



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
HARRISBURG

THE SPEAKER

May 23, 1977

Honorable Kenneth E. Brandt  
House of Representatives  
Harrisburg, PA

Dear Ken:

This letter is to advise you of my intentions concerning the Speaker's office and my membership in the House of Representatives.

As you know, a Federal jury has established my innocence on all charges involving extortion, bribery, blackmail, conspiracy, mail fraud and two counts of obstruction of justice.

I am fully confident that my appeal on the two technical violations remaining will be sustained and that I will be totally vindicated.


However, because it is my strong desire that the House of Representatives be free to direct its full attention to the critical problems with which it is faced, I am herewith submitting my resignation as Speaker and as a member of the House of Representatives from the 194th District as of Monday, May 23, 1977.

My love of the Chamber demands that I do no less.

Together, we have done much to enable the House to better serve the people of Pennsylvania. I know you will continue that work.

With warm personal regards,

Cordially,

  
Herbert Fineman  
The Speaker

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