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H. RES. 652

Condemning the President of the United States and the executive branch of Government for continuous actions that violate the laws and Constitution of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WEBER of Texas (for himself, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. OLSON, Mr. HALL, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. NEUGEBAUER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Condemning the President of the United States and the executive branch of Government for continuous actions that violate the laws and Constitution of the United States.

Whereas the President violated the Constitution by unilaterally changing sections of the Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111–148) 23 times without congressional approval;

Whereas the President and the Department of Justice, in direct violation of their constitutional responsibility, decided to not enforce Federal law with regards to the Defense of Marriage Act (Public Law 104–199);

Whereas the President and the Department of Justice continues to choose not to enforce Federal drug laws (Public

Law 91–513, the Controlled Substances Act, and Public Law 100–690, the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1986);

Whereas the President violated the Constitution by making presidential appointments to the National Labor Relations Board and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau while Congress was not in session;

Whereas the President and the Department of Justice abused executive privilege with regards to the Operation Fast and Furious scandal, by refusing to comply with a subpoena issued by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of the House of Representatives in violation of section 192 of title 2, United States Code;

Whereas the President violated the law (Public Law 89–236) when he unilaterally changed our Nation’s immigration laws with regards to Deferred Action;

Whereas the President and the Department of Health and Human Services failed to enforce Federal law (Public Law 111–5) by illegally waiving the work requirement for welfare recipients;

Whereas the Internal Revenue Service violated the First Amendment to the United States Constitution by targeting non-profit organizations because of their religious or political beliefs;

Whereas the President and the Department of Defense knowingly violated the National Defense Authorization Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–66) by not providing a 30-day notice to Congress prior to transporting five Guantanamo detainees to Qatar in a prisoner swap;

Whereas article II, section 3 of the United States Constitution states in pertinent part that the President “shall take care that the Laws be faithfully executed.”; and

Whereas the House of Representatives reiterates its authority to impeach any president for failing to faithfully enforce the laws of the land or for violating the law: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) condemns the President and the executive
3 branch of Government for actions and acts that are
4 beyond the clearly defined laws of the United States;

5 (2) calls on the President and the executive
6 branch of Government to adhere to the Constitution
7 and halt all unlawful and illegal actions which cir-
8 cumvent Congress and violate the Constitution; and

9 (3) calls on the President and the executive
10 branch of Government to respect the constitutionally
11 defined separation of powers.

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