

INTERIM RESOLUTION 2019-004

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3 REQUESTING THAT THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ENCOURAGE THE
4 UNITED STATES SENATE TO EXERCISE ITS FULL CONSTITUTIONAL
5 AUTHORITY AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE REGARDING THE IMPEACHMENT
6 PROCESS AGAINST PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP AND CONDEMNING THE
7 ACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN PASSING
8 AND HOLDING ARTICLES OF IMPEACHMENT AGAINST PRESIDENT DONALD J.
9 TRUMP.

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11 WHEREAS, each member of the United States Congress took an oath to
12 uphold the United States Constitution and serve the people of the United
13 States; and

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15 WHEREAS, the United States Constitution limits the use of impeachment
16 to the rare cases of high crimes and misdemeanors; and

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18 WHEREAS, in the Federalist Papers, Alexander Hamilton warned of the
19 danger of impeachment becoming a partisan exercise based on the comparative
20 strength of the parties instead of actual guilt or innocence; and

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22 WHEREAS, the articles of impeachment passed by some members of the
23 United States House of Representatives against President Trump fail to rise
24 to the constitutional requirement of high crimes and misdemeanors and, for
25 the first time in history, cite no alleged violation of federal law; and

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27 WHEREAS, the articles of impeachment were passed over bipartisan
28 opposition in a rushed, partisan manner without providing President Trump the
29 opportunity to call witnesses; and

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31 WHEREAS, there are many serious issues that the United States Congress
32 is responsible for and should be addressing, including protecting taxpayers'
33 money from waste, maintaining our military for times of declared war,
34 securing our borders through proper immigration and naturalization laws, and
35 leaving all unenumerated powers to the control of the individual states; and

1 WHEREAS, this resolution commends the four (4) members of the Arkansas
2 congressional delegation to the United States House of Representatives, all
3 of whom voted against the articles of impeachment; and
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5 WHEREAS, this resolution urges the two (2) United States Senators
6 representing Arkansas to continue focusing on serving the people of Arkansas
7 and to work to end this partisan impeachment process as quickly as possible;
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10 WHEREAS, the United States House of Representatives, having exercised
11 its full authority, should immediately transmit the articles of impeachment
12 to the United States Senate; and
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14 WHEREAS, President Donald J. Trump was duly elected by the people of
15 this great nation in accordance with the requirements of the United States
16 Constitution, and members of the United States Congress should respect their
17 oath of office and the will of the people,
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19 NOW THEREFORE,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE NINETY-SECOND
21 GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 THAT the Arkansas Legislative Council encourage the United States
24 Senate to exercise its full constitutional authority as quickly as possible
25 regarding the impeachment process against President Donald J. Trump.
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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Arkansas Legislative Council hereby
28 condemn the actions of the members of the United States House of
29 Representatives in passing and holding the articles of impeachment against
30 President Donald J. Trump, the duly elected President of the United States,
31 instead of performing the serious work required by the United States
32 Constitution that the American people elected them to fulfill and that each
33 member swore an oath to uphold.
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35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be delivered to
36 President Donald J. Trump, the Clerk of the United States House of

1 Representatives, the Secretary of the United States Senate, and the members
2 of the Arkansas congressional delegation.

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5 Respectfully submitted,

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9 Senator Missy Irvin

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14 Senator Alan Clark

15 District 13

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19 Senator Bob Ballinger

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