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Denver DA McCann Joins with Elected Prosecutors Nationwide in Condemning Wednesday’s Attack on the United States Capitol

DENVER—Denver District Attorney Beth McCann today announced that she has joined with more than 60 elected district attorneys and attorneys general in [signing a statement](#) condemning President Trump’s incitement of violence and attempts to undermine the results of a fair and free election on Wednesday and which culminated in an attack on the nation’s Capitol by armed and violent insurrectionists.

“As prosecutors, we are duty bound to promote and uphold justice which is the cornerstone of the founding of our country,” said DA McCann. “Those who attacked the U.S. Capitol are attacking our peaceful transfer of power which is fundamental to our democracy and is held up as model of democracy throughout the world. Those who committed this behavior must be held accountable and I join with other leaders in calling for a complete investigation into the reasons for the stunning failure of security at the U.S. Capitol including the role racial bias may have played.”

The statement organized by [Fair and Just Prosecution](#) calls for accountability for anyone who incited or was involved in the attack as well as all who failed to adequately prepare for or appropriately respond to it. The statement underscores the damage done by eroding faith in our nation’s democratic processes, and also urges all elected leaders to immediately accept the results of the 2020 election.

“The assault we saw on the Capitol this week was the culmination of four years of a relentless narrative that has perpetuated untruths and attacks on the rule of law and our democratic norms and institutions,” said Miriam Krinsky, Executive Director of Fair and Just Prosecution.

The statement calls for President Trump and all other elected leaders to, “denounce these attacks and those who participated in them in no uncertain terms, to cease perpetuating mistruths that are fanning distrust and division in our nation, and to accept the results of the 2020 election.”