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The Honorable Robert G. Good
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Good,

I am writing on behalf of the members of the Virginia State Fraternal Order of Police regarding your underhanded and reprehensible conduct in the House chamber on Tuesday evening.

While thousands of law enforcement officers were going to the polls, you and the presiding officer, Representative Andrew P. Harris, MD conspired to violate the rules and practices of the House, which prohibit unanimous consent requests without the prior consent of the chairman and ranking members of the committee of jurisdiction as well as that of the Speaker of the House and the Minority Leader. You did not have this consent, but the presiding officer allowed your request to table H.R. 82, the "Social Security Fairness Act," to proceed. You demonstrated great disrespect for the House, your colleagues, and the millions of retired public employees who have lost a benefit they earned through their work because of Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and the Government Pension Offset (GPO). Because you failed to adhere to the practices of the House for unanimous consent requests during a *pro forma* session, a bill that has the support of 330 of your colleagues and which was scheduled to be considered next week now faces additional obstacles.

Your conduct was shameful and an affront to the people of the district, who should be grateful that you will not be representing them in the new Congress. You actively sought to deprive your fellow Representatives of the right to consider a very popular and bipartisan bill, which they should view as a grave breach of trust.

Sincerely,

Ray Clemons
President, Virginia State Lodge

cc: Patrick Yoes, National President, Fraternal Order of Police