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## House Votes to Stand Behind General Petraeus, Condemn Move-on.org's Cheap-Shot "Betray-Us" Ad

*Washington, D.C.* – Today, the House of Representatives adopted a Republican amendment condemning Move-on.org for their recent attack ad in the New York Times. The amendment also honored all members of our Armed Forces for their tireless commitment to the defense of our nation. **Congressman Bill Shuster** released the following statement upon adoption of this important amendment:

"Today, the House voted to stand behind General Petraeus and all of our troops engaged in the War on Terror by rejecting the despicable smear advertisement run by Move-on.org in the New York Times.

General David Petraeus was unanimously confirmed by the Senate to serve as our commander in Iraq. He was tasked with an immense undertaking in enacting his troop surge plan. The testimony he gave Congress two weeks ago was unvarnished, honest and unfiltered by the White House or anyone else.

Move-on.org's attack ad calling Petraeus 'Betray-us' was a disgusting example of dirty politics that not only disrespected the stellar career of one General, but the honor and integrity of our entire military. The adoption of this Republican amendment sends a unified message to Move-on and the fringe anti-war left that personal attacks and smear campaigns against our troops will not be tolerated.

While I am pleased that a majority of my Democratic colleagues voted in favor of this measure, I am unnerved by the fact that it took a procedural motion to get this issue to a vote. Speaker Pelosi and her inner circle stonewalled a previous effort to reject the attack ad for political reasons.

To this, I reiterate my stand that playing politics with our troops does nothing to move the debate on Iraq forward. Congress must be united as we tackle Islamic extremism in Iraq and beyond."

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