

An urgent call to action

January 6, 2021, was an extraordinary day in American history. We'll never forget it. We can't ignore it.

Dear Fellow members of NYCD16-Indivisible:

Two weeks from now, Joe Biden and Kamala Harris are going to be inaugurated, and Democrats are going to take control of the Senate along with the House of Representatives. Thanks to the hard work of so many people, including you, we are about to turn the page on the Trump years.

But today's events, in which an armed mob goaded by Trump's lies stormed the US Capitol and ran rampant inside, are infuriating. After four years of Trump, we are not shocked to see this happen, but we are furious. And we are sure you are too.

Let's take action.

***First:* Congress needs to move swiftly to impeach and remove Trump from office for inciting a seditious riot. This should be followed by a resolution disqualifying him from running for any office again in the future. Impeachment requires a majority of the House; removal takes 2/3 of the Senate. Disqualification for running for future office can follow that by a majority vote of the Senate.**

We urge you to call our elected representatives as soon as possible to demand they take these steps. [Rep. Ilhan Omar is drawing up articles of impeachment](#) as we write.

***Second:* the people who organized and participated in the attack on the Capitol should be arrested and prosecuted to the full extent of the law. We are disgusted and dismayed to see these so-called "protestors" treated with kid gloves when peaceful protests in support of the Movement for Black Lives have been met with brutal force.**

***Third:* now that Congress is in the process of certifying the presidential election results, we are calling on our local town, city and county leaders to pass resolutions condemning President Trump's fascistic attempts to interfere in the election, urging that the people who broke into Congress (and other state capitols) are prosecuted to the full extent of the law, and insisting that the election results are swiftly certified.**

Without delay, public statements are needed at every level of government to demonstrate that we stand against the anti-democratic attacks of the last 24 hours. *Please call your local town, city and/or county leaders to add your voice.*

Our democracy has been under attack for some time; today's events are just the latest excrescence of those efforts. As the election results in November and now most recently in Georgia show, the power to decide who rules still rests with the people, not a mob of white supremacists. Let's raise our voices once again, and demand swift action.

Call your elected officials:

Federal and State

Westchester County Executive and Legislators George Latimer: 914-995-2900

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano's office: 914-377-6300

Yonkers City Council President Mike Khader: 914-377-6064

Yonkers City Council

In Solidarity,

Your NYCD16-Indivisible Steering Committee