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IN THE MATTER REGARDING THE ARRESTS OF MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE DURING A PROTEST OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL ON DECEMBER 6, 2017

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Clerk, House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Haas:

Pursuant to clauses 3(a)(2) and 3(b) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, we herewith transmit the attached report, “In the Matter Regarding the Arrests of Members of the House During a Protest Outside the United States Capitol on December 6, 2017.”

Sincerely,

Susan W. Brooks  
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In accordance with Rule 18(e)(2) of the Committee on Ethics (Committee), the Committee hereby submits the following Report to the House of Representatives:

I. FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

On December 21, 2017, the Committee convened for the purpose of considering the December 6, 2017, arrests of Representatives Judy Chu and Luís V. Gutiérrez, for Crowding, Obstructing, or Incommoding, during a protest outside the United States Capitol in Washington, D.C. Representatives Chu and Gutiérrez paid a $50 fine and were released following their arrest. The legal proceedings related to these arrests are now resolved.

The Committee voted against impanelling an investigative subcommittee in this matter. The Committee considered the scope and nature of the conduct described above and determined that review by an investigative subcommittee is not required in this matter.

The Committee has determined to take no further action in this matter, and upon publication of this Report, considers the matter closed.

II. STATEMENT UNDER HOUSE RULE XIII, CLAUSE 3(C)

The Committee made no special oversight findings in this Report. No budget statement is submitted. No funding is authorized by any measure in this Report.