On Friday February 7, following the vindictive and retributive firing of Lt. Col. Alexander Viindman and Ambassador Gordon Sondland (both of whom testified against President Donald Trump), Maine Senator Susan Collins had the unmitigated gall to tell reporters:

"I obviously am not in favor of any kind of retribution against anyone who came forward with evidence." Really? What a less than forceful rhetorical and uncourageous response!

I wonder what she proposes to do about it. Collins will not, I predict, enforce her disfavor with decisive action. Like all Trump sycophants, who weakly may say they don't like what Trump does but themselves fear retribution, she will continue to be a lemming, acquiescing to the King-in-Chief—regardless of what he says and does.

I trust that Maine voters are smart enough to see Collins for who she is and vote her out of office. She failed to reject Brett Kavanaugh when
he was nominated to be a Supreme Court Justice. Her vote to subpoena witnesses and documents meant little given the predetermined outcome; many understood she was given a pass by Majority Leader Mitch McConnell on this vote to appease her constituents in Maine. And then she wouldn’t stand with fellow Republican Senator Mitt Romney on the all-important vote to convict the President.

It’s time for a Senator from Maine who has the courage of her convictions.

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