

Rep. David Sawyer
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David,

We are writing to you today regarding the accusations against you by several women.

As elected officials we have many duties to uphold. Our first is to the law. The forthcoming investigations will reveal which, if any were broken.

Another duty is to our values. As Democrats, that includes building a safe, inclusive work environment. One free from coercion or the appearance that its inherent power imbalances will be used for such purposes. This means treating all people, including women, with dignity and respect inside and outside of the workplace.

The women who have come forward were reluctant to do so in part because they were concerned how people would react, wondering if they would be believed and if they were, who would stand with them. More disturbing, is the concern there might be repercussions to their careers and personal lives.

If we remain silent, waiting for you to do the right thing, we would confirm the societal message that women are not taken seriously when they speak up.

We also have a duty to the communities we serve. Your actions have significantly compromised your ability to adequately represent our shared jurisdiction's constituents.

It is therefore our obligation to tell you that we cannot support you in another run for the Legislature. We ask that you take responsibility for your actions and not seek reelection at this time.

Sincerely,



Denny Heck
Congressman WA-10



Laurie Jenkins
State Representative 27th LD



Justin Camarata
Tacoma City Councilmember



Derek Kilmer
Congressman WA-06



Jake Fey
State Representative 27th LD



Catherine Ushka
Tacoma City Councilmember



Rosa Franklin
Former State Senator 29th LD



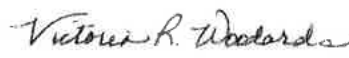
Christine Kilduff
State Representative 28th LD



Chris Beale
Tacoma City Councilmember



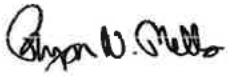
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Metro Parks Commissioner



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Pierce County Councilmember



Marty Campbell
Former Tacoma Councilmember



Rick Talbert
Pierce County Councilmember