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An Open Letter to State Election Officials:

It is disappointing that in this moment I feel it is my duty to remind you of your role and responsibilities in our Democratic processes. The American people have been watching, and we are frustrated and saddened by the vast amount of irregularities in swing states across our country.

I have faith in our institutions, but serious questions have been raised regarding the way this election has been conducted. This should not be a partisan issue. The alleged incidents of election fraud that have occurred over the past week are deeply concerning. These are not insignificant allegations, and include suspected incidents of vote-buying schemes, voter intimidation, voter impersonation, counting late and/or fake votes, and even the illegal discarding of ballots. I have demanded U.S. law enforcement agencies open investigations into these allegations.

The President and the American people are right to demand transparency and accuracy as votes are counted. These two principles are fundamental to the preservation of our Democratic processes, and so far various state election officials have failed on both counts.

This election is not over – every legal vote must be counted. As we continue through this process, I would like to remind you that America is watching.

Sincerely,

Jason Smith

Member of Congress