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EVERY CITIZEN IS ENTITLED TO DUE PROCESS, INCLUDING CONGRESSMAN JOHN CONYERS, JR.!

DETROIT – One of the distinct differences between our nation, the United States of America, and many others is a system called *Due Process*. We are a nation of laws, with a constitution that has been modeled by many across the globe. It is with that understanding that we are here to call for *Due Process* for every citizen of America, which also includes Congressman John Conyers, Jr.

What is *Due Process*? *Due Process* is the legal requirement that the state must respect all legal rights that is owed to a person. *Due Process* balances the power of law of the land and protects the individual person from it. When a government harms a person without following the exact course of the law, this constitutes a *Due Process* violation, which offends the rule of law. The 5th and 14th Amendments to the United States Constitution, each contains a *Due Process* clause. *Due Process* deals with the administration of justice, and thus the *Due Process* clause acts as a safe guard against arbitrary denial of life, liberty, or property by the government, outside the sanction of law.

The phrase *Due Process*, in case you are not aware, first appeared in the statutory rendition of the Magna Carta in 1354. With that historic background, and the knowledge of a belief that everyone is entitled to *Due Process*, why are we subverting one of the very pillars upon which this nation is founded, on the back of a man who has served this nation for 53 ½ years? We are not here because we do not respect, love, and appreciate women or men. We have daughters', wives', sisters', and mothers'. Yet, we do call for fairness.

Why is it that John Conyers is the only individual to be denied *Due Process* of law by the same body, which is supposed to uphold and defend the *Due Process* of law? It is apparent that if we are going to raise this unholy and unlawful guillotine, calling for the head of John Conyers, then in fairness we must begin with the President of the United States. Mr. Trump currently has 15 women who have accused him of sexual harassment and even molestation by some.

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He has told the world how he treats women by forcing himself upon them, without their permission, by lip kissing, and grabbing their private parts. Yet, he has not been asked to resign.

Why have we not called for the resignation of Representative Ruben Kihuen of Nevada, accused of sexual harassment with his campaign finance director?

Why have we not called for the resignation of Texas Representative Blake Farenthold, who used \$84,000 of taxpayer money to solve a sexual harassment lawsuit with a female staffer?

Why have we not called for the immediate resignation of Texas Representative Joe Barton for posting nude, crude, and lewd photos of himself on the internet, while tweeting out unwanted sexual diatribes to different women?

Why have we not called for the immediate resignation from the campaign and passed a resolution, if elected, that he not be seated, for Alabama Senate candidate Roy Moore? He has been accused of sexual misconduct with over 8 women, 3 of whom were underage at the time. Moore has even been banned from the shopping mall for stalking and now some want to elect him to the Senate hall for voting.

And why have we not called for the resignation of Senator Al Franken, accused in the sexual misconduct of 5 women, currently seated and representing the state of Minnesota?

Finally, if we are going to call for the resignation of John Conyers, should we not also call for the resignation of those who settled for 17 million dollars in tax payer funding to victims of harassment, which includes sexual harassment of those currently in Congress?

We believe this is unfair to the citizens who elected John Conyers as their representative. They should be respected in their right to have *Due Process*. This response from Speaker Pelosi and certain members of the Michigan Congressional delegation, among others, appears not to be one rooted in respect for the victims of harassment but more playing to the crowd of those immersed in politics. This call for resignation before an investigation cheapens our system of *Due Process*, and quite frankly it suppresses the right of the voter. It does not elevate the people, but diminishes the people. John Conyers is entitled to everything every citizen in America is entitled to and that is of course *Due Process* of law.

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