (H. Res. 76) removing a certain Member from a certain standing committee of the House, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 83, the resolution is considered read.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

#### H. RES. 76

Whereas clause 1 of rule XXIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives provides, "A Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, officer, or employee of the House shall behave at all times in a manner that shall reflect creditably on the House";

Whereas on February 10, 2019, Representative Ilhan Omar suggested that Jewish people and the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) were buying political support, saying, "It's all about the Benjamins, baby," leading to condemnation from Republicans and Democrats alike for her use of an anti-Semitic trope;

Whereas on February 11, 2019, Congressional Democratic Leadership issued a joint statement in response to Representative Omar, saying, "Anti-Semitism must be called out, confronted and condemned whenever it is encountered, without exception";

Whereas on February 27, 2019, Representative Omar doubled down on her stance at a forum in Washington, DC, by saying, "I want to talk about the political influence in this country that says it is OK for people to push for allegiance to a foreign country";

Whereas then-Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs Eliot Engel condemned Representative Omar's comments by stating "It's unacceptable and deeply offensive to call into question the loyalty of fellow American citizens because of their political views, including support for the U.S.-Israel relationship. We all take the same oath. Worse, Representative Omar's comments leveled that charge by invoking a vile anti-Semitic slur";

Whereas Chairman Engel went on to say that such comments have "no place in the

Foreign Affairs Committee or the House of Representatives”;

Whereas in March 2019, Representative Omar trivialized the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, that killed 2,977 people by describing it as “some people did something”;

Whereas on May 16, 2021, Representative Omar referred to Israel as “an apartheid state,” and went on to say that those who refused such a characterization needed to, “get on the right side of history”;

Whereas on June 7, 2021, Representative Omar equated the United States and Israel with Hamas and the Taliban by stating “We must have the same level of accountability and justice for all victims of crimes against humanity. We have seen unthinkable atrocities committed by the U.S., Hamas, Israel, Afghanistan, and the Taliban”, establishing a false equivalency between Israel—which has the right and responsibility to protect itself and its citizens from all forms of terrorism—and Hamas, a foreign terrorist organization actively engaged in committing war crimes, including using civilians as human shields, which is banned under customary international humanitarian law;

Whereas twelve Democratic members decried Representative Omar’s newest round of statements, saying: “Equating the United States and Israel to Hamas and the Taliban is as offensive as it is misguided”;

Whereas when asked by the media whether she regretted her comments, Representative Omar responded, “I don’t”;

Whereas all Members—both Republicans and Democrats alike—who seek to serve on the Committee on Foreign Affairs should be held to an equal standard of conduct due to the international sensitivities and national security concerns under the jurisdiction of this committee;

Whereas any Member reserves the right to bring a case before the Committee on Ethics as grounds for an appeal to the Speaker of the House for reconsideration of any committee removal decision;

Whereas Representative Omar, by her own words, has disqualified herself from serving on the Committee on Foreign Affairs, a panel that is viewed by nations around the world as speaking for Congress on matters of international importance and national security; and

Whereas Representative Omar’s comments have brought dishonor to the House of Representatives: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the following named Member be, and is hereby, removed from the following standing committee of the House of Representatives:

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS: Ms. Omar.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The resolution shall be debatable for 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking member of the Committee on Ethics or their respective designees.

The gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. GUEST) and the gentlewoman from Pennsylvania (Ms. WILD) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. GUEST).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GUEST. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H. Res. 76.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Mississippi?

There was no objection.

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Mr. GUEST. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I come today to the floor pursuant to the process put in place by the previous majority in the 117th Congress. At that time, I served as a member on the House Ethics Committee. Today, I serve as chair of that committee.

Roughly 2 years ago, on February 4, 2021, I publicly warned of the dangerous precedent set by the previous majority as they put in place an unprecedented process to remove minority Members from their committee assignments.

Two years ago, Democrats offered a resolution. That resolution, based on clause 1, House rule XXIII, removed a Republican Member from all committees and referred the matter to the House Ethics Committee.

However, the process instituted at that time by Speaker NANCY PELOSI, bypassed any Ethics Committee involvement and brought the matter directly to the House floor for a vote.

I, and many other Republicans, warned that this majority veto over the minority party’s committee assignment appointments removed important rights of the minority party. Republican Members also warned that this process set a precedent that future majorities would follow to remove Members from committee assignments.

Following the roadmap previously approved by the Democrat-controlled 117th Congress, we are here today to debate and to consider H. Res. 76, a resolution to remove Representative OMAR from serving on the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Today’s resolution, as it relates to Representative OMAR, details six statements she made as a sitting Member of Congress that, under the totality of the circumstances, disqualify her from serving on the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

It is important to note that this resolution is very narrowly tailored and does not prevent Representative OMAR from serving on other committees. H. Res. 76, instead, simply states that she cannot serve on a committee that receives classified briefings and is responsible for maintaining international diplomacy.

The Committee on Foreign Affairs is a prestigious committee, viewed by nations around the world, both allies and adversaries, as speaking for Congress on matters of international importance and national security.

All Members, both Republicans and Democrats alike, who seek to serve on the Committee on Foreign Affairs should be held to the highest standard of conduct due to the international sensitivity and national security concerns under the jurisdiction of this committee.

Based upon the important mission of this committee and the precedent previously set to remove Members from

their committee assignments, I support this resolution today.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WILD. Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to this resolution, and I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise as the ranking member of the Ethics Committee, a body that I am proud to have served on throughout my entire time in Congress. I also rise as a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, which I have also served on throughout my time in Congress.

Many people don’t understand the nature of the Ethics Committee. It is a unique body within this Congress. It consists of an equal number of Democrats and Republicans, and it offers a mechanism by which complaints against Members of Congress and high-ranking staff can be vetted, investigated, and adjudicated on pretty much a confidential basis by the members of the committee.

I am very pleased that—and this may really surprise people to know—that we often come to completely unanimous decisions in that very bipartisan committee.

So, with that said, I am disappointed that my colleagues in the majority are choosing as one of their very first exercises of authority in this Congress to pursue vengeance over governance.

Governance would be to allow this resolution, which has been referred to the Ethics Committee, to proceed through the committee’s regular process.

The Ethics Committee is charged with determining whether Member behavior violates the Code of Official Conduct and, when warranted by a violation, recommending that the House adopt sanctions or restrict certain privileges like service on committees.

I strongly urge a return to the days of civility, which would be nice to see here in this body, and which I think the American people would very much welcome. One of the ways of doing that is to have this Chamber allow the Ethics Committee to do its work, so that we avoid a situation where every couple of years, when there is a transfer of power between one party to the other, we don’t see these constant efforts to boot people from committees based on past actions.

If a Member does something egregious that is worthy of a complaint, any Member can bring a complaint to the Ethics Committee, and it can be dealt with there.

The majority is seeking to advance this resolution before the Ethics Committee, and yet, the Ethics Committee has not yet even adopted its rules, held an organizational meeting, or convened for the first time this Congress.

I want to address the issue of due process. During the Rules Committee meeting leading up to today’s vote, a number of concerns were expressed, and it has been reported in the media as well, concerns about due process.

