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Common Cause Urges the House to Pass the Criminal Contempt Resolution for Peter Navarro and Daniel Scavino, Jr. for Failing to Cooperate with the January 6th Select Committee; Will "Score" Vote in our Next Democracy Scorecard

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Dear Representative:

No American is above the law, including the former President, his associates, and other elected officials. However, Peter Navarro and Daniel Scavino, Jr. have ignored and failed to comply with a subpoena from the House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol. On a unanimous, bipartisan vote earlier this week, the Select Committee referred criminal contempt charges to the full House. We therefore urge the House to certify a contempt citation against Mr. Navarro and Mr. Scavino and urge a "yes" vote on the criminal contempt resolution. **Common Cause will "score" this vote in our next Democracy Scorecard**, which we send to our 1.5 million supporters and to press.

Americans deserve to know the full truth about the attack on our democracy on January 6th at the U.S. Capitol when a violent, racist mob attempted to overturn the result of the 2020 election. We deserve the truth and must understand the causes behind the attack that left fatalities and scores of seriously injured in its wake. The truth is vitally important to establish at a time when many – even some Members of Congress – are trying to whitewash the vicious attack by a mob bearing Confederate flags, bear spray, cudgels, and zip ties with bombs and weapons caches hidden nearby. Given Mr. Navarro and Mr. Scavino's roles in the previous administration, they likely have information about the January 6th insurrection, and we Americans deserve to find out what they know about that deadly day, especially after it was reported that more than seven hours of ex-President Trump's call logs are missing.

We are a nation of laws, but far too often, the rich, powerful, and well-connected are let off the hook or given a slap on the wrist. That cannot happen with Mr. Navarro and Mr. Scavino, who have openly flouted the rule of law. They must be held accountable. If the House votes to advance criminal contempt proceedings against these two individuals, the Department of Justice must fulfill its duty and do whatever is necessary to enforce these charges.

We strongly urge a "yes" vote to advance criminal contempt charges against Peter Navarro and Daniel Scavino, Jr. for ignoring a congressional subpoena.

Sincerely,

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