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Mr. Bruce Reed Former Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy

Dear Mr. Reed:

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is investigating the role of former senior White House officials in possibly usurping authority from former President Joe Biden and the ramifications of a White House staff intent on hiding his rapidly worsening mental and physical faculties. The Committee has been investigating this issue for nearly a year. The Committee seeks to understand who made key decisions and exercised the powers of the executive branch during the previous administration, possibly without former President Biden's consent. The Committee requests your testimony to evaluate your eye-witness account of former President Biden's decline.

The Committee is interested in obtaining your account of former President Biden's decline, as you were reportedly one of the five White House staffers who were "effectively family" to the former President. You were described as "nearly always by [former President] Biden's side on the road" and one of the key staffers in the inner circle. The scope of your responsibilities—both official and otherwise—and personal interactions within the Oval Office cannot go without investigation. If White House staff carried out a strategy lasting months or even years to hide the chief executive's condition—or to perform his duties—Congress may need to consider a legislative response.

The Committee believes you have information critical to this investigation and requests your appearance for a transcribed interview on July 8, 2025. By June 11, 2025, please 1) confirm you will attend the transcribed interview scheduled on July 8, 2025, voluntarily, 2) provide an alternative date for the interview to occur within one week of July 8, 2025, or 3) notify the Committee that you will require a subpoena to compel your attendance for a deposition on July 8, 2025. June 11, 2025, is not a deadline to inform the Committee you require additional time to weigh your response. To ask any related follow-up questions, please contact the Committee

¹ Letter from James Comer, Chairman, H. Comm. on Oversight and Accountability, to Edward Siskel, Assistant to the President and White House Counsel, The White House (July 10, 2024).

² Alex Thompson & Hans Nichols, Scoop: Inside Biden's shrinking inner circle, AXIOS (July 12, 2024).

 $^{^3}$ Id.

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Majority staff at (202) 225-5074.

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is the principal oversight committee of the U.S. House of Representatives and has broad authority to investigate "any matter" at "any time" under House Rule X. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

James Comer

Chairman

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

cc: The Honorable Stephen F. Lynch Committee on Oversight and Government Reform