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House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515-1009

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The Honorable Theodore E. Deutch
Chairman, Committee on Ethics
House of Representatives
1015 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Subj: APPEAL OF NOTIFICATION OF VIOLATION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION 73

Chairman Deutch,

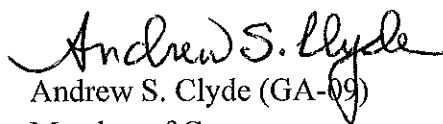
This letter records my official appeal of two notifications of violation of House Resolution 73 (H.Res. 73). The first fine was noticed February 4, 2021, and the second fine noticed on February 8, 2021.

H.Res. 73 of the 117th Congress is in violation of Article I, Section 5; Article I Section 6; and the 27th Amendment of the United States Constitution and therefore is meritless and should not be enforced.

Moreover, as noted in a February 10, 2021 letter submitted to Acting Sergeant at Arms, Timothy Blodgett from Committee on House Administration Ranking Member Rodney Davis and Representative Barry Loudermilk,¹ there serious and unanswered questions related to selective enforcement of House Resolution 73 after Members witnessed on numerous occasions multiple Democrats, including Speaker Pelosi, bypassing security screening stations. It is deeply concerning that, to date, only Republicans have been reported to have been cited for a violation of H.Res. 73.

Considering the concerns outlined here, I respectfully request that my appeal be granted, and any citation related to a violation of H.Res. 73 be permanently voided.

Sincerely,


Andrew S. Clyde (GA-09)
Member of Congress

cc: The Honorable Jackie Walorski
Ranking Member, Committee on Ethics

¹ Ranking Member Rodney Davis, *Republican Committee Members Pressure Pelosi To Pay Fine For Breaking Her Own Security Rules*, Committee on House Administration (Feb. 11, 2021), <https://republicans-cha.house.gov/sites/republicans.cha.house.gov/files/documents/2-10-2021%20Response%20to%20ASAA%20Blodgett.pdf>.