

StopTheChamber.com Re-Offers \$200,000 Reward For Information Leading to the Arrest and Conviction of U.S. Chamber of Commerce CEO Tom Donohue

WASHINGTON, DC -- In December, the Stop The Chamber campaign, www.StopTheChamber.com, offered a \$200,000 reward for evidence leading to the arrest and conviction of U.S. Chamber of Commerce CEO Tom Donohue for a wide range of criminal activity. The campaign has provided a letter to the Department of Justice detailing such criminal activity, including complaints filed by attorneys and Attorneys General in numerous states, and also by non-profits such as Citizens for Reform and Ethics in Washington (CREW) and Public Citizen. StopTheChamber.com now re-offers that reward seeking direct evidence that will stand up in a court of law -- documents, affidavits, and testimony -- implicating Mr. Donohue for crimes including fraud, tax violations, campaign finance violations, money laundering, insider trading, election tampering, and criminal manipulations of pension funds. StopTheChamber.com wants to hear from insiders and whistleblowers possessing information not already in the public domain.

Specifically, StopTheChamber.com is seeking any evidence pertaining to 1) the period of Mr. Donohue's tenure at the Chamber and his membership on the boards of Sunrise Senior Living, Union Pacific, Qwest Communications (until 2005) and XM Satellite Radio (until 2008); 2) Mr. Donohue's fundraising activities at the Chamber over the past year to defeat health care, financial reform, campaign finance, environmental protection, and safety regulation, including what promises Mr. Donohue made to induce companies to give money to the Chamber; 3) the use of the Chamber to provide protection for the illegal activities of Massey Energy, BP Oil, Goldman Sachs and other companies under criminal investigation; 4) the illegal coordination between the Chamber and the Republican Party or its agents, including Karl Rove and American Crossroads; 5) the advice given to Chamber donors about how to circumvent campaign finance laws; 6) Mr. Donohue's knowledge of any bribes paid to federal officials or regulators to pass legislation or overlook safety or regulatory violations; 7) threats made by Mr. Donohue to intimidate staff, members, legislators or officials; 8) false reporting of Chamber finances to the IRS, including the misuse of 501(c)(3) funds; (9) any other criminal activity.

The information provided must lead to or result in the arrest and conviction of Tom Donohue. The identity of those who provide information will be kept strictly confidential. The campaign has set up two different ways to accept tips -- 1-888-4U-CHAMBR (1-888-482-4627) and tips@velvetrevolution.us. The campaign has created a "Wanted" poster to spread the word about this \$200,000 reward.http://www.velvetrevolution.us/stop_chamber/images/COC_Wanted_Poster_8.jpg.

StopTheChamber.com, a group of organizations dedicated to a clean, transparent, honest, and accountable government, has asked the Department of Justice to open a RICO investigation into the Chamber's activities. "The Chamber of Commerce, under the leadership of Tom Donohue, has used pay-to-play, opaque, dishonest and unaccountable practices to corrupt all branches of Government and the elections of our representatives," said coalition spokesperson and attorney Kevin Zeese. "The