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Dear Colleagues:

Earlier today, I directed our House committees to open a formal impeachment inquiry into President Joe Biden. I did not reach this decision lightly. However, this logical next step will allow our committees to gather all the facts and provide answers for the American people.

This effort will be led by Chairman James Comer of the Oversight and Accountability Committee, in coordination with Chairman Jim Jordan of the Judiciary Committee and Chairman Jason Smith of the Ways and Means Committee.

I want to commend Chairman Comer, Chairman Jordan, and Chairman Smith. Under their leadership, especially over the course of the past five weeks, House Republicans have uncovered serious and credible allegations into President Biden's conduct, beginning as Vice President.

Through our investigations, we have found that President Biden lied to the American people about knowledge of his family's foreign business dealings.

Eyewitness testimony revealed that the President joined multiple phone calls and had various interactions with his son's business partners. For example, Devon Archer, Hunter Biden's business partner, testified that Joe Biden spoke or met with Hunter Biden's business associates around 20 times, and that after meeting with President Biden, foreign nationals sent Hunter Biden millions of dollars, and bought him a Porsche.

Bank records show that nearly \$20 million in payments were directed to Biden family members and associates through numerous shell companies. The Treasury Department has more than 150 transactions involving the Biden family and their business associates that were flagged as "suspicious activity" by U.S. banks.

A trusted FBI informant provided information about alleged bribes to the Biden family.

There is also evidence that Biden used his official office to coordinate with Hunter Biden's business partner about Hunter's role in Burisma, a Ukrainian energy company.

Finally, despite these serious allegations, it appears that the President's family has been afforded special treatment by Biden's own administration – treatment they would not otherwise have received if they were not related to the President. For example, in July, there was the sweetheart plea deal that President Biden's Department of Justice tried to sneak past the public. Had a federal judge not rejected the deal, it would have gone through unnoticed.

As we speak, the House Oversight and Accountability Committee is seeking records from the National Archives in which then-Vice President Biden used a pseudonym, including to communicate with his son about official business. The Committee understands that thousands of pseudonym emails exist.

These troubling facts come after testimony from two IRS whistleblowers suggest that the Department of Justice slow-walked charges of criminal tax fraud by Hunter Biden.

These allegations should concern every American, regardless of political party. Taken together, they paint a picture of a culture of corruption, obstruction, and abuse of power that rises to the level of further investigation.

Simply put, the American people deserve to know that public offices are not for sale and that the federal government is not being used to cover up the actions of a politically-connected family.

House Republicans are committed to getting answers and finding the truth – nothing more, nothing less. We will go wherever the evidence takes us.

On Thursday, we will hold a special conference to have a full discussion on this topic with our committee chairs. I would encourage everyone to attend.

Thank you for your commitment to transparency and accountability.

KEVIN McCARTHY

Sincerely

Speaker of the House