

GREITENS' STATEMENT ON COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1

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P R O C E E D I N G S

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2 GREITENS: Later today a report will make
3 accusations about my personal life. We fully expect that
4 the report being released tonight will include lies and
5 falsehoods.

6 I want to say again what I've said from the
7 beginning, this is a political witch-hunt.

8 In just 33 days a court of law and a jury of my
9 peers will let every person in Missouri know the truth and
10 prove my innocence. In 33 days this witch-hunt will come
11 to an end.

12 Over three years ago I made a personal mistake.
13 I engaged in a consensual relationship with a woman who is
14 not my wife. It was a private mistake that I regret every
15 day.

16 With the help of friends and loved ones and
17 prayers, my family moved forward.

18 This was a private mistake. It has nothing to do
19 with government and shouldn't be about politics, but people
20 are turning that personal mistake into a political
21 spectacle and telling new lies about it.

22 Let's call this what it is, a political
23 witch-hunt now based on the testimony of someone who said,
24 under oath, that they may be remembering this through a
25 dream.

1 We expect that tonight's report will be full of
2 more false, outlandish and salacious accusations.

3 Now, keep in mind how this was written. No
4 standard of evidence were used. No witnesses were
5 cross-examined. No one who was representing me was allowed
6 in the room, and no members of the press or the public were
7 allowed in the room.

8 If the Committee had waited 33 days, they would
9 have received a full set of facts. Instead, it was decided
10 to publish an incomplete document made in secret; one that,
11 based on the falsehoods that have been pushed from the
12 beginning, seems will be filled with lies that we now know
13 may have come from a dream.

14 We've heard some of the stories they've been
15 pushing in the press, and they are downright false.

16 This matter is being tried in a court of law, and
17 a court has a procedure in place for making sure that
18 people are telling the truth, but the people interviewed by
19 the Committee face no consequences for telling lies.

20 Since the beginning, their stories have changed,
21 their memories have been hazy, and their lies have been
22 revealed for all to see.

23 Soon after this story broke, for example, the
24 people who are attacking me now falsely claim that I
25 slapped a woman while my wife was giving birth.

1 It was absolutely untrue and slanderous and
2 incredibly hurtful.

3 It has also been 100 percent disproven, because
4 it was impossible. I was with Sheena in the hospital when
5 our son was born. It was a lie, and they continue to lie
6 throughout this entire process.

7 Just 48 hours ago our attackers lied about how
8 they have spied on and harassed my family.

9 Now, I fully expect that they will come up with
10 new lies and new accusations, but the people of Missouri
11 see through this, and they know far better than to trust
12 one-sided, tabloid trash gossip that was produced in a
13 secret report.

14 The people of Missouri recognize all of this for
15 what it is, and they see that the people who are driving
16 this story are part of an absurd political witch-hunt.

17 It is an honor to work for the people of
18 Missouri. And all of you should know that that deeply-felt
19 honor, that deeply felt -- inspires me every day. And that
20 I will continue to serve the people of Missouri as their
21 governor and to work for you every day.

22 And they know, they need to know that fake
23 charges and falsehoods aren't going to stop us.

24 This is nothing new. When I came into politics
25 as an outsider, I was attacked with falsehoods every day.

1 They attacked my service as a Navy Seal. They
2 attacked my service for veterans through The Mission
3 Continues. They attacked my humanitarian.

4 Since we got into office, they have attacked us
5 every single day. But know this, they don't scare us.
6 We're not scared by the lies, and we are not afraid of
7 their falsehoods.

8 This is exactly like what's happening with the
9 witch-hunts in Washington D.C., smearing, lying and
10 attacking people who want to change how things are done is
11 wrong in Washington and it's wrong in Missouri.

12 People see how this works. They launch attacks.
13 They let accusations fly. And then some politician and
14 irresponsible members of the media pile on.

15 I fully expect that desperate people and some
16 politicians will bring more phoney charges and make more
17 false accusations.

18 But here's the good news, in 33 days this will
19 all come to an end because in the United States of America
20 you get your day in court.

21 I want to thank all of the good people who have
22 stood up with us, who have stood beside us, people who have
23 prayed for us, people who have stood beside us, people who,
24 even in the face of injustice, have stood firmly behind us.

25 And this includes many state representatives and

1 state senators and elected officials, all of whom recognize
2 that the Court of law must do its work, and that in this
3 country we don't judge people before justice is done.

4 I'm grateful to everyone who has stood beside us,
5 and it is an honor to work for the people of Missouri every
6 day.

7 Thank you all, and God bless you.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on this 14th day of April 2018.

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