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The “Introductions” and “Executive Summaries” are written by Special Counsel Robert Mueller, III. The below Message is by Foundation Chair Dan Jacobson.

Dear Fellow Citizens,

Don't let a constant barrage of bad acts brain-wash you into accepting any of those bad acts as normal:

As you read either the complete Mueller Report, or the Introductions and Summaries to each of the two volumes, please don't let your psyche get used to the idea of a President doing bad things. In other words, that you have heard about Trump's acts constantly and over time, don't become immune to each act's toxicity, and to the toxicity of all of those acts, taken together.

Look at it this way. If President [insert name here] had had an affair with a porn star, and had his “fixer” arrange to pay her off for her silence; sided with Russia over the U.S. government about an attack on the U.S.'s election, and did *nothing* to protect that system from further attacks; happily accepted Russia's help in getting him elected; fired the FBI Director after that Director refused to pledge *loyalty* to the *President, rather than to the People and the Constitution*; tried to fire the Special Counsel who's job it was to investigate the President; tried to curtail the Special Counsel's investigation into the President; all law to the contrary, tried to get the appropriately recused Attorney General to “unrecuse” himself from the investigation; dangled pardons in front of criminal defendants so that they won't “flip” on him and become a “rat;” and brazenly lied about all of it.

And, you heard about all of that in one afternoon – you'd be outraged. That you heard about these and *many, many, many more things* over time, shouldn't numb your outrage. Please don't let time do that to you.

Why not indictment?:

As you'll see when you read Mueller, the Special Counsel's office explicitly says that Department of Justice rules don't allow the indictment of a sitting President. So, like it or not indictment is out.

Impeachment:

That leaves impeachment. So, are Trump's actions impeachable?

High Crimes and Misdemeanors:

The Constitution says that a “President shall be removed from Office on Impeachment for, and Conviction of, Treason, Bribery, or other high Crimes and Misdemeanors.”*

Harvard Constitutional Law Professor Lawrence Tribe:

As explained by our founders, statespersons, and scholars, as used in the impeachment, “high Crimes and Misdemeanors” does not mean penal acts, crimes with specific elements. Esteemed Harvard Constitutional Law Professor Lawrence Tribe explains, “[T]he general rule [is] that an impeachable offense must itself severely *threaten the system of government or constitute[s] a grievous abuse of official power.*”**

Alexander Hamilton:

Hamilton himself explained, that impeachable offenses are those “offenses which proceed from the misconduct of public men, or, in other words, from the abuse or violation of some public trust. . . . [T]hey relate chiefly to *injuries done immediately to the society itself.*”***

Questions to keep in mind:

So as you’re reading Mueller, please ask yourself these question:

1. In the words of Hamilton, do Trump’s acts “relate chiefly to *injuries done immediately to the society itself*; and in Tribes words, do Trump’s acts *threaten the system of government or constitute[s] a grievous abuse of official power.*”

2. Understanding that Trump’s acceptance of Russia’s help in getting him elected and engaging in the ensuing cover-up are the only things that are covered in the Mueller report, please add these acts to your question: Attempting to ban all member of the [insert name of religion here] religion from entering the U.S.; ripping toddlers from the arms of their parents; paying off a porn star and a Playboy model to conceal affairs; saying that there are “good people” marching and chanting Nazi slogans and championing the cause of a traitor (Robert E. Lee); ignoring the power of Congress to subpoena; and, instead of welcoming “your tired, your poor, Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,” misappropriating billions of dollars from where those dollars had been appropriating by Congress,**** and building a wall to keep those people out, etc., etc. etc.

Taken together do the above acts “*injur[e] . . . society itself*; or, do they “*threaten [our] system of government*;” or “are they grievous abuse of official power.”

Sincerely,



Dan Jacobson
Chair

*Constitution, Article II, Section 4

**Italics added. “Defining ‘High Crimes and Misdemeanors’: Basic Principles,” 67 *Geo. Wash. L. Rev.* 712, 721 (1999)

***Italics added. Hamilton, *Federalist Papers* # 65.

****Only Congress has the power to appropriate money. (Constitution, Article I, Section 9.)