

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 554

Raising a question of the privileges of the House.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 26, 2021

Mr. MCCARTHY submitted the following resolution; which was laid on the table

RESOLUTION

Raising a question of the privileges of the House.

Whereas, on June 30, 2021, the House voted to establish a “Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol.”;

Whereas, H. Res. 503 states that “The Speaker shall appoint 13 Members to the Select Committee, 5 of whom shall be appointed after consultation with the Minority Leader.”;

Whereas, on June 30, 2021, Speaker Nancy Pelosi stated that “We believe that Congress must in the spirit of bipartisanship and patriotism establish this commission.”;

Whereas, when asked during a press conference on July 22 about the partisanship of the committee, Speaker Pelosi stated that “the less partisan it is, the more it will be accepted by the American people.”;

Whereas, in a statement put out by the Speaker’s Office, Speaker Pelosi stated that “our imperative must be to find the truth. We must do so in a way that retains the trust of the American people in the proceedings, so that they will have confidence in the truth that emerges.”;

Whereas, for the first known time in the history of the House, the Speaker of the House rejected two of the minority leader’s nominees to a Select Committee.;

Whereas, Speaker Pelosi’s own press release acknowledged that this was an “unprecedented decision.”; and

Whereas, Speaker Pelosi’s refusal to seat all five Republican Members directly harms the legitimacy, credibility, and integrity of the proceedings of the Select Committee: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) condemns the refusal of Speaker Nancy
3 Pelosi to seat all five Republican Members to the Se-
4 lect Committee; and

5 (2) urges the Speaker to make the following ap-
6 pointments to the Select Committee: Representative
7 Jim Banks of Indiana, Representative Jim Jordan
8 of Ohio, Representative Rodney Davis of Illinois,
9 Representative Kelly Armstrong of North Dakota,
10 and Representative Troy Nehls of Texas.

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