

## **PROPOSED CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION OF CONDEMNATION**

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Subject: U.S. Department of Justice Obstruction in the Epstein Files Release

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### **RESOLUTION**

Condemning the United States Department of Justice for its failure to comply with statutory obligations under the Epstein Files Transparency Act and its obstruction of Congressional oversight efforts.

WHEREAS, Congress passed bipartisan legislation mandating the full release of all non-classified records relating to the criminal investigation and prosecution of Jeffrey Epstein and Ghislaine Maxwell, with a final deadline of December 19, 2025;

WHEREAS, the Department of Justice has failed to meet this statutory obligation, releasing only a fraction of the documents by the mandated deadline;

WHEREAS, the DOJ has cited logistical barriers and internal “glitches” as justification for its failure to comply, despite having access to over 400 attorneys and sufficient federal infrastructure to meet the required timeline;

WHEREAS, recent public statements by U.S. Attorney General Pamela Jo Bondi and Deputy Attorney General Todd Blanche demonstrate active resistance to transparency by opposing Congressional requests for independent oversight;

WHEREAS, the Department has denied standing to elected Congressional representatives - specifically Representatives Ro Khanna and Thomas Massie - who

submitted formal requests to the U.S. District Court to appoint a special master for accountability and timely release;

WHEREAS, the failure to comply with the law and the open obstruction of Congressional oversight represent a violation of the public trust and a breach of the Department's duty to transparency, justice, and accountability;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives:

1. Formally condemns the Department of Justice for its noncompliance with the Epstein Files Transparency Act;
2. Denounces the DOJ's obstruction of Congressional authority and willful resistance to lawful oversight;
3. Demands the immediate release of the remaining Epstein investigation files in accordance with federal law;
4. Supports the appointment of a special master or independent monitor to ensure timely, unredacted, and complete disclosure;
5. Affirms that further obstruction or delay may warrant formal investigation and disciplinary review, including potential Articles of Impeachment for any officials found to have knowingly subverted the law.

Submitted with supporting documentation, citizen complaint, and timeline of suppression.