The resolution, H. Res. 76, claims that any Member reserves the right to

bring a case before the Committee on Ethics as grounds for an appeal to the Speaker of the House for reconsideration of any committee removal decision. Notably, that language is contained in one of the whereas clauses, not in the resolved clause, which is the only binding part of this resolution.

By the way, it has even been conceded by Members of the GOP that the whereas clause, the quote is, “merely references an existing process and in no way begins an appeal procedure or guarantees her committee seat will be reconsidered. It’s nonbinding and not actionable,” a senior GOP aide told Politico on Tuesday.

Well, in fact, I agree with that quote, with the exception of where it says that the clause references an existing process. There is no such existing process. There is no due process at all afforded to the Member who is being sought to be removed from a committee, and that is not due process.

I say that to address the many, many concerns that I have heard from Members on the other side of the aisle, from members of the Rules Committee. There is no due process in this House Resolution.

Once the full House votes to strip a Member of a right or privilege, only the full House can restore that right or privilege. Allowing Representative OMAR to appeal to the Ethics Committee after the House has already voted to deny her a seat on the House Foreign Affairs Committee would be nonsensical and it would be a defective process.

It is the wrong order of things, and it violates how the Ethics Committee has operated ever since its creation as a standing committee of the House in 1967, where the committee recommends a sanction after a full investigation and adjudication, and the Member is allowed to present evidence and make their case, and then the full House votes on the committee’s recommendation for sanctions.

H. Res. 76 violates the spirit of how our unique committee, the House’s only evenly divided, truly bipartisan standing committee operates.

This is about partisanship, Mr. Speaker, not principle. This is about payback, not process.

H. Res. 76 is wholly transparent for what it is, and I firmly oppose its passage.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. GUEST. Mr. Speaker, before I yield time to the gentleman from Ohio, I do want to point out that H. Res. 72 of the 117th Congress, which is the resolution that stripped MARJORIE TAYLOR GREENE of her committee assignments, contained no language whatsoever relating to due process and set forth no appeals process for her to be able to appeal the ruling of the body as a whole.

I will say that the resolution that we are debating today does contain language as to an appellate process. So I do believe that the resolution that we are debating today does contain addi-

tional rights to the Member that we are seeking to remove than what was offered in H. Res. 72 as it relates to MARJORIE TAYLOR GREENE.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 6 minutes to the gentleman from the great State of Ohio (Mr. MILLER).

Mr. MILLER of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Mississippi for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, the House Committee on Foreign Affairs has broad jurisdiction over national security and foreign policy, peacekeeping and peace enforcement, international law, and the promotion of democracy, and many other critical issues that require its members to be both objective and credible.

Members of the Committee on Foreign Affairs represent the United States abroad and are regarded as credible emissaries of American foreign policy. Their words have significant weight in guiding our relations with other countries and are relied upon by world leaders, most importantly, our allies such as Israel, the forever home of the Jewish people.

But what happens when a committee member is no longer viewed as a credible emissary of our foreign policy?

What if a Member is barred from visiting one of our allies because of their prejudiced comments?

How can Members who are unable to engage with our allies in a constructive manner be considered credible members of the committee?

Well, the gentlewoman’s discriminatory comments disqualified her from traveling to Israel in 2019. Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu would not allow Representative OMAR to enter, saying, “We respect all political parties in the United States equally; however, we also respect ourselves. Whoever comes to impose boycotts on us and to deny the legitimacy of the State of Israel, we will not allow them entry.”

Yes, the gentlewoman disqualified herself from entry into one of the most important countries allied with the United States.

Over the past 75 years, Israel has been a steadfast ally of the United States. Israel has stood by us through the volatility in the Middle East, and this alliance has been critical to our own national security.

How can someone not welcomed by one of our most important allies serve as an emissary of American foreign policy on the Foreign Affairs Committee?

Given her biased comments against Israel and against the Jewish people, how can she serve as an objective decisionmaker on the committee?

Let’s take a look at some of the gentlewoman’s comments.

In February of 2019, barely more than a month after becoming a Member of this body, Representative OMAR suggested that the Jewish people and the American Israel Public Affairs Committee were buying political support,

writing on Twitter, “It’s all about the Benjamins baby,” clearly amplifying an anti-Semitic stereotype about the Jewish people and money.

In response, Congressional Democratic leadership, her own party, immediately released a statement by saying, “Anti-Semitism must be called out, confronted, and condemned whenever it is encountered, without exception.”

Not long after Representative OMAR trivialized the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, by describing that day of infamy as “some people did something.” That is horrific.

“Some people did something.” Yes, Mr. Speaker, some people did do something. Some people committed evil acts of terrorism and killed nearly 3,000 Americans, and, in response, some thousands of our fellow citizens, myself included, enlisted in our Armed Forces to defend the gentlewoman’s right to make her prejudiced remarks. Many went off to combat and even died to defend that right.

But they did not die fighting to have their bravery and love of country undermined by a member of the House Foreign Affairs committee.

Mr. Speaker, I have no words to describe just how utterly unacceptable these comments are. But that is not all.

In 2021, the gentlewoman referred to Israel, which has the absolute right to defend itself against terrorism and attacks on its very existence, as an “apartheid state.”

She even equated the United States and Israel, countries that have stood as beacons of democracy, to the Taliban and Hamas, organizations that impose terror on their regions and the world.

Once again, even her Democrat colleagues swiftly condemned her comment. Twelve Democrat Members of this body released a statement which noted, “Equating the United States and Israel to Hamas and the Taliban is as offensive as it is misguided. Ignoring the differences between democracies governed by the rule of law and contemptible organizations that engage in terrorism at best discredits one’s intended argument and at worst reflects deep-seated prejudice.” That is from her own party.

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Some have decried this effort as a political game. Mr. Speaker, I assure you this is no political game. This resolution is not about engaging in a tit for tat with my colleagues on the other side of the aisle. This is about keeping someone with a long record of anti-Semitic and anti-Israel bias off the Foreign Affairs Committee, which needs objective emissaries for our foreign policy.

Even the Democrat former Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Eliot Engel, said that Representative OMAR’s anti-Semitic comments have “no place in the Foreign Affairs Committee or the House of Representatives.”

That was in addition to the previously mentioned joint statement from 12 of the gentlewoman's Democrat colleagues.

The facts are clear: Representative OMAR has espoused anti-Semitic and anti-Israel rhetoric time and time again. She cannot be an objective contributor to the work of the committee, and she has brought dishonor to the House of Representatives.

This body's committee, which is viewed by nations around the world as speaking for Congress on matters of international importance and national security, should not have a seat for a Member who would bring such dishonor to that committee.

I encourage all of my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to support this resolution to say with one voice that the United States House of Representatives does not condone hate and to reaffirm that we will always condemn anti-Semitism.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WILD. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. PHILLIPS), also a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, ILHAN OMAR and I are products of remarkably different life experiences. Hers began by fleeing civil war in Somalia before emigrating to the United States after 4 years in a Kenyan refugee camp, an experience that few, if any, of us in this room could possibly imagine.

