

## **Text of [Hakeem Jeffries' speech](#)**

We will never compromise our principles. House Democrats will always put

American values over autocracy

Benevolence over bigotry

The Constitution over cult

Democracy over demagogues

Economic opportunity over extremism

Freedom over fascism

Governing over gaslighting

Hopefulness over hatred

Inclusion over isolation

Justice over judicial overreach

Knowledge over kangaroo courts

Liberty over limitation

Maturity over Mar-a-Lago

Normalcy over negativity

Opportunity over obstruction

People over politics

Quality of life issues over QAnon

Reason over racism

Substance over slander

Triumph over tyranny

Understanding over ugliness

Voting rights over voter suppression

Working families over the well connected

Xenia over xenophobia

Yes, we can over you can't do it

Zealous representation over zero sum confrontation