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The Honorable Ralph Regula
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Dear Congressman Regula,

On Wednesday September 22, you declined my offer to debate in four debates between now and Election Day. You responded that you would participate in public forums so the people would have the opportunity to compare, side by side, our visions for the future. Since then, you have failed to show up for the first two such forums: Medina County Chamber of Commerce (Sept. 28) and a public forum at the Canton Center Mall, yesterday.

With staggering job loss, rising health care premiums, and a war in Iraq the people deserve to know in what direction we will lead. After 32 years of service, you owe the people of the 16th District that respect.

Frankly, after the past few years during your quest for the Appropriations Chairmanship, you have shifted dramatically to the right. The people no longer know where you stand on the issues. The perception of an affable man working with both sides of the aisle has become nothing more than a fable, passed down from generation to generation.

So, I offer you one more opportunity to put your vision for the future on the record. I am inviting you to participate in an online Print Debate. This forum does not require you to travel, will allow you time to prepare your answers, and demonstrate that you do indeed understand the promise of the internet.

The debate would be hosted on printdebate.com and will take place throughout the month of October. Should you choose to participate, you would be required to respond by October 11, 2004. If you have any questions, please contact Jonathan Firestein, Director of the Print Debate Center at (415)516-2463.

I hope you recognize the enormous responsibility every Representative has in educating his or her constituents about their plans for the future.

Sincerely,

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