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United States Senator
Vermont

Honorable Tom Reynolds, Chairman
National Republican Congressional Committee
320 First Street SE
Washington, DC 20003

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Via Fax 202-863-0693

Dear Chairman Reynolds,

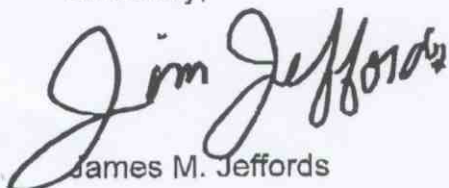
As I am sure you are aware, the NRCC is currently running an advertisement in Vermont in support of Martha Rainville for Congress. The lead-in for the ad displays my picture and name, which strongly implies that I am supporting General Rainville.

This is not true. Consequently, I am requesting you cease running the advertisement immediately.

I have advised all Vermont candidates for federal office that I did not want to get personally involved with their 2006 campaigns. This is still the case. However, I must advise that while I think Martha Rainville is a talented leader, I feel very strongly that the country will be better served with the Democrats gaining control of the House of Representatives in the 110th Congress. Therefore, for this election, I believe Peter Welch is a better choice for Vermont.

In light of the NRCC advertisement, by copy of my letter to you I am advising the Welch and Rainville campaigns of my feelings.

Sincerely,



James M. Jeffords

cc. Welch for Congress
Rainville for Congress