

February 7, 2019

House Democratic Caucus  
1420 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Jeffries:

On behalf of 16 transparency and accountability organizations, we request you make the current rules for the Democratic Caucus of the House of Representatives publicly available on your website.

Just as publication of the rules for the House of Representatives is necessary for government accountability, so too is publication of the caucus rules. Public access empowers understanding of legislative branch activities, provides essential detail on how you govern, and exemplifies your commitment to open government. For this reason, we join the civil society members who reached out to you last week on this matter in calling for the publication of the caucus rules.

The rules adopted by the Democratic caucus have a significant impact on the legislative process. We note that the House Republican conference rules includes a requirement for their online publication, which the conference has satisfied these past few Congresses.

We thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this matter. Should any questions arise, please contact Daniel Schuman, policy director, Demand Progress Education Fund, at [Daniel@DemandProgress.org](mailto:Daniel@DemandProgress.org) or 240-237-3930.

Sincerely yours,

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