

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

**JACK ABRAMOFF DOES NOT WANT YOU TO  
COSPONSOR THIS BILL**

**SUPPORT THE GOODLATTE BILL TO CRACK DOWN ON  
INTERNET GAMBLING**

February 15, 2006

Dear Colleague:

In the 106th Congress, Congressman Goodlatte introduced strong legislation to combat Internet gambling. This is the legislation that Jack Abramoff helped to kill with misinformation. In the 107th Congress, Congressman Goodlatte again introduced tough Internet gambling legislation, which was again attacked by Abramoff and his cronies and was the subject of widespread misinformation.

Next week, Congressman Goodlatte will reintroduce his legislation to criminalize Internet gambling to make clear once and for all that Internet gambling, not just sports-related betting, is illegal. This legislation increases the penalty for violations from up to 2 years to up to 5 years in prison and updates the Wire Act to make clear that it covers all new technologies, including Internet and wireless technologies, and not just wireline technologies. Furthermore, this legislation will prohibit the acceptance of electronic and other types of financial instruments as payment for bets and wagers. This comprehensive legislation is the toughest response to a problem that has gotten out of hand.

It is time to set the record straight on Internet gambling. To support this crackdown on Internet gambling, or for more information, please contact Branden Ritchie in Congressman Goodlatte's office at 5-5431 or [branden.ritchie@mail.house.gov](mailto:branden.ritchie@mail.house.gov).

Sincerely,

  
Bob Goodlatte  
Member of Congress

  
Joseph Pitts  
Member of Congress