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The Honorable Michael Guest
Adjudicatory Subcommittee Chairman
The Honorable Mark DeSaulnier
Adjudicatory Subcommittee Ranking Member
1015 Longworth House Building
Washington, DC 20515

In re: Consideration of Sanctions Relating to Representative Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick

Dear Chairman Guest and Ranking Member DeSaulnier:

We, the undersigned faith leaders, community organizations, and stakeholders representing Florida's 20th Congressional District, write with urgency and deep concern regarding any consideration of expulsion of Representative Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick.

Our district is a community of families, churches, small businesses, seniors, and working people who rely on consistent representation to advocate for their needs. At this critical moment, our district is facing significant challenges, including an ongoing redistricting battle that directly impacts our collective future.

To remove our duly elected representative during such a pivotal time would leave our communities voiceless when we can least afford it. We believe in due process. We believe in fairness. And we believe in the fundamental right of the people to determine their representation.

If the voters of Florida's 20th District wish to choose new leadership, they have both the right and the mechanism to do so through the ballot box. That is the constitutional process. Premature expulsion would override the will of the people and disenfranchise an entire district.

We are also concerned by the urgency surrounding calls for expulsion. There is no compelling reason to rush such a consequential decision; especially one that would leave hundreds of thousands of constituents without representation in the middle of an active redistricting fight. At a time when our district is already under pressure, we should not compound the challenge by silencing its voice in Congress.

We respectfully urge the Committee to proceed with caution, uphold the principles of due process, and allow the people of Florida's 20th District to determine their representation through established democratic means.

Our communities deserve stability. Our voices deserve to be heard. And our right to representation must be protected.

Respectfully,

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