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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

Dear Friend,

People tell me it must be a tough job to be Speaker of the House when the president belongs to the opposite party, lives in a world without facts or decency, and has nearly every Republican in Congress marching in unthinking lockstep behind him.

I've had a tougher one.

I raised five kids born in six years. It taught me that children deserve our love and our caring. And if it's necessary to confront Donald Trump to protect those values, I will.

House Democrats are confronting Trump and his Washington Republican enablers, whether they're taking children out of the arms of their parents or food out of the mouths of babies.

Our ability to carry this fight going forward depends on preserving and expanding our Democratic Majority in the House of Representatives.

That's why I'm asking you to take two steps right away.

First, fill out the enclosed *Democratic Unity Survey* so Democrats have the benefit of your values and views.

Second, support the organization tasked with preserving and expanding our Majority — the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC). Your generous contribution of \$15, \$25, \$35 or more to the DCCC's Headquarters Account will help the DCCC sustain and expand Battlestations across the country.

And if you respond by August 31st, your gift will be matched, dollar for dollar, by a group of generous Democrats.

DCCC Battlestations are crucial to the infrastructure we need to ensure we protect and expand the House Majority in November. They allow us to have a presence in critical districts across the country, to run voter registration drives and launch the voter outreach that will make a difference on November 3rd, 2020!

We have already opened 32 Battlestations across the country and will be able to open more with your support today.

When Republicans devised a corporate-down coronavirus relief bill while giving workers short shrift, House Democrats got to work and transformed the bill into one that put our children, our workers, and our Families First. We insisted on significant, immediate investments in hospitals and health care workers, state and local governments, small businesses and students. We imposed strong oversight controls on business aid so it wouldn't become a \$500 billion slush fund for the Trump corporation and his cronies. Because that's what House Democrats do — fight For The People.

Meanwhile, President Trump wants to take health care away from millions of Americans who have coverage under the Affordable Care Act. I've enclosed details on just what that means for so many of our fellow citizens. We can't — **we never will** — back down from that fight.

Trump and his followers on Capitol Hill want to take away women's most fundamental rights. We can't — **we won't** — back down from that fight.

Their caucus of climate deniers wants to ignore the generational challenge of our time and actually increase America's reliance on fossil fuels. House Democrats aren't backing down from that fight either.

Their budget — utterly indifferent to the suffering of others — would slash \$2.3 trillion from Medicare and Medicaid ... allow health insurance companies to jack up premiums on people with pre-existing conditions ... all while extending the GOP tax scam.

There is one barrier and only one standing between the American people and this cruelty and recklessness. It is the Democratic Majority in the House of Representatives. And House Democrats will fight every inch of Donald Trump's radical agenda.

We will not let them demonize immigrants. We will not let them privatize Social Security and Medicare. We will not let them end the right to choose in America.

Far from it: For the first time since Donald Trump came to power, he is having to face down Democratic priorities in the House, where we have passed major legislation to combat corruption and reduce gun violence, while laying out a comprehensive and specific legislative agenda that includes protecting voting rights and investing in infrastructure.

The DCCC's job is to take this fight to the Republicans. And believe me, the Republicans are already fighting back.

Special interest donors like Charles Koch and Sheldon Adelson are mustering their forces for an all-out, scorched-earth attack on House Democrats, especially the new Members we just elected — many of whom must defend their seats in districts Trump won.

Now is the time to ensure that we keep these districts in Democratic hands for the long haul, rather than just for two years.

Here's the situation: With an innovative, unprecedented grassroots campaign, the DCCC flipped 42 seats in 2018. Now, 30 Democrats are serving in districts Donald Trump won. We are going to defend every one of them.

That's the goal of the DCCC's **Frontline** program — an aggressive effort to firewall the new Democratic Majority, providing Democratic Members from the most competitive districts with access to strategic analysis, campaign guidance and fundraising prioritization.

In addition to defending the seats we won, the DCCC is already looking at the many — in Trump districts as well as others — where we were single digits away from victory. Our aim is to win those seats in November. We have already targeted 47 battlefield districts we believe we can flip.

That is among the objectives of **March Forward**, an aggressive, multimillion-dollar effort to defend and expand the new Democratic Majority. Building on our proven 2018 model, **March Forward** is deploying field managers — many of them now organizing digitally — to dozens of competitive districts across the country to activate the grassroots and build creative coalitions now.

And our **Battlestations** are another critical part of our presence across the country.

So much is at stake. Don't take my word for it. Ask the other side. They are already in full attack mode. They started early broadcasting ads targeting our historically diverse class of freshman Democrats. And they show no signs of letting up.

The Republicans know exactly what's at stake in November: Their ability to achieve their radical agenda and pay off their special interest backers hinges on their desperate efforts to reclaim the Majority.

We can't stop them without your ideas and your help.

Please share your ideas for Democratic priorities on the enclosed Democratic Unity Survey.

When you return your *Democratic Unity Survey* to us, please give to the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. Your contribution of \$15, \$25, \$35 or more to the DCCC's Headquarters Account will help to support the existing 32 Battlestations and allow us to open more, not to mention send a clear message to Donald Trump and his friends on Capitol Hill.

Take it from a mom: We can't do this alone. Together, there's no limit to what we can achieve. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House

P.S. The most formative experience in my life has been being a mother to five children. It taught me caring, listening, and organization. It also told me that when you need help to do something important, you should ask for it. Today, House Democrats need your help to develop the infrastructure necessary to protect our Majority and keep the Trump Republicans at bay. Please help by supporting the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee today with a contribution to our Headquarters Account.

