

# United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-6275

September 26, 2018

Honorable Charles Grassley  
Chairman  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Grassley:

In light of shocking new allegations detailed by Julie Swetnick in a sworn affidavit, we write to request that the Committee vote on Brett Kavanaugh be immediately canceled and that you support the reopening of the FBI investigation to examine all of the allegations against Kavanaugh or withdrawal of his nomination.

Under penalty of perjury, which would cause Ms. Swetnick to be subject to criminal prosecution, she states that she witnessed Brett Kavanaugh “engage in abusive and physically aggressive behavior toward girls, including pressing girls against him without their consent, ‘grinding against girls,’ and attempting to remove or shift girls’ clothing to expose private body parts” as well as “make crude sexual comments that were designed to demean, humiliate and embarrass them.”

The Senate Judiciary Committee is not a court of law. Our job is not to determine whether Brett Kavanaugh is guilty of a crime. Our job is to determine whether Brett Kavanaugh has the character and qualifications to be promoted to the most prestigious and powerful court in the country.

It would be an unprecedented abuse of power and abdication of our constitutional responsibilities to move forward with this nomination given the concerns about Brett Kavanaugh’s character and actions. We ask that you immediately request an FBI investigation or support the withdrawal of this

nominee, but at a minimum the vote that has been scheduled for Friday must be canceled.

Sincerely,

  
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Ranking Member

  
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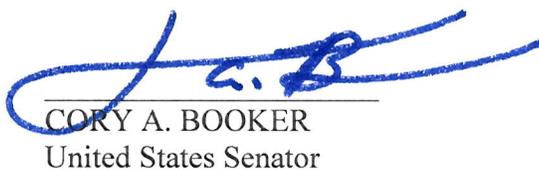
  
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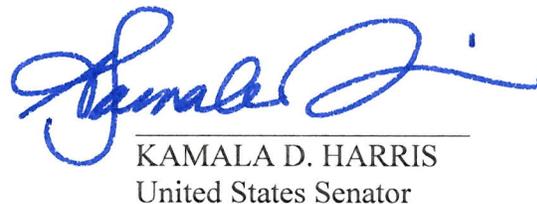
  
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