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# Thomas Massie to Cosponsor MTG Motion to Vacate Against Speaker Johnson

In a statement this morning, Representative Thomas Massie (R-Ky.) announced he is cosponsoring a Motion to Vacate by Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-Ga.), posting on X:

> I just told Mike Johnson in conference that I'm cosponsoring the Motion to Vacate that was introduced by @RepMTG . He should pre-announce his resignation (as Boehner did), so we can pick a new Speaker without ever being without a GOP Speaker.



AP Images
Thomas Massie

In response to Massie, House Speaker Mike Johnson (R-La.) stated he would not resign: "I am not resigning and it is in my view an absurd notion that someone would bring a vacate motion when we are simply here trying to do our jobs."

Massie claimed Johnson could avoid the same fate as Former Speaker Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.) by resigning, stating on X, "He said he won't resign. I said to him that he is the only one who can prevent us from going through what happened last fall."

Massie said Johnson's support for FISA, funding foreign wars, and spending were factors in his decision, stating on X, "All of the above. This camel has a pallet of bricks."

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