Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Donald Trump The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

We were glad to learn of your decision to remove Steve Bannon from the National Security Council (NSC), a position he never should have held. However, we believe that his continued presence in your administration is incredibly alarmingly and dangerous to our nation and the world. That is why we urge you to immediately remove Steve Bannon from the White House altogether.

As Members of Congress, we are deeply concerned about Steve Bannon's past statements, political ideology, and divisive actions. As you know, Mr. Bannon is the co-founder of the white nationalist "alt-right" website, Breitbart news, which under his direction and approval has published blatantly bigoted rhetoric about women, Muslims, and other minorities. It is no wonder that white nationalist groups, such as the KKK, have praised Mr. Bannon's extreme political statements.

Moreover, Mr. Bannon's disdain for government is completely unacceptable. In late 2013, Mr. Bannon said that he is a "Leninist" and that his main goal is the "destruction of the administrative state." We understand that Mr. Bannon was an architect of your administration's Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 budget proposal that seeks to dismantle our vital government services and functions. There should be no place at the White House for a person that does not believe in our government and all Americans.

While Mr. Bannon is no longer on the NSC, the threat he poses to the security of our nation is still imminent. His political drive to keep Muslims and all immigrations out of this country is appalling. We need look no further than your administration's hateful, failed Muslim-ban and border wall, to find the finger prints of Mr. Bannon and understand the chaos his radical views can inflict on our country.

We strongly urge you to remove Steve Bannon from the White House immediately. His ideology and political agenda clearly have no place in the highest office in the land.

Sincerely,

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