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Dr. Edwin Chase
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Dear Dr. Chase, *Edwin*

Thank you for your letter. It is good to hear from you.

While I disagree with your interpretation of the President's comments and your assertion that he has stated he will not accept the results of the election, I share your commitment to a peaceful transition of power. This week I joined a bipartisan majority in voting to reaffirm our commitment to a peaceful and orderly transition of power as outlined in the Constitution.

I do share concerns with the President on indiscriminately mailing ballots to voters across the country without the voter requesting a ballot. As we saw in Georgia with the effort of mailing absentee ballot request forms to every registered voter, the voter roll is often out of date. Routine efforts by our state to address this as outlined in federal law were recently labeled racist and used by former gubernatorial candidate Stacey Abrams to cast doubt on the outcome of our last election.

With that said, I often am unable to vote in person on Election Day when votes or other legislative business require me to be outside Chatham County. I find the process of requesting, completing, and returning the absentee ballot seamless and secure.

To assist states with safely and securely administering our elections, I lent my support to H.R. 3412, the *Election Security Assistance Act*, which would authorize grants to states for election technology and security, require election poll books to meet voting system standards, and facilitate better information sharing between federal and state entities regarding election cybersecurity incidents.

Thank you, again, for your letter. While we may not agree on everything, we share a commitment to free, fair, and secure elections. I certainly appreciate your friendship and faithful leadership at Wesley Monumental throughout the years, and it is an honor to represent you.

Sincerely,

Buddy

Earl L. "Buddy" Carter
Member of Congress

*Thanks for
contacting me -
hope all is well!*