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Dems subpoena Mueller report

By Lisa Mascaro
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON » The chairman of the House Judiciary Committee issued a subpoena Friday for special counsel Robert Mueller's full report as Democrats intensified their investigation of President Donald Trump, but leaders stopped short of liberal demands for impeachment proceedings.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi has insisted on a methodical, step-

by-step approach to the House's oversight of the Trump administration, and she refuses to consider impeachment without public support, including from Republicans, which seems unlikely. But in light of Mueller's findings, Democratic leaders are under mounting pressure from the party's rising stars, deep-pocketed donors and even a presidential contender to seize the moment as a jumping-off point for trying to remove Trump from office.

Speaking Friday in Belfast as Pelosi wrapped up a congressional visit to Ireland, she declined to signal action beyond Congress' role as a check and balance for the White House.

"Let me assure you that whatever the issue and challenge we face, the Congress of the United States will honor its oath of office to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States to protect our democracy," she told re-

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President Donald Trump waves during his arrival with first lady Melania Trump on Air Force One at Palm Beach International Airport.

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DESTINED TO BURN

IGNORING FIRE RISKS IS PART OF THE CALIFORNIA DREAM



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A damaged pickup sits among other remains, Aug. 22, 2012, at a rural house site outside Manton, where the Ponderosa Fire burned through.

Column: 'This neighborhood is going to burn to the ground some day.' We bought the house anyway.

By Ryan Sabalow

In the winter of 2009, my wife and I found a house that looked like a great place to start our family, a three-bed-

room in a hilly subdivision surrounded by dry brush just outside the Redding city limits.

By that point, I'd covered wildfires for the Record Searchlight newspaper for three years. I'd seen fire after

fire ignite during Shasta County's blast-furnace summers in the brushy chaparral that dominates the landscape.

In 2008, a freak early summer lightning storm ignited more than 86,500 acres in the area, prompting the evacuation of dozens of families. I stood in that very subdivision where we now wanted to live as residents watched a churning smoke plume on the other side the Sacramento River canyon.

The fire didn't jump the river that day.

But as my wife, Cara, and I toured that same subdivision, I told her, "This neighborhood is going to burn to the ground some day."

We bought the house anyway.

The quiet streets, the running trails and the fishing opportunities minutes away in Lake Shasta outweighed the risk.

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City takes stand against short-term rentals

Sophisticated software used to catch scofflaws

By Dennis L. Taylor
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To thwart homeowners from renting out their houses for short periods of time and consequently taking them off the market for long-term renters, the Monterey City Council is continuing its beefed-up enforcement of its short-term rental ban.

The short-term rental industry in Monterey sprung from owners of second or third homes renting out the houses for vacationers and others for a price they could never charge long-term renters. Rental housing in the city is in short supply and elected officials saw short-term rentals as one of a number practices contributing to the shortage.

The problem with the ban from the perspective of Monterey Bay Renters United, a loosely knit coalition of activists pushing for renters' rights and more affordable housing, is that these homeowners tend to work around the ban. The city defines short-term rentals as anything 30 days and less.

"(Homeowners) just rent it out for 31 days," said Karen McBride, one of the founders of Renters United who added that they are supportive of the city's effort to rein in out-of-town owners who are violating the ordinance.

The 30-day definition of short-term rentals is spelled out in the city charter.

The ban on short-term rentals dates back to the early 1990s when voters passed an amendment that prohibited any additional hotels

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The San Jose Sharks may have waited one game too long to reprise their best selves. PAGE B1



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