

Nancy Pelosi Speaker of the House November 5, 2020



Congratulations on your victory and for strengthening our Democratic House Majority - the most diverse and most dynamic in American history!

The American people elected Democrats up and down the ballot with a resounding and remarkable mandate for progress and healing. Working together with President-elect Joe Biden and Vice President-elect Kamala Harris, the Democratic House will be ready on Day One to advance extraordinary change For The People.

The American people voted for Democrats to crush the coronavirus and safely reopen schools and the economy. With over nine million infections, nearly a quarter-million deaths, and tens of millions now on unemployment, food and housing insecure, or living in poverty, the urgency to act could not be greater. The Democratic House has long had the science-based national plan for testing, tracing and treatment needed to defeat the virus – and now, we have the leadership in the White House to turn our plan into action.

As we crush the virus, our Democratic Majority will also continue to deliver on our successful For The People agenda: lower health care costs, bigger paychecks, and cleaner government. Ours will be a government that fights for the people's interest, not the special interests – championing progress for seniors, veterans, immigrants, LGBTQ Americans, women, young people and frontline communities. This election has also shone a brighter light on the need to remove barriers to the ballot box so that the American people can make their voices heard. Our Democratic House will proudly pass our election reform, anti-corruption and voting rights legislation by passing H.R. 1 on the first day of the new Congress.

With a Democratic President, a Democratic House and Democrats in the Senate, it is imperative that we enact initiatives to make the economy fairer – ending wealth and health disparities. Our Caucus is blessed with many diverse and entrepreneurial perspectives. I'll be reaching out to get the benefit of your thinking fresh from your campaign trail.

Unfortunately, last week, President Trump and the GOP Senate committed an act of supreme desperation by jamming through a Supreme Court justice, after over 60 million Americans had already voted. Our Democratic Majority must be ready to reverse the damage of a radical Republican court and remedy what they will do to undermine justice in health, financial security, policing, human rights and equality. Nothing less is at stake than protecting the planet from the climate crisis and polluters.

Our vision for the next two years must be to build on the success of the Democratic House Majority in the 116th Congress, and to harness the extraordinary vision, values and vibrancy of our Caucus to secure the progress that the American people deserve.

In that spirit, I am writing to request your support to be re-elected as Speaker. I do so with the utmost respect for the diverse viewpoints of our Democratic Caucus, the gravity of this role and the urgency of the challenges ahead. I also do so with great joy and appreciation to so many of you who have already offered your support and encouragement.

Again, congratulations. Stay safe.



