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CONGRESSMAN WILEY NICKEL  
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NORTH CAROLINA'S THIRTEENTH DISTRICT

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Dear Colleague,

With Russia making battlefield gains and Ukraine literally running out of bullets, the eyes of the world are on the U.S. House of Representatives.

Authoritarian regimes like Russia, China, Iran, and North Korea are watching closely to see if we'll honor our commitments and stand with our democratic ally or if we'll hand over Ukraine to Vladimir Putin.

If Congress fails to act, it'll go down as one of the greatest foreign policy failures in our nation's history. Let's be clear about where history will place the blame. If Congress fails to act, history won't be kind in the judgment that **House Republicans surrendered Ukraine to Russia.**

To my Republican colleagues in the majority, are you pro-democracy or pro-Putin? Are you willing to join the 22 Senate Republicans who voted to put country over party? You can either bow down to Donald Trump and the Pro-Putin wing of the Republican conference, or you can stand with Democracies around the world. You can waive the white surrender flag I've enclosed, which says "House Republicans Surrendered Ukraine to Russia." or you can stand with Ukraine and bring the Senate's bipartisan security package to the floor.

The choice to stand with democracies over authoritarian regimes is the defining challenge of our time. That's why I'm urging you to support immediate and desperately needed military and humanitarian assistance for Ukraine.

History is watching what happens next. Let's come together, not as Democrats or Republicans, but as Americans, and firmly stand with our ally Ukraine.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wiley Nickel". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Wiley Nickel  
Member of Congress