My family came to America a century before hers seeking the same safety, security, and opportunity as they fled Russian pogroms targeting Jewish people in Eastern Europe. My life began by losing my father in the Vietnam war, an American tragedy that may well have been prevented had this very Chamber been filled with more voices like ILHAN OMAR's.

Now, don't get me wrong: Representative OMAR and I regularly disagree on policy, both domestic and foreign, and she has, at times, used words that have caused concern, offense, and even personal pain to me and others.

She and I have spoken face-to-face on those occasions, and she has apologized, and she continues to learn from those missteps.

Furthermore, she has never posted a video depicting herself decapitating and killing fellow Members of Congress. She doesn't question whether a plane really smashed into the Pentagon on 9/11. She does not wonder if school shootings in America are staged. She has not propagated the absurd notion that space lasers, financed by the Rothschild family, are the cause of wildfires in California. She has never equated vaccine mandates with Adolph Hitler. She has never, ever expressed support for executing leaders of the United States Congress.

Now, being a conspiracy theorist alone is not grounds for removal from committees. I will admit that. But de-

picting violence or supporting violence against fellow Members of Congress is grounds for removal, be it a Democrat or a Republican.

But no one has accused Representative OMAR of depicting or supporting violence against anyone in this Chamber.

So why will 90 percent of Jewish Members of the United States House of Representatives vote to maintain her committee assignment?

Quite simply because we believe in the human capacity to learn from mistakes, to make amends, and that atonement should be rewarded, not punished.

We also believe that the most dangerous acts by elected officials in a democracy are to silence voices of dissent, even those with which we fundamentally disagree. That is what this is about, silencing and canceling. How ironic.

Furthermore, this is the very weaponization of anti-Semitism that I, as a Jewish person, find repulsive. I find dangerous and, above else, shameful. Yes, shameful.

To my friends across the aisle: If you really are sincere about defeating anti-Semitism in America, how about ask us. How about ask us what we need. And let me assure you, you might be surprised by the answer.

Mr. GUEST. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. KUSTOFF).

Mr. KUSTOFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the resolution to remove Congresswoman OMAR from the House Foreign Affairs Committee for her anti-Semitic speech, comments, and rhetoric.

No doubt, words have meaning. When a Member of Congress stands in this Chamber or at home or in their district, the Nation and the world pays attention to what they say and how they say it.

When a Member of Congress makes hateful and anti-Semitic remarks, they are amplified. They are magnified even more so when that Member sits on the House Foreign Affairs Committee, the committee tasked with helping set policy and providing oversight over our Nation's relationship with Israel and with Jewish communities around the world.

It is imperative that this body not only speaks against anti-Semitism but also holds accountable those who spread such hateful beliefs.

As our Nation's leaders, we have the ability and the responsibility to help combat anti-Semitism and ensure that our children, tomorrow's leaders, are taught that such rhetoric is unacceptable.

Let's be clear: Anti-Semitism has no place in the Halls of Congress nor in our national conversation.

I stand here today, in solidarity with the Jewish community, to send a strong message that the United States House of Representatives does not tolerate such behavior.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support the resolution.

Ms. WILD. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Massachusetts (Ms. CLARK), the minority whip.

Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman from Pennsylvania for yielding.

The Speaker of the House wrote this week that removing Democrats from their committees was motivated by integrity.

Integrity? Is that the quality of honesty and acting with moral principle?

There is no integrity here.

Congresswoman OMAR is a committed, hardworking, and highly valued member of the Foreign Affairs Committee. A refugee and a survivor of war, she knows firsthand how much is at stake in its work. It is too serious of a subject to be subjected to partisan games by the Republican majority. But that is how the GOP has decided to govern: not with solutions, but with political stunts.

How can my colleagues across the aisle talk about integrity and honor as they empower the most extreme voices in their party? As they claim due process has been added in when there is none? As they promote conspiracy theories?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentlewoman has expired.

Ms. WILD. Mr. Speaker, I yield the gentlewoman from Massachusetts an additional 30 seconds.

Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, as they stack some of our most critical committees with election deniers?

It is too late to inject integrity into this sham process, but we, as Members, can inject our own by voting "no" on this resolution.

Mr. GUEST. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. MALLIOTAKIS).

Ms. MALLIOTAKIS. Mr. Speaker, we have heard from my colleagues the reasons why Representative OMAR should be removed from this committee, but I feel like all the reasons have not just yet been stated, which is why I rise to add to the RECORD.

We have heard about the comments that were made regarding anti-Semitism and anti-Israeli views, but I rise to add to the RECORD that as a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, I have sat there and heard the Representative actually spew anti-American rhetoric, as well.

I have been in that committee room where the Representative equates Israel and the United States to Hamas and the Taliban. Absolutely unacceptable for a member of that committee.

I have also heard the Representative equate that it is the United States' fault that there is turmoil in Venezuela; that it is not because of the oppressive socialism and communism that has spread throughout Central and South America and Venezuela at the hands of the Maduro and Hugo Chavez regimes. That is unacceptable.

As a New York Representative, to hear the Representative belittle, to try to diminish the worst terrorist attack on United States soil on September 11, 2001, as “some people did something,” that is unacceptable, as well.

And I hold the same standard for this side of the aisle that I do the other, because when another colleague on my side said something about 9/11, I also voted to have her removed from the Committee on Education and Labor, because I thought that was inappropriate.

So I am being consistent here, and I hope my colleagues will do the same, to show that this is about consistency and accountability. Because we should not have an individual with those views on the committee that is tasked with representing our country and our Congress to foreign nations.

Ms. WILD. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER), the former majority leader.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to make the point: The two individuals that we removed from committees were not removed for their speech. They were removed because they made threats against other Members.

This one was made before the Representative came. Mr. GOSAR's, of course, was made during, but both were removed because of the threat they posed to three of our colleagues; not because of their speech but because of their threat with an AK-47 or AR-15—I am not sure which that gun is—and promoting themselves as the biggest nightmare to three of our colleagues, and Mr. GOSAR portraying the murder of one of our colleagues.

There is no equivalency here. We believe in free speech, however hateful that speech is. I will tell you, I take a back seat to no one in this Chamber in my support of Israel and against anti-Semitism, to no one, and my record reflects that.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

Ms. WILD. Mr. Speaker, I yield the gentleman from Maryland an additional 30 seconds.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, the equivalency that has been made here is absolutely without merit, and you go down a terrible road.

I do not agree with the statements that were made. I oppose them. I said on this floor that I opposed them.

But by golly, there are a whole lot of your folks over there that I disagree with vehemently who rationalized insurrection and that would be a reason for me to vote for having them off a committee. But that is not how we operate.

But if a Member threatens another Member, that is a different kettle of fish altogether.

Mr. Speaker, I oppose this resolution and urge its rejection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to direct their remarks to the Chair.

Mr. GUEST. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentlewoman from Indiana (Mrs. SPARTZ).

Mrs. SPARTZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise to comment on this resolution.

Our country was founded on the principle of protecting the rights of the minority. It is considered a republic for a reason because our Founding Fathers understood that majority rule can lead to tyranny from the majority, mob rule, and dictatorship.

Last Congress, Speaker PELOSI and the Democrat majority took unprecedented actions removing minority party Members from committees. They also made a resolution of inquiry, which they used against the Republican administration, and also eliminated the ability for the minority party.

