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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](#):

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(@RepThomasMassie) [April 16, 2024](#)

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.”

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— The Recount (@therecount) [April 16, 2024](#)

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



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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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