The 25th Amendment to The U.S. Constitution

Here is Section 4 of the 25th Amendment, passed by Congress July 6, 1965, and ratified Feb. 10, 1967.

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Whenever the Vice President and a majority of either the principal officers of the executive departments or of such other body as Congress may by law provide, transmits to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, the Vice President shall immediately assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting President. Thereafter, when the President transmits to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives his written

declaration that no inability exists, he shall resume the powers and duties of his office unless the Vice President and a majority of either the principal officers of the executive department or of such other body as Congress may by law provide, transmit within four days to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office. Thereupon Congress shall decide the issue, assembling within forty-eight hours for that purpose if not in session. If the Congress, within twenty-one days after receipt of the latter written declaration, or, if Congress is not in session, within twenty-one days after Congress is required to assemble, determines by two-thirds vote of both Houses that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, the Vice President shall continue to discharge the same as Acting President; otherwise, the President shall resume the powers and duties of his office.

Congress is called back from recess, immediately, to consider an impeachment, in this form of impeachment.

"It requires no offense, other than the fact that he has got the problems, and the problems that are diagnosed in the act, as by Jerrold Post and company who composed the study on which the amendment is based—all the conditions are there: This guy is cracking up, he's gone. He's not qualified to be President. He must be removed for the sake of the nation, and we have the Constitutional Amendment, which prepares exactly this. And he is exactly the mental type, described in detail, the narcissist syndrome, and there is no question about it. I diagnosed this, of course, on April 11, of last year, and I was right then, and I'm more right than ever today. So, this man has to go.

"If he doesn't go, the nation itself is in danger, by virtue of his intrinsic incompetence.

"And we see the Congress is inept, incapable of responding to anything competently. We are going into an election where we're going to have chaos in the Congress, as a result of the lack of competent action by the Congress, under the conditions of breakdown....

"There are other implications of this: Because we

are on the verge of a general breakdown crisis of the entire world economy. This is now in process. We have global hyperinflation; it's not only global hyperinflation, it's admitted to be hyperinflation, by our government, by the Treasury Department, by the Federal Reserve. And the Europeans are doing the same thing! Hyperinflation.

"Now, this means a worse condition than what hit, as a result of the German hyperinflation of 1923. The German hyperinflation of 1923 was compartmentalized to within the borders of Germany. And therefore, the rest of Europe, while affected by this, was not clobbered by it. Germany was.

"Now, that means, we are now having a 1923 Germany-style chain-reaction collapse of the world economy, now in progress, on a global scale, and there are no present barriers to a general breakdown crisis of the entire world economy.

"Europe is unable to handle it. Europe has not shown any capability. You have rustling, in Germany; they are not happy about this whole situation. Russia's got a problem, they have not resolved the problem of management there, their economic policy. China is holding out, and China will resist, but, if the United

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