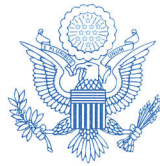


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Congress of the United States

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August 14, 2017

The Honorable Jefferson Sessions
Attorney General of the United States
950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Sessions,

As a former FBI Special Agent and current Member of the House Homeland Security Committee, I am urging the Administration and the Department of Justice to expand the investigation into the horrific events that occurred in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Your current investigation predicated on civil rights violations must be expanded to include a comprehensive domestic terrorism investigation into all facets of the tragic events in Charlottesville. These hateful acts must be responded to in a way that is becoming of the ideals of the United States of America. Expanding this investigation into domestic terrorism is necessary and called for in this instance.

How we respond to this incident as a nation is critical. The United States of America must have zero tolerance for hatred, bigotry and violence. The United States of America is better than that. The Administration and the Department of Justice must denounce the events of Charlottesville, and the individuals and groups involved, in the strongest possible terms, and those words must be put into action by the Department of Justice through a comprehensive domestic terrorism investigation.

As we mourn the lives lost and pray for those in critical condition, we thank the first responders tasked with restoring order and delivering care. We must stand together as Americans, resolute in the pursuit of justice for all. We shall defy all those who seek to tear apart our nation with hatred and violence.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brian K. Fitzpatrick".

Brian Fitzpatrick

Member of Congress