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It was very disappointing. What I ask—you know, I want to differentiate this resolution for Speaker MCCARTHY. He added explicitly to this resolution to make sure that we apply the same standard not just to Democrats but also to Republicans—and it is actually stated in this resolution—and also added that, you know, we might look into a process of appeal.

I agree with the gentlewoman from Pennsylvania that we didn't have any due process because it was unprecedented what was done by her party. So maybe at least the committee could have the ability to look if there is a way to look at the process if that is going to be continued.

I hope maybe we can reconcile it and have better collaboration as two parties, as we were talking today at the prayer breakfast, on a bipartisan basis. I think it is important for us to really look at us as a body and start respecting the minority.

Unfortunately, the other party started this unprecedented action when they were in the majority, and we have to work on that; how we can reconcile.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I completely concur with the gentlewoman from Indiana that we need a better process, and one that affords due process, but this resolution does not.

Madam Speaker, I yield 4 minutes to the gentleman from New York (Mr. MEEKS), the ranking member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, the former chairman.

Mr. MEEKS. Madam Speaker, it is undeniable that Representative OMAR has made what has been considered to be offensive anti-Semitic comments in the past. It is also undeniable that Representative OMAR has apologized, learned, and been a reliable and productive member of the Foreign Affairs Committee. I have watched her work with her colleagues on both sides of the aisle. She cares about her country. She cares about our national security. She cares about diplomacy.

Her perspective is invaluable to the House Foreign Affairs Committee. She is a refugee, and the only African-born

Muslim member of the Foreign Affairs Committee. We know that diverse perspectives strengthen our policymaking and national security. Losing Representative OMAR's voice on the committee to extremist politics would be a shameful mark on this body, harmful to the interest of the American people and our image abroad, and damage to democracy itself.

I also know the sheer hypocrisy of Speaker MCCARTHY and Members of his party looking to deny Representative OMAR's seat on the Foreign Affairs Committee is rich.

This resolution is not about addressing dishonor or respect for the House. This resolution is not about addressing anti-Semitism. If it were, there would be other Members named in this resolution.

For example, in October of 2018, a Republican Member tweeted: We cannot allow Soros, Steyer, and Bloomberg to buy this election. Get out and vote for Republicans on November 6. MAGA. That was the Speaker of the House.

The tweet included a video featuring that Member discussing George Soros, Tom Steyer, and former New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, all Jewish men who are significant donors of the Democratic campaigns and causes. Were these the only wealthy Democratic donors he could choose from?

Jewish money buying elections is a stereotype about the Jewish faith popular among the alt-right. I recall no apology—unlike Representative OMAR—to or for this tweet. This is far from the only example of the hypocrisy.

Representatives on the Republican side have defended and agreed with well-known white supremacist and anti-Semite Nick Fuentes, and spoke at Fuentes' events.

Other Republican Members have claimed that Zionist supremacists are conspiring to flood Europe with migrants in order to replace the White populations there.

My Republican colleagues have quoted Adolf Hitler in congressional remarks, promoted the “Great Replacement Theory,” and invited a Holocaust denier to the State of the Union.

Finally, when the Congress moved a House resolution condemning anti-Semitism, there was only one Member that voted against it—and it wasn't a Democrat.

Why is this Member being targeted today?

We do not have time to go through the entire list of objectionable remarks that the other side has made. The point is, none of these comments caused any of the Members who made them to be removed from committees; not removed from the Education and Labor Committee, not removed from the Judiciary Committee, not removed from the Armed Services Committee, not removed from the Homeland Security Committee. A blatant double standard is being applied here.

Something just doesn't add up. What is the difference between Representative OMAR and these Members?



Could it be the way that she looks? Could it be her religious practices?

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. MALLIOTAKIS). The time of the gentleman has expired.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I yield an additional 15 seconds to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. MEEKS. Madam Speaker, it is clear, if she were on the other side of the aisle, we would not be having this debate today. That is absolutely clear.

The GOP was not outraged when Donald Trump broke bread with the anti-Semitic Holocaust deniers at his Florida mansion. There was no outrage when Donald Trump's tweets deployed images of the Star of David and stacks of currency. We need to vote "no" and stand up for democracy. Representative OMAR needs to remain and be productive on the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from New York (Mr. LAWLER).

Mr. LAWLER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to speak in support of H. Res. 76. This is not about vengeance or retribution; it is about accountability.

I represent New York's 17th Congressional District, home to one of the largest Jewish populations in the country. Between Westchester, Rockland, Putnam, and Dutchess counties, I represent almost 100,000 constituents that practice the Jewish faith.

I take the scourge of anti-Semitism very seriously. It is something that must be rooted out in our society, as well as in the Halls of Congress.

No one who peddles in anti-Semitic activity, behavior, or language should have any right to serve on the House Foreign Affairs Committee, which has an incredibly important role to play in partnering with our strongest ally, the State of Israel.

Two of my predecessors, Ben Gilman and Eliot Engel, served as chairs of this important committee. Israel's continued existence as a beacon of liberty, democracy, and peace in the Middle East serves as a model for other nations in the region and is something we should be celebrating, not demeaning.

Comments made by Members of this body about support for Israel being "all about the Benjamins," or that the State of Israel is engaging in apartheid are appalling, wrong, and disqualifying.

Additionally, those who dismiss 9/11 as some people who did something, are you kidding me? It was a terrorist attack. It wasn't some people doing something. Or to equate the United States and Israel, both democratic nations, to the Taliban and Hamas, and those who promote the anti-Semitic BDS movement—you are damn right they need to be held accountable.

As a Member that represents a district that suffered greatly due to 9/11, and still has constituents grappling with the effects of that horrific, tragic day, dying of 9/11 health-related situations, I find those remarks jarring, alarming, and insulting.

To be clear, the Representative can say whatever the heck she wants, but we don't have to accept it or embrace it. Individuals who hold such hateful views should rightly be barred from that type of committee. We cannot let the poisonous ideology of anti-Semitism permeate into policy decisions that impact the lives of millions of Jews around the world.

I will stand up to anti-Semitism and defend Israel's right to exist and the right of Jews everywhere to practice their faith peacefully and safely. This is not about silencing anyone. The rise in anti-Semitism is significant, and these hate crimes have not been prosecuted.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I yield an additional 15 seconds to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. LAWLER. Madam Speaker, words matter. Rhetoric matters. It leads to harm. The Congresswoman is being held accountable for her words and her actions, and that is why I support this resolution.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from New York (Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ).

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Madam Speaker, as a fellow New Yorker, I think one of the things that we should talk about here is also one of the disgusting legacies after 9/11, which has been the targeting and racism against Muslim-Americans throughout the United States of America. This is an extension of that legacy.

Consistency? There is nothing consistent with the Republican Party's continued attack, except for the racism and incitement of violence against women of color in this body.

I had a Member of the Republican Caucus threaten my life, and the Republican Caucus rewarded him with one of the most prestigious committee assignments in this Congress. Don't tell me this is about consistency.

