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## Joint Statement of Condemnation on the Domestic Terrorist Attack at the US Capitol

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WASHINGTON, PA—January 7, 2021

We, the Student Voting Coalition, the W&J College Democrats, the W&J College Republicans, and the W&J Democratic Socialists, stand united in our condemnation of the riot that occurred in the Capitol building in Washington D.C yesterday afternoon as a violent group of right-wing extremists attempted to stop the counting of the electoral votes by Congress. This was an attack on the very pillars of democracy and an attack on our republic. While our democracy is made more perfect through activism and protest, it is our opinion that this went far beyond the point of being a protest to be an insurrection and an act of domestic terrorism. The core of this violent act goes against our organizations' collective values to protect the rights of all Americans to be able to vote, ensure that the voice of the people is represented in the election, and support a peaceful transition of power between elected officials. We hope that every American and member of the W&J community will reflect on these issues as we move forward together.