



Representative Zoe Lofgren

July 18, 2024

Dear President Biden,

I have listened intently to your reflections on the possibility that you might step aside as presumptive Democratic nominee for President. You have righteously detailed many of the policy achievements that have benefited the American people. Democrats in the House and Senate did that with you and we have much to be proud of. Your lifetime of public service has inspired many and is something I respect greatly.

As a Member of the House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol I know, perhaps as well as anyone, how unsuitable Donald Trump is to be President. His policies are wrong. His character is unprincipled and corrupt. He remains as grave a threat to the Constitutional order and rule of law that he was on January 6, 2021 when he incited insurrection. And, if he is elected President again, he will dismantle all that Democrats have achieved for the American people.

As I am aware that you have been provided data indicating that you in all likelihood will lose the race for President, I will not go through it again. Simply put, your candidacy is on a trajectory to lose the White House and potentially impact crucial House and Senate races down ballot. It is for these reasons that I urge you to step aside from our Party's nomination to allow another Democratic candidate to compete against and beat Donald Trump in the November election.

I make this request with great respect for you, your work and in hopes that your legacy of accomplishments will be preserved. I want to be clear that should you formally become the Democratic nominee for President I will do everything I can to promote your candidacy and to work for your success. Unfortunately, I greatly doubt that the outcome will be positive and our country will pay a dreadful price for that.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Zoe Lofgren".