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The Honorable Eric Greitens
Missouri State Governor
State Capitol Building, Room 216
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Governor Greitens:

On Oct. 16, the House Ethics Committee will hold a public hearing on a remonstrance I am sponsoring that seeks a public reprimand of state Rep. Warren Love for his Aug. 30 social media comments hoping for the extra-judicial murder of those who recently vandalized a Confederate statue in Springfield. Since you have publicly stated that you believe Rep. Love should be held accountable for his actions, I would like to personally invite you to testify in support of the remonstrance, HRM 1.

In an Aug. 31 Twitter post responding to Rep. Love’s comments, you stated: “Leaders in MO need to do better & I don’t think the Sen or Rep should be representing the people of MO; both should face same consequences.” In a Sept. 1 story by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, your spokesman clarified your response by saying that you believe Rep. Love should resign his legislative seat.

As you are no doubt aware, the Senate voted on Sept. 13 to censure state Sen. Maria Chappelle-Nadal due to her own comments hoping for political violence. The senator also has been stripped of her committee assignments. To date, the House of Representatives has taken no action against Rep. Love.

If you sincerely believe that both Rep. Love and Sen. Chappelle-Nadal should face the same consequences, as you have previously stated, your testimony and leadership would go a long way toward ensuring that Rep. Love does not escape accountability for his actions.

The House Ethics Committee hearing on HRM 1 will begin at 1 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 16 in Room 302 A of the Capitol building. Please let me know at your earliest convenience if you will be able to attend.

Sincerely,

Rep. Gail McCann Beatty
House Minority Leader, District 26