Don't tell me that this is about a condemnation of anti-Semitic remarks when you have a Member of the Republican Caucus who has talked about Jewish space lasers and an entire amount of tropes, and also elevated her to some of the highest committee assignments in this body.

This is about targeting women of color in the United States of America. Don't tell me—because I didn't get a single apology when my life was threatened.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Ms. PRESSLEY).

Ms. PRESSLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise in opposition to the rhetoric and resolution from across the aisle; our colleagues, who, once again, seek to make history for all the wrong reasons.

I rise on behalf of every little girl who sees herself in the leadership of Congresswoman OMAR. She is a mother,

daughter, refugee, advocate, skilled policymaker, a duly and decisively elected third-term Member to the U.S. House of Representatives.

I have spent time in the Minnesota Fifth. I have seen her pull her community through grief and loss. I have seen her stand arm-in-arm on picket lines with our educators and our nurses. I have seen her pass historic legislation to feed our babies in our schools.

She has built coalitions, given constituents in crisis a sense of agency and centered the most marginalized in word and deed.

No matter how embattled, no matter how racially profiled, no matter how targeted, she has pressed on for peace over militarization, human rights at home and abroad, a world where an education is a fundamental right and where gender equity is recognized. I want to live in that world. Let me make it plain: Congresswoman ILHAN OMAR is right where she belongs. Her work in Congress is needed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Florida, (Mr. GIMENEZ), my friend.

Mr. GIMENEZ. Madam Speaker, anti-Semitism has no place on the Foreign Affairs Committee. I will say it again: Anti-Semitism has no place on the Foreign Affairs Committee.

That is why Representative OMAR has no place specifically on the Foreign Affairs Committee, where Israel's security is one of the issues of critical importance.

Without a doubt, the democratic Jewish State of Israel is America's strongest ally in the Middle East and has a fundamental right to exist.

Representative OMAR has repeated anti-Semitic canards and perpetuated hateful tropes against the Jewish community. Her comments have compromised the ability of the House Foreign Affairs Committee to conduct its official business.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to vote in the affirmative to remove Representative OMAR from the Foreign Affairs Committee.

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Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Missouri (Ms. BUSH).

Ms. BUSH. Madam Speaker, St. Louis and I rise in support of Congresswoman ILHAN OMAR. I have been to her district. I have spoken with her constituents. We visited marginalized communities globally together. This institution is better because of her leadership, and the Foreign Affairs Committee benefits from her perspective.

Let's talk about what is really happening. Republicans are waging a blatantly Islamophobic and racist attack on Congresswoman OMAR.

I have said it before, and I will say it again: The white supremacy happening is unbelievable. This is despicable.

It is Congresswoman OMAR who has been harassed at her job for simply existing as a Muslim woman in Congress. It is she who has been attacked by a Member of this body, ridiculing her as a potential terrorist for simply existing as a Muslim woman in this Congress.

Rather than bring actual accountability, any accountability, to Congress, they bring this offensive resolution to the floor. This is just a bunch of racist gaslighting. We all know it. Vote "no."

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from California (Mr. SWALWELL).

Mr. SWALWELL. Madam Speaker, when I heard that we are going to remove a Member of this House from their committee for anti-Semitism, I raced down here because I thought, finally—finally—in this Chamber there is going to be some accountability, some accountability from this Conference that continues to allow its members to root for rioters, to show sympathy for the insurrection, a Conference that harbors a wanted international criminal and has members who choose violence over voting every single day. Finally.

I thought that if we were going to hold someone accountable for anti-Semitism, surely it is the author of this tweet: "Kanye. Elon. Trump." October 6, written by Chairman JIM JORDAN.

October 8, what does Kanye say? That he is going to declare "death con 3" on the Jews.

So, surely, this tweet came down, that it was deleted? No. Two more months it was kept up.

Don't come here looking at us for anti-Semitism. Look in your own damn mirror before you ever come over here.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WILD. How much time is remaining, Madam Speaker?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlewoman from Pennsylvania has 10¼ minutes remaining.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from the State of Washington (Ms. JAYAPAL).

Ms. JAYAPAL. Madam Speaker, this is a revenge resolution.

It is a revenge resolution that seeks to remove Representative ILHAN OMAR's strong and necessary voice from the Foreign Affairs Committee.

It is an attempt to silence her simply because you do not agree with her views and you cannot begin to understand her lived experience as a war survivor, as a refugee, and as somebody who brings an experience to this body that you are not even trying to understand.

We have previously voted, in a bipartisan manner, to remove individuals from their committee assignments because of their violent actions that endanger the safety of their colleagues.

That is not what today is about. Today is about revenge. It is also about the fact that Republicans want to distract the American people from the fact that they have absolutely no legislation to bring to the floor that is actually about helping the American people with their costs, with dealing with inflation.

You don't have any solutions, so you are trying to distract with these inane, insulting, absurd—absolutely absurd—resolutions.

Vote "no."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to direct their remarks to the Chair.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from California (Mr. SCHIFF).

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise in strong opposition to this resolution.

First, as to the false pretext, two members of the Republican Conference were removed from committees for inciting violence and encouraging violence against their colleagues. There is nothing at all at issue like that here.

If you want to introduce a resolution to condemn someone for inciting violence against a colleague or against people here in Congress, introduce a resolution against Donald J. Trump. No one has incited more violence against this Chamber than Donald Trump.

Now, let me talk about anti-Semitism.

Do not insult our intelligence by suggesting this is about anti-Semitism. If you want to introduce a resolution against someone guilty of anti-Semitism, then introduce a resolution against someone dining with anti-Semites, someone dining with white nationalists, members of your Conference who are speaking at white nationalist rallies.

Introduce a resolution against Donald J. Trump, MARJORIE TAYLOR GREENE, PAUL GOSAR, and others, but do not—do not—insult our intelligence by saying this is about anti-Semitism.

Vote "no" on this resolution.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. POCAN).

Mr. POCAN. Madam Speaker, this is a new low.

The majority party uplifts and seats on committees a Member who has a history of pathological lying but wants to remove someone who even Republican Members of Congress admit is a talented member of the Foreign Affairs Committee.

Madam Speaker, do you want to oust people for what they said?

How about a member of the majority party who has said that Jewish space lasers set forest fires in California? No. She is seated on a committee.

Multiple Republican Members have said that prominent Jewish Democrats

essentially bought control of Congress. They are not only given full congressional privileges, but the majority elects them to GOP leadership.

Republicans only draw a line when an incredibly productive member of a committee says something that she has apologized for. That doesn't add up.

This clearly isn't about what ILHAN OMAR said as much as who she is.

Being a smart, outspoken Black woman of the Muslim faith is apparently the issue, and some Republicans can't handle that, so they are going to kick her off the committee.

This is unbelievable bigotry. Shame on them.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Illinois (Ms. SCHAKOWSKY).

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Madam Speaker, I stand before my colleagues as a proud Jew and a proud friend and colleague of ILHAN OMAR.

I don't need any of you to defend me against anti-Semitism. My friend, ILHAN OMAR, and I have worked together on the values that I treasure as an American Jew and that she treasures as an American Islamic woman, the only one on the Foreign Affairs Committee. That is the third largest religion in the United States of America.

