Patricia Lent
818 Marywood Dr
Royal Oak, MI 48067-1728

CitizenLetter

An urgent message from a concerned citizen.

May 13, 2008

Rep. Joe Knollenberg
U.S. House of Representatives
2349 Rayburn House Office Bldg
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Dear Rep. Joe Knollenberg,

I am writing to urge you to publicly endorse the Responsible Plan to End the War in Iraq.

The Responsible Plan is a comprehensive strategy to bring our troops home and move this disastrous war toward a conclusion. Developed by national security experts and by military officers who have served in Iraq, and endorsed by dozens of congressional candidates, the plan would start immediate withdrawal of U.S. troops, boost diplomacy in the Middle East and deploy international peacekeeping forces if needed.

It would also end some of the ugliest policy outgrowths of the war. It would ban torture, bar the use of armed mercenaries like Blackwater, limit government surveillance of American citizens, encourage media independence and rebuild many of the constitutional checks and balances demolished by the White House.

The Bush plan for Iraq is to prolong the mess and leave the problem for the next president. That's not a rational, ethical or affordable approach. The Responsible Plan is. I urge you to support it. Please tell me how you intend to address this issue.

Sincerely,

Patricia Lent

CitizenLetters are a service of CREDO.