

# National Impeachment Network

## *Our Requests to the House of Representatives*

1. Request that all members **cosponsor HRes 1258**, which contained 35 Articles of Impeachment against President Bush.
2. Request that all members sign onto Congressman **Wexler's letter** asking for impeachment hearings.
3. Request that Congress use their power of **Inherent Contempt** to compel testimony from Karl Rove on AttorneyGate.
4. Request that Chairman John Conyers **initiate real “impeachment hearings”** where the question before the committee is whether Bush and Cheney should be impeached for one or more offenses. This will allow witness to freely discuss crimes committed by the President without violating the House Rules.
5. Request that Speaker Pelosi **put impeachment “back on the table”**. Congresses other oversight powers cannot be enforced without the ultimate threat of impeachment. This is why Bush has been able to refuse to comply with subpoenas.
6. Request that the House explore ways to **prevent the use of Presidential Pardons** to avoid criminal prosecution by President Bush and other members of his Administration.
7. Request an impeachment hearing in the Judiciary Committee on the question of whether Bush and/or Cheney should be impeached for ordering the CIA to forge a letter on Iraq as alleged in **Ron Suskind's** recent book.
8. Request that the Judiciary Committee **move forward on impeachment** by marking up HRes 1258 and submitting Articles of Impeachment to the floor of the House as a question of privilege. We recommend that the first article be about Bush or Cheney's undermining of the Congresses oversight role by refusing to comply with Congressional Subpoenas because it is a prima facie case.

## *Impeachment is Possible and Necessary*

There is enough time!

- Andrew Johnson was impeached within 10 days after firing Edwin Stanton.
- Bush could be impeached for refusing to comply with subpoenas before he leaves office.
- It is very important that Congress continues moving forward with impeachment even if the clock runs out on the trial. Moving forward will send a message to future Presidents that these offenses are unacceptable.

Congress has done more to undermine the Constitution than Bush and Cheney. Violating the Constitution only weakens the Constitution if Congress refuses to defend it. Impeachment would prove that our Constitution works and would make our Democracy stronger.

Defending the Constitution is more important than any other business before the House. That is why it is a “question of privilege”.

Keeping Congress in session to impeach may be the only way to prevent Bush from attacking Iran.