

Now, four years later, the nation is in the midst of another presidential election. Moreover, on September 18, 2020, we lost a hero in Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, leaving a vacancy on the United States Supreme Court.

The Baltimore City Council is calling on Senator McConnell to heed his own words and allow the American people to have a role in filling Justice Ginsburg's seat by not holding a vote on any Supreme Court nominees until after the presidential election on November 3. If Senator McConnell wants to create arbitrary rules that denied President Obama his rightful nominee a mere vote, Senator McConnell should heed them even when there is a Republican in the White House. Anything less would be pure hypocrisy.

Let the American people have their say on November 3.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of Baltimore, That the Council calls on the United States Senate to not a consider any Supreme Court nominations until after the American people have decided who the next President of the United States shall be on November 3.

And be it further resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor, the Honorable Senate Majority Leader, the Honorable Senate Minority Leader, the Maryland Delegation to the United States Senate, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.