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The Honorable Jerry Nadler
Chairman
House Committee on Judiciary
Rayburn House Office Building 2138
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Dear Chairman Nadler,

In defense of the rule of law and public trust, it is essential that the American public have complete faith in the impartiality of law enforcement. I write to you to formally request a hearing for former FBI Director James Comey, at the earliest possible date, to testify to potential misconduct and political bias in the investigation of former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn.

As you may know, on Friday, April 24, the Department of Justice provided material to Attorney Sidney Powell representing Flynn. Among the material are contemporaneous notes and emails from investigators on the case with statements such as:

- “what is our goal? Truth/Admission or to get him to lie so we can prosecute him?”
- “Could the admonition... be given at the beginning at the interview? Or does it have to come following a statement which agents believe to be false... it would be an easy way to just casually slip that in”

When investigators write notes such as “what is our goal?” it rightly creates suspicion that their goal is anything but impartial and fair administration of justice. The notes demonstrate a lack of concern for the truth of the matter and are instead plans to create any ground to charge Flynn. These notes do not hold a serious concern for the truth and potential innocence of an American war hero and are a search for “an easy way” to a conviction. Further, the involvement of the known politically biased Peter Strzok on the documents weakens trust that the investigation was done in complete good faith.

In regard to prosecutorial misconduct, the statute criminalizing lying to a Federal agent is clear that the lies are criminal only if they are materially relevant. If there was no good faith basis for

the investigation of Flynn, then it should properly call into question why he was pursued even after investigators were grasping for straws.

If the American people cannot trust our investigators, then how are they meant to trust the rule of law. As no one wants that result, I welcome the opportunity for Mr. Comey to present his case as to the conduct of the Flynn investigation and the potential political bias therein.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Gregory Steube". The signature is written in a cursive style with large, sweeping loops.

W. Gregory Steube
Member of Congress

CC: Ranking Member Jim Jordan (OH-04)