

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Robert W. Ney Chairman Committee on House Administration 1309 Longworth Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Ney,

As required by the rules of the House, we are writing to officially inform you of our intention to form the Congressional Rural Housing Caucus, and to request the registration of the Caucus as a Congressional Member Organization (CMO) with the Committee on House Administration.

The official purpose of this CMO will be to work on issues and legislation that will expand the availability of safe and affordable housing in rural America. The Congressional Rural Housing Caucus aims to make the American Dream of Homeownership a reality for all rural Americans. Finally, the Congressional Rural Housing Caucus intends to work to eliminate sub-standard housing conditions in rural communities.

The staff member designated to work on issues relating to the Congressional Rural Housing Caucus is Israel Rocha on Mr. Hinojosa's staff. He can be reached at (202) 225-2531. In addition to Mr. Rocha, Kate Tromble from Mr. Davis' staff will also assist the Congressional Rural Housing Caucus. Ms. Tromble can be reached at (202) 225-2665.

Please let us know if you have any further questions or require any additional information. Over the next few weeks, we will be sending in for your review our complete list of Members, list of officers, and a mission statement. With best wishes and highest regard, we are

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