

## Nancy Pelosi Speaker of the House

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The Honorable Donald J. Trump President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

In their great wisdom, our Founders crafted a Constitution based on a system of separation of powers: three co-equal branches acting as checks on each other. To ensure that balance of powers, the Constitution calls for the President to "from time to time give to the Congress Information of the State of the Union."

In the spirit of respecting our Constitution, I invite you to deliver your State of the Union address before a Joint Session of Congress on Tuesday, February 4, 2020 in the Chamber of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

best regards,

NANCY PELOSI Speaker of the House