I am just furious. We have seen all kinds of anti-Semitism from the other side of the aisle.

As Americans, we should be welcoming differences. Vote "no" on this. We need to defend our values as Americans and my values as a Jew.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Michigan (Ms. TLAIB).

Ms. TLAIB. Desperation—so desperate to distract the American people from their total inability to govern, the GOP is now doing what it is best at: weaponizing hate against a Black, beautiful, Muslim woman.

Congresswoman OMAR's lived experience as a refugee and a childhood survivor of war should be welcomed on this committee. It is needed.

Madam Speaker, when you can't pass any bills that actually improve the people's lives, then they turn Congress into a place of fearmongering hate.

It is so painful to watch. How ironic that the so-called lovers of personal freedom are now moving to censor Congresswoman OMAR in the same week they introduced a bill to ban Federal employees from engaging in censorship.

Where are the free speech warriors today? The hypocrisy is obvious to the American people. The majority is showing who they are.

I know Congresswoman OMAR will not be silenced.

I say to Congresswoman OMAR: I am so sorry that our country is failing you today through this Chamber.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlewoman's time has expired. The gentlewoman is no longer recognized.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, how much time remains on my side of the aisle?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlewoman from Pennsylvania has 5¼ minutes remaining.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, for the purpose of closing, I yield the balance of my time to the gentlewoman from Minnesota (Ms. OMAR).

Ms. OMAR. Madam Speaker, this debate today is about who gets to be an American. What opinions do we have to have to be counted as Americans?

This is what this debate is about, Madam Speaker.

There is this idea that you are suspect if you are an immigrant or if you are from certain parts of the world or a certain skin tone or a Muslim.

It is no accident that members of the Republican Party accused the first Black President, Barack Obama, of being a secret Muslim. It is no accident that former President Donald Trump led a birther movement that falsely claimed he was born in Kenya because, to them, falsely labeling the first and only Black President of the United States of America a Muslim and an African immigrant somehow made him less American.

Well, I am Muslim. I am an immigrant and, interestingly, from Africa. Is anyone surprised that I am being targeted? Is anyone surprised that I am somehow deemed unworthy to speak about American foreign policy, or that they see me as a powerful voice that needs to be silenced?

Frankly, it is expected because when you push power, power pushes back.

Representation matters. Continuing to expand our ideas of who is American and who can partake in the American experiment is a good thing.

I am an American, an American who was sent here by her constituents to represent them in Congress, a refugee who survived the horrors of a civil war, someone who spent her childhood in a refugee camp. I am someone who knows what it means to have a shot at a better life here in the United States. I am someone who believes in the American Dream, the American possibility, and the promise and the ability to participate in the democratic process.

That is what this debate is about.

There is an idea out there that I do not have objective decisionmaking because of who I am, where I come from, and my perspective, but I reject that.

We say there is nothing objective about policymaking. We all inject our perspectives, our points of view, our lived experiences, and the voices of our constituents. That is what democracy is about.

What is the work of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Madam Speaker? It is not to cosign the stated foreign policy

of whatever administration is in power. It is about oversight. It is to critique and to advocate for a better path forward. Most importantly, it is to make the myth that American foreign policy is intrinsically moral, a reality.

I will continue to speak up because representation matters. I will continue to speak up for little kids who wonder who is speaking up for them. I will continue to speak up for families around the world who are seeking justice whether they are displaced in refugee camps or hiding under their beds somewhere, as I was, waiting for the bullets to stop because this child survivor of war would have wanted that.

The 9-year-old me would be disappointed if I didn't talk about the victims of conflict on behalf of those who are experiencing unjust wars, atrocities, ethnic cleansing, occupation, or displacement, as I did.

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They are looking to the international community and the United States, asking for help. They look to us because the international community and the United States profess the values of protecting human rights and upholding international law. We owe it to them not to make this a myth but a reality.

I didn't come to Congress to be silent. I came to Congress to be their voice, and my leadership and voice will not be diminished if I am not on this committee for one term. My voice will get louder and stronger, and my leadership will be celebrated around the world, as it has been.

So take your vote or not, I am here to stay, and I am here to be a voice against the harms around the world and advocate for a better world.

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time to close.

Madam Speaker, I adopt the comments that were made by the then-chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Eliot Engel.

In late February 2019, after a third anti-Semitic statement in just over 2 weeks—17 days, to be exact—then-chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee Eliot Engel said these words: "It's unacceptable and deeply offensive to call into question the loyalty of fellow American citizens because of their political views, including support for the U.S.-Israel relationship. We all take the same oath. Worse, Representative OMAR's comments leveled that charge by invoking a vile anti-Semitic slur."

Whereas, Chairman Engel went on to say that "such comments have 'no place in the Foreign Affairs Committee or the House of Representatives.'"

I agree with the statements made by Chairman Engel.

Not only do Representative OMAR's comments have no place in the Foreign Affairs Committee, I hold that anyone who makes such statements has no place serving on the Foreign Affairs Committee.

I ask all Members to support this resolution removing Ms. OMAR from the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to oppose H. Res. 76, the motion to remove Congresswoman ILHAN OMAR from the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Let's be frank. This is not about antisemitism. If we're going to have a conversation about antisemitism, let's start with Donald Trump inviting vile antisemites and neo-Nazis like Nick Fuentes to dine with him.

This vote today is a partisan, baseless attack of political vengeance and nothing more.

I want to make very clear what this country would lose without Congresswoman OMAR's representation on the Foreign Affairs Committee.

ILHAN, who I've had the pleasure of getting to know well over the years, is an experienced, dedicated, talented legislator and public servant. She is a survivor of war who knows first-hand the trauma of conflict and life in a refugee camp. And she would be the first African-born member to serve as a Ranking Member of the Africa Subcommittee.

Republicans are taking this action at the same moment that we are working to rebuild relationships with the people of Africa—at the same time that China emerges as a powerful force on the continent. By treating Congresswoman OMAR this way, we are silencing the voice of a woman who knows firsthand what is needed to repair our relationships on the African continent and allow it to thrive, as opposed to castigating African nations as "Shole" countries like the former president and leader of the Republican party shamefully did.

Stripping her from this committee is not only undemocratic. It is a shame, a disgrace, and a profound loss for the people of the United States. I urge my colleagues to do the right thing, to stand with ILHAN, and to vote against this bigoted resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. All time for debate has expired.

Pursuant to House Resolution 83, the previous question is ordered on the resolution and the preamble.

The question is on adoption of the resolution.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members will record their votes by electronic device.

Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, this 15-minute vote on the adoption of the resolution will be followed by a 5-minute vote on adoption of H. Con. Res. 9.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 218, nays 211, answered "present" 1, not voting 4, as follows:

[Roll No. 105]

YEAS—218

Aderholt	Arrington	Banks
Alford	Babin	Barr
Allen	Bacon	Bean (FL)
Amodei	Baird	Bentz
Armstrong	Balderson	Bergman



Bice	Granger	Moolenaar	Huffman	Moskowitz	Scott (VA)	Balderson	Gonzales, Tony	Miller (OH)
Biggs	Graves (LA)	Mooney	Ivey	Moulton	Scott, David	Banks	Gonzalez,	Miller (WV)
Bilirakis	Graves (MO)	Moore (AL)	Jackson (IL)	Mrvan	Sewell	Barr	Vicente	Miller-Meeks
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Bost	Griffith	Murphy	Jacobs	Napolitano	Slotkin	Bera	Gosar	Moolenaar
Brecheen	Grothman	Nehls	Jayapal	Neguse	Smith (WA)	Bergman	Gottheimer	Mooney
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Bucshon	Hageman	Nunn (IA)	Kamlager-Dove	Ocasio-Cortez	Spanberger	Bilirakis	Graves (MO)	Moran
Burchett	Harris	Obernolte	Kaptur	Omar	Stansbury	Bishop (GA)	Green (TN)	Morelle
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Carey	Hinson	Pfluger	Kilmer	Payne	Sykes	Brecheen	Guthrie	Neguse
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Carter (TX)	Huizenga	Rogers (WA)	Kuster	Perez	Thompson (CA)	Buck	Harris	Nickel
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Ciscomani	Jackson (TX)	Rogers (KY)	Larsen (WA)	Pettersen	Titus	Budzinski	Hern	Norman
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Clyde	Johnson (OH)	Rouzer	Lee (NV)	Pocan	Tonko	Burlison	Hinson	Ogles
Cole	Johnson (SD)	Roy	Lee (PA)	Porter	Torres (CA)	Calvert	Horsford	Owens
Collins	Jordan	Rutherford	Leger Fernandez	Pressley	Torres (NY)	Comer	Houchin	Palmer
Comer	Joyce (PA)	Salazar	Levin	Quigley	Torres (NY)	Cammack	Houlihan	Panetta
Crane	Kean (NJ)	Santos	Lieu	Ramirez	Trahan	Carbajal	Hudson	Pappas
Crawford	Kelly (MS)	Scalise	Lofgren	Raskin	Trone	Carey	Huizenga	Pelosi
Crenshaw	Kelly (PA)	Schweikert	Lynch	Ross	Underwood	Carl	Issa	Peltola
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D'Esposito	Kiley	Self	Manning	Ruiz	Vasquez	Carter (LA)	Jackson (IL)	Perry
Davidson	Kim (CA)	Sessions	Matsui	Ruppersberger	Veasey	Carter (TX)	Jackson (NC)	Peters
De La Cruz	Kustoff	Simpson	McBath	Ryan	Velázquez	Cartwright	Jackson (TX)	Pettersen
DesJarlais	LaHood	Smith (MO)	McCollum	Salinas	Wasserman	Case	James	Pfluger
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Duarte	Lamborn	Smucker	Meeks	Scanlon	Watson Coleman	Cherfilus-	Johnson (OH)	Quigley
Duncan	Langworthy	Spartz	Menendez	Schakowsky	Wexton	McCormick	Johnson (SD)	Reschenthaler
Dunn (FL)	Latta	Staubert	Meng	Schiff	Wild	Ciscomani	Jordan	Rodgers (WA)
Edwards	LaTurner	Steel	Mfume	Schneider	Williams (GA)	Clark (MA)	Joyce (OH)	Rogers (AL)
Ellzey	Lawler	Stefanik	Moore (WI)	Scholten	Wilson (FL)	Cline	Joyce (PA)	Rogers (KY)
Emmer	Lee (FL)	Steil	Morelle	Schrier		Cloud	Kaptur	Rose
Estes	Lesko	Stewart				Clyburn	Kean (NJ)	Rosendale
Ezell	Letlow	Strong				Clyde	Keating	Rouzer
Fallon	Loudermilk	Tenney				Cole	Kelly (MS)	Roy
Feenstra	Lucas	Thompson (PA)				Collins	Kelly (PA)	Ruiz
Ferguson	Luetkemeyer	Tiffany				Comer	Khanha	Ruppersberger
Finstad	Luna	Timmons				Correa	Kiggans (VA)	Rutherford
Fischbach	Luttrell	Turner				Craig	Kildee	Ryan
Fitzgerald	Mace	Valadao				Crane	Kiley	Salazar
Fitzpatrick	Malliotakis	Van Drew				Crawford	Kilmer	Salinas
Fleischmann	Mann	Van Dwyne				Crenshaw	Kim (CA)	Santos
Flood	Massie	Van Orden				Crow	Kim (NJ)	Scalise
Foxx	Mast	Wagner				Cuellar	Krishnamoorthi	Schiff
Franklin, C.	McCarthy	Walberg				Curtis	Kuster	Schneider
Scott	McCaul	Waltz				D'Esposito	Kustoff	Scholten
Fry	McClain	Weber (TX)				Davids (KS)	LaHood	Schrier
Fulcher	McClintock	Webster (FL)				Davidson	LaLota	Schweikert
Gaetz	McCormick	Wenstrup				Davis (NC)	LaMalfa	Scott, Austin
Gallagher	McHenry	Westerman				De La Cruz	Lamborn	Self
Garbarino	Meuser	Williams (NY)				Dean (PA)	Landsman	Sessions
Garcia, Mike	Miller (IL)	Williams (TX)				DelBene	Langworthy	Sewell
Gimenez	Miller (OH)	Wilson (SC)				Deluzio	Larsen (WA)	Sherrill
Gonzales, Tony	Miller (WV)	Wittman				DesJarlais	Latta	Simpson
Good (VA)	Miller-Meeks	Womack				Diaz-Balart	LaTurner	Slotkin
Gooden (TX)	Mills	Yakym				Dingell	Lawler	Smith (MO)
Gosar	Molinaro	Zinke				Donalds	Lee (FL)	Smith (NE)
						Duarte	Lee (NV)	Smith (NJ)
						Duncan	Lesko	Smucker
						Dunn (FL)	Letlow	Sorensen
						Edwards	Levin	Soto
						Ellzey	Lieu	Spanberger
						Emmer	Lofgren	Spartz
						Estes	Loudermilk	Stanton
						Ezell	Lucas	Staubert
						Fallon	Luetkemeyer	Steel
						Feenstra	Luna	Stefanik
						Ferguson	Luttrell	Steil
						Finstad	Lynch	Stevens
						Fischbach	Mace	Stewart
						Fitzgerald	Magaziner	Strickland
						Fitzpatrick	Malliotakis	Strong
						Fleischmann	Mann	Swalwell
						Flood	Manning	Sykes
						Foster	Massie	Tenney
						Foxx	Mast	Thompson (CA)
						Frankel, Lois	McBath	Thompson (MS)
						Franklin, C.	McCarthy	Thompson (PA)
						Scott	McCaul	Tiffany
						Fry	McClain	Timmons
						Fulcher	McClintock	Titus
						Gaetz	McCormick	Torres (NY)
						Gallagher	McHenry	Trahan
						Galleo	Meeks	Trone
						Garbarino	Menendez	Turner
						Garcia, Mike	Meng	Underwood
						Gimenez	Meuser	Valadao
						Golden (ME)	Miller (IL)	Van Drew

## ANSWERED “PRESENT”—1

Joyce (OH)

## NOT VOTING—4

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Ms. BUDZINSKI, Mrs. PELTOLA, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas, and Ms. ESHOO changed their votes from “yea” to “nay.”

So the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## DENOUNCING THE HORRORS OF SOCIALISM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on adoption of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 9) denouncing the horrors of socialism, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on adoption of the concurrent resolution.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 328, nays 86, answered “present” 14, not voting 6, as follows:

[Roll No. 106]

YEAS—328

Adams  
Aguilar  
Allred  
Auchincloss  
Balint  
Barragan  
Beatty  
Bera  
Beyer  
Bishop (GA)  
Blumenauer  
Blunt Rochester  
Bonamici  
Bowman  
Boyle (PA)  
Brown  
Brownley  
Budzinski  
Bush  
Caraveo  
Carbajal  
Cárdenas  
Carson  
Carter (LA)  
Cartwright  
Casar  
Case  
Casten  
Castor (FL)

## NAYS—211

Castro (TX)  
Cherfilus-  
McCormick  
Chu  
Cicilline  
Clark (MA)  
Clarke (NY)  
Cleaver  
Clyburn  
Connolly  
Correa  
Costa  
Courtney  
Craig  
Crockett  
Crow  
Cuellar  
Davids (KS)  
Davis (IL)  
Davis (NC)  
Dean (PA)  
DeGette  
DeLauro  
DelBene  
Deluzio  
DeSaulnier  
Dingell  
Doggett  
Escobar

Eshoo  
Españat  
Evans  
Fletcher  
Foster  
Foushee  
Frankel, Lois  
Frost  
Gallego  
Garamendi  
García (IL)  
García (TX)  
García, Robert  
Golden (ME)  
Goldman (NY)  
Gomez  
Gonzalez,  
Vicente  
Gottheimer  
Green, Al (TX)  
Grijalva  
Harder (CA)  
Hayes  
Higgins (NY)  
Himes  
Horsford  
Houlihan  
Hoyer  
Hoyle (OR)

Aderholt  
Aguilar  
Alford  
Allen

Allred  
Amodei  
Armstrong  
Arrington

Auchincloss  
Babin  
Bacon  
Baird

Balderson  
Banks  
Barr  
Bean (FL)  
Bentz  
Bera  
Bergman  
Bice  
Biggs  
Bilirakis  
Bishop (GA)  
Bishop (NC)  
Boebert  
Bost  
Boyle (PA)  
Brecheen  
Brownley  
Buchanan  
Buck  
Bucshon  
Budzinski  
Burchett  
Burgess  
Burlison  
Calvert  
Cammack  
Caraveo  
Carbajal  
Carey  
Carl  
Carter (GA)  
Carter (LA)  
Carter (TX)  
Cartwright  
Case  
Castor (FL)  
Chavez-DeRemer  
Cherfilus-  
McCormick  
Ciscomani  
Clark (MA)  
Cline  
Cloud  
Clyburn  
Clyde  
Cole  
Collins  
Comer  
Correa  
Craig  
Crane  
Crawford  
Crenshaw  
Crow  
Cuellar  
Curtis  
D'Esposito  
Davids (KS)  
Davidson  
Davis (NC)  
De La Cruz  
Dean (PA)  
DelBene  
Deluzio  
DesJarlais  
Diaz-Balart  
Dingell  
Donalds  
Duarte  
Duncan  
Dunn (FL)  
Edwards  
Ellzey  
Emmer  
Estes  
Ezell  
Fallon  
Feenstra  
Ferguson  
Finstad  
Fischbach  
Fitzgerald  
Fitzpatrick  
Fleischmann  
Flood  
Foster  
Foxx  
Frankel, Lois  
Franklin, C.  
Scott  
Fry  
Fulcher  
Gaetz  
Gallagher  
Gallego  
Garbarino  
Garcia, Mike  
Gimenez  
Golden (ME)

Gonzales, Tony  
Gonzalez,  
Vicente  
Good (VA)  
Gooden (TX)  
Gosar  
Gottheimer  
Granger  
Graves (LA)  
Graves (MO)  
Green (TN)  
Greene (GA)  
Griffith  
Grothman  
Guest  
Guthrie  
Hageman  
Harder (CA)  
Harris  
Harshbarger  
Hern  
Higgins (LA)  
Hill  
Hinson  
Horsford  
Owens  
Houchin  
Houlihan  
Hudson  
Huizenga  
Issa  
Ivey  
Jackson (IL)  
Jackson (NC)  
Jackson (TX)  
James  
Jeffries  
Johnson (LA)  
Johnson (OH)  
Johnson (SD)  
Jordan  
Joyce (OH)  
Joyce (PA)  
Kaptur  
Kean (NJ)  
Keating  
Kelly (MS)  
Kelly (PA)  
Khanna  
Kiggans (VA)  
Kildee  
Kiley  
Kilmer  
Kim (CA)  
Kim (NJ)  
Krishnamoorthi  
Kuster  
Kustoff  
LaHood  
LaLota  
LaMalfa  
Lamborn  
Landsman  
Langworthy  
Larsen (WA)  
Latta  
LaTurner  
Lawler  
Lee (FL)  
Lee (NV)  
Lesko  
Letlow  
Levin  
Lieu  
Lofgren  
Loudermilk  
Lucas  
Luetkemeyer  
Luna  
Luttrell  
Mace  
Magaziner  
Malliotakis  
Mann  
Manning  
Massie  
Mast  
McBath  
McCarthy  
McCaul  
McClain  
McClintock  
McCormick  
McHenry  
Meeks  
Menendez  
Meng  
Meuser  
Miller (IL)

Miller (OH)  
Miller (WV)  
Miller-Meeks  
Mills  
Molinaro  
Moolenaar  
Mooney  
Moore (AL)  
Moore (UT)  
Moran  
Morelle  
Moskowitz  
Moulton  
Mrvan  
Murphy  
Neguse  
Nehls  
Newhouse  
Nickel  
Norcross  
Norman  
Nunn (IA)  
Obernolte  
Ogles  
Owens  
Palmer  
Panetta  
Pappas  
Pelosi  
Peltola  
Perez  
Perry  
Peters  
Pettersen  
Pfluger  
Phillips  
Posey  
Quigley  
Reschenthaler  
Rodgers (WA)  
Rogers (AL)  
Rogers (KY)  
Rose  
Rosendale  
Rouzer  
Roy  
Ruiz  
Ruppersberger  
Rutherford  
Ryan  
Salazar  
Salinas  
Santos  
Scalise  
Schiff  
Schneider  
Scholten  
Schrier  
Schweikert  
Scott, Austin  
Self  
Sessions  
Sewell  
Sherrill  
Simpson  
Slotkin  
Smith (MO)  
Smith (NE)  
Smith (NJ)  
Smucker  
Sorensen  
Soto  
Spanberger  
Spartz  
Stanton  
Staubert  
Steel  
Stefanik  
Steil  
Stevens  
Stewart  
Strickland  
Strong  
Swalwell  
Sykes  
Tenney  
Thompson (CA)  
Thompson (MS)  
Thompson (PA)  
Tiffany  
Timmons  
Titus  
Torres (NY)  
Trahan  
Trone  
Turner  
Underwood  
Valadao  
Van Drew