

September 13, 2019

Re: World Trade Center Building 7 Collapse Reports by NIST and UAF

Dear Congressman Cummings:

I am writing you today on behalf of more than 3,000 architects and engineers who have signed a petition calling on the U.S. Congress to open a new investigation into the destruction of the *three* World Trade Center towers on September 11, 2001.

In September 2002, the U.S. Congress passed the National Construction Safety Team Act, which mandated the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) to investigate and determine the most likely technical cause of these three building failures. NIST conducted its investigation over the next six years, releasing its report on the Twin Towers in 2005 and its report on World Trade Center Building 7 (WTC 7) in 2008.

Sadly, it has become apparent to the thousands of professionals who have signed our petition, as well as to countless experts in other technical fields, that NIST conducted its investigation based on the pre-determined conclusion that all three failures were due primarily to fire. Along the way, NIST ignored, dismissed, and denied the overwhelming evidence contradicting that conclusion.

As part of our effort to establish the truth about these three building failures, we have funded a four-year computer modeling study of the collapse of WTC 7 by engineers at the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF). The draft report of this study was released on September 3, 2019. The final report will be published by the end of the year, after a two-month public comment period.

We respectfully ask that you, as chairman of the House Committee on Oversight and Reform, read the draft report. Then, following the release of the final report, we ask that you do everything in your power to have the Committee on Oversight and Reform investigate the profound discrepancies between the NIST findings and UAF findings — and hold NIST and its lead investigators accountable. Pending the outcome of your investigation, we also ask you to consider introducing the Bobby McIlvaine World Trade Center Investigation Act, which would establish a select committee to reinvestigate the destruction of all three World Trade Center towers (see AE911Truth.org/justice).

Enclosed you will find the abstract of the UAF WTC 7 report. You may download the full report at http://ine.uaf.edu or at https://AE911Truth.org/wtc7. If you have any questions, please contact me directly.

Sincerely yours,

Richard Gage, AIA Founder and President