At the U.S. Capitol website, it states that "the U.S. Congress conducts investigations to oversee the executive branch, and serves as the voice of the people and the states in the federal government." Is Congress derelict in its duties?

AN OPEN LETTER TO CONGRESSMAN DANA ROHRABACHER (CA-46)
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(Apr. 10, 2010) — Since you are my representative in the 46th district, it is important to me that you understand my position. Under these outrageous circumstances, I find it difficult to remain civil. I fully recognize that I may not have all of the facts totally correct and therefore, I would respectfully request that you correct any misconceptions expressed in the following.

First I would appreciate a response to the 20 charges against Congress listed below. Your prompt reply would be appreciated. Since when did it become legal under our Constitution for you to do the following:

1. Abusing the public trust
2. Unabashed violation of the rule of law
3. Unprecedented violations of the Constitution
4. Violating my civil rights
5. Violating my right to free speech
6. You and all the other members of the 111th Congress permitting the fraudulent certification of Barack Obama as president
7. Using public assets to bribe legislators in exchange for partisan favors
8. Recklessly illegally committing all American citizens to future financial obligations
9. Permitting Obama to make treaties without the advice and consent of Congress
10. Congress’s refusal to heed our grievances and abide by the will of the people
11. Denigrating our military heroes by court-martialed them for doing the job they have been trained to do and labeling them as “right-wing terrorists” upon their return from the war theater
12. Taxation of the people without representation
13. Congress authorizing its own pay increases year after year when the country is bankrupt
14. Congress authorizing its own separate, luxurious health care plan
15. Congress’s exemption from participating in Social Security and authorizing its own retirement program
16. False and misleading statements made by government representatives
17. Your failure to properly represent my interests as your constituent
18. You and every member of the 111th Congress permitted gross abuse of the legal system
19. You and every member of the 111th congress is guilty of dereliction of duty
20. Your violation to uphold your oath of office to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States.

You may find my criticism to be unjustified as it applies to you, but let me assure you, this is not just about you. To clarify this point further, my references are directed to all of the members of the 111th Congress. In my mind, this Congress acted as an institution; consequently, you all share the responsibility for this gross abuse of power.

It is my contention that at any time, a true patriot, a true representative of the people, a representative sensitive to the need to protect the integrity of the Constitution, was legally compelled, by reason of **MISPRISION**, to stop any unconstitutional or illegal proceedings by immediately taking the floor and declaring:

> It is unconstitutional for us to enact a law that exempts “us” from the terms and conditions of it. So, any of us who votes for it, or even brings it up for a vote, is violating his or her sworn oath to protect and defend the Constitution and must therefore remove himself immediately from this chamber and from the process that would even consider such an unconstitutional act.

Such a champion of the Constitution could have followed with:

> That said, I invite all who agree with me to leave this Chamber immediately and to refuse to be a participant in this unconstitutional process and act. Please, follow me, – and may God have mercy on the souls of those who refuse to do so!

Granted, this would have required exceptional leadership and courage, but let me remind you, Congressman, you were not elected to be just “present” as my representative in Congress. This was a unique time in history where the legal basis of our government was challenged. This was a time which called for leadership, not simply representation.

We are speaking of the failure of a political process that should be governing our great nation. We are speaking to the intent and the spirit in which the American values of justice and the rule of law were established. With few exceptions, those
values, until, specifically, this Congress, the 111th Congress was seated, had been held in high regard and were respected and revered. Today, as a result of what I consider as the illegal, flagrant abuse of power, these values, processes and principles have been totally abused and violated.

Even representative John Boehner called attention to and confirmed the very nature of this egregious set of circumstances. Sadly, however, no one had the courage to step forward and protect the Constitution from this eventual act of rape, an act not only perpetrated against the American legal system but against the American people as well.

But you know, Congressman Rohrabacher, in my view, you and the rest of the members of this Congress openly invited this disaster. There were many signs and indications of pending problems. This whole set of circumstances could have been averted but even with many warnings you chose to ignore them. Therefore this represents to me one more count of MISPRISION. Even when I visited you in your office and challenged the very core of this situation, Obama’s eligibility, with great confidence, you passed off my concerns as not being relevant or important.

What I find very strange is that we see consistent evidence of a gross cover-up. Did your failure to act render you a party to this crime?

Just look at the evidence presented here that foreign influence is controlling our government.

And if the eligibility of the person in the White House is not of such importance, why is Obama spending large sums of money to continue to seal his records? And why, may I ask, is this Saudi prince so interested in meddling in the political affairs of this country? Please correct me if I am wrong, but does this not constitute a clear and present danger to our national security? Doesn’t this act add Treason to the list of charges against this Congress?

I see this as part of a larger problem where the administration has engaged in conduct that has violated the First Amendment rights of Americans. This demonstrates that the media have been engaged in suppressing information and abridging the content. Just what do you propose to do to address this violation of the Constitution?
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