

Resolution calling for an additional article of Impeachment of Donald Trump

WHEREAS the Trump administration recently assassinated Qasim Soleimani, a high-ranking official in the Iranian government; and

WHEREAS the Trump administration did not seek congressional approval before committing an act of war against Iran; and

WHEREAS Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution states “Internationally, Congress has the power... to declare war and make rules of war”; and

WHEREAS Section 3 of the War Powers Act of 1973 states “The President in every possible instance shall consult with Congress before introducing United States Armed Forces into hostilities or into situations where imminent involvement in hostilities is clearly indicated by the circumstances, and after every such introduction shall consult regularly with the Congress until United States Armed Forces are no longer engaged in hostilities or have been removed from such situations.”; and

WHEREAS citing both the Constitution and the War Powers Act of 1973, it is clear that Donald Trump illegally ordered the assassination of an Iranian official, at great risk of provoking war, and in direct violation of the War Powers Act;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the First District Democrats urge the Washington State Congressional delegation to call for a 3rd article of impeachment to be added to those already passed by the House of Representatives, citing this incident; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be sent to each member of the Washington State Congressional delegation; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the First District Democrats will send a copy of this resolution to the Snohomish County Democrats, King County Democrats, the and WSDCC to be considered at their next meetings.

Submitted by Tyler Kelson, January 8, 2020

Recommended DO PASS by the Issues Committee January 17, 2020