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The Honorable Zoe Lofgren Chair, Committee on House Administration 1309 Longworth HOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Lofgren:

I write in support of Congresswoman Ashley Hinson's recent letter to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's office expressing significant concerns with the actions she, as Speaker, and the Committee on House Administation have undertaken regarding Congresswoman Mariannette Miller-Meeks as Representative of Iowa's Second Congressional District.

As that letter mentions, Congresswoman Miller-Meeks was duly elected and as such, she has taken the Oath of Office and is serving her constituents. Election officials in the State of Iowa did not claim that there were any inconsistencies for any of its November 2020 elections, and the state engaged in several recounts to ensure accuracy and transparency. Additionally, if a candidate believes election inconsistencies resulted in a detrimental outcome for their campaign, that candidate has extensive remedies to address those concerns. However, Congresswoman Miller-Meeks general election opponent, Rita Hart, did not exhaust her legal remedies after the state's election recounts.

Our country is in one of the most partisan times we seen in our lifetimes, resulting in what is deemed "cancel culture," where people can be socially exiled for their views. We see it on social media, we see it in attacks on individuals and groups, and it has started to infest our government in ways that threaten our democracy and the will of the people. Under this backdrop, the actions of the Committee on House Administration to investigate Iowa's election are even more alarming.

Therefore, I ask you to end the partisan investigation ultimately seeking to unseat Congresswoman Miller-Meeks and focus on the things that can bring us together during these tough times. As Congresswoman Hinson's letter perfectly summarizes: "there is no cause to question the voters of Iowa."

Sincerely,

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