

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4303

April 9, 2024

The Honorable Charles E. Schumer
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Majority Leader Schumer,

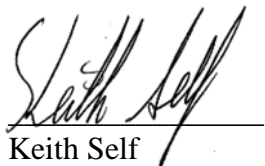
On February 13, 2024, the House of Representatives impeached Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas for high crimes and misdemeanors by refusing to comply with laws passed by Congress and breaching the public trust. The Senate is obligated by precedent, its own rules, and Article II, Section 4 of the Constitution to facilitate this trial. In accordance with the law, I urge you to facilitate a speedy trial upon the Senate's return on April 10th, 2024.

Since the inception of the Biden Administration, Secretary Mayorkas has willfully neglected a plethora of federal immigration laws. Through implementing a catch and release program, the Secretary has transported millions of illegal immigrants into cities of their choosing across America. Consequently, there have been more than 9 million illegal immigrant encounters, 1.8 million gotaways, and at least 340 suspected terrorists apprehended at the border. The Secretary made false statements to Congress regarding the removal of aliens, operational control of the border, and homeland security through President Biden's time in office. Such statements obstructed oversight over the Department of Homeland Security and undermine the checks and balances between the Legislative and Executive branches.

Impeachment proceedings have never been nor ever should be decided along party lines. In over 200 years of its existence, the House has impeached 18 active-duty officials, all of which were taken to trial by the Senate. Even Senate Republicans honored their Constitutional duty when they took up House Democrats' politically charged impeachment of President Trump during the year of his reelection bid. There are no other reasons than partiality and hubris to refuse a trial for Secretary Mayorkas.

A motion to table the articles of impeachment would defy precedents and laws dating back to the founding of our great nation. The Senate must fulfill its Constitutional duty by holding this trial to establish justice and ensure domestic tranquility for our Republic.

Sincerely,



Keith Self
Member of Congress

CC: Minority Leader Mitch McConnell