

## Constituent Letter Submission - Trump Administration and freedom of speech

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To: langworthywatch@gmail.com

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Thank you for contacting me to express your concerns about the Trump Administration and freedom of speech. I appreciate the opportunity to respond and share my perspective.

Free expression is a fundamental right protected by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution, and it remains the foundation of our democracy. I firmly believe that Americans must be able to express their views openly—whether in the classroom, online, or in public forums—without fear of censorship, intimidation, or government interference. This freedom allows for the exchange of ideas, vigorous debate, and the advancement of truth, all of which are essential to a thriving society. As your Representative, I will always defend your freedom to speak freely, whether I agree with you, or not.

Actions taken by the Trump Administration to limit the Associated Press (AP) from attending certain Oval Office events, traveling on Air Force One, and joining small press pools are not unconstitutional. The AP has continued to report on the administration freely and without obstruction. Unlike the Biden Administration who pressured social media companies to remove content they disagreed with—raising serious concerns about government free expression—the President Trump has made no effort to silence the voices of everyday Americans. In fact, the Trump Administration has expanded access to the White House Briefing Room for independent journalists, new media platforms, and politically focused podcasts, ensuring a wider range of voices are represented and heard.

In Congress, I have consistently supported legislation aimed at upholding your Constitutional Rights to freedom of speech and freedom of expression. For example, I proudly supported the Protecting Speech from Government Interference Act (H.R. 140) when this legislation passed the House last Congress. H.R.140 would have safeguarded lawful speech by prohibiting federal officials from pressuring social media platforms to remove content. This measure is critical in ensuring that government actors do not wield undue influence over private companies in ways that could restrict free expression. Unfortunately, former Senate Majority Leader Schumer refused to bring this legislation for a vote on the Senate Floor last Congress and it has not yet been reintroduced in the current Congress.

Rest assured that as the House considers further legislation to protect the fundamental, Constitutionally-protected right of free speech, I will keep our shared support in mind.

Once again, thank you for contacting me about this important issue. Please do not hesitate to reach out

with any additional questions, comments or concerns. My door is always open, and I am honored to serve Western New York and the Southern Tier in Washington.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicholas A. Langworthy".

**Rep. Nicholas A. Langworthy**  
Member of Congress