



Resolution In Support Of Safe Zones Around Politician Dwellings

WHEREAS, the use of threats and fear in pursuit of political goals is foreign and hostile to the spirit and letter of democracy; and

WHEREAS, it is a relatively new stratagem for protesters to mass outside of a politician's home and attempt to intimidate him/her in order to get their way and affect legislation, and is in violation of the (relatively) civilized demeanor of traditional American politics; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Adam Smith reports: "My family and I have had our home vandalised, a fire has been set in my driveway, my neighbours' lives have been disrupted by demonstrations in the middle of the night, town halls meant to be forums for dialogue have been shut down, and a staff member has been physically assaulted."; and

WHEREAS, this antisocial, destructive hostility increases the already massive flight of sensible people out of the Democratic Party;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the 43rd LD Democrats refuse to use such tactics of protest outside of a legislator's home. These locations should be established as "safe zones"¹ and the penalties for property damage and physical assault in these zones should be greatly increased and enforced.

Submitted by John Brooks to the September 15, 2026 General Meeting of the 43rd LD Democrats.

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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Legal_protection_of_access_to_abortion#:~:text=Another%20way%20of%20safeguarding%20access.%22%20or%20%22bubble%20zone%22.