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FR: U.S. Rep. Dan Burton

RE: ERNARK Pledge

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From: Matt Kibbe [mattkibbe@freedomworks.org]
Sent: Saturday, March 08, 2008 1:30 PM
To: Walker, Mark
Subject: FreedomWorks Launches "No Earmarks Pledge"



Dear Member,

FreedomWorks is continuing the fight to stop the irresponsible and wasteful process known as "earmarking" by creating a simple, personal pledge for federal lawmakers. The pledge gives signers an opportunity to go on the record against the broken earmark process.

All current Members of Congress are being asked to sign the following statement:

"Earmarking," the practice by which members of Congress divert taxpayer funding to special projects outside of the normal competitive and merit-based review process, has grown out of control and is open to waste and abuse.

THEREFORE, I, DAN RUTON *Dan Ruton* In my capacity as CONGRESSMAN (congressman/senator/president), do hereby pledge that I will personally support spending reform in Congress by refusing to seek, support, or enact earmarks during the appropriations process for fiscal year 2009.

Those Members of Congress that are leading the fight against the corrupt earmarking process, including Senators Jim DeMint (R-SC) and Tom Coburn (R-OK) and Representatives Jeff Flake (R-AZ, 6) and Jeb Hensarling (R-TX, 5) have already signed the pledge. I hope you will join them in sending a bold message to the American taxpayers on the issue of earmarks and out of control spending.

You can download and print the pledge by clicking here: (<http://www.earmarkpledge.com/pledge.pdf>). Signed pledges should then be faxed back to FreedomWorks at 202-942-7649 or mailed to our offices at:

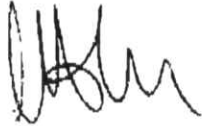
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The "No Earmarks Pledge" is a simple, straight-forward way to show the American people that you are serious about spending reform and ending Congress' corrupt

earmarking practice.

FreedomWorks is engaged in a multi-million dollar grassroots, educational effort to tell concerned taxpayers around the country about the pledge. We will keep track of who has had the courage to sign it, and who has refused - visit www.earmarkpledge.com to learn more. We are also seeking to hold a signing ceremony in Washington, D.C. with signers and our Chairman Dick Armey.

Sincerely,



Matt Kibbe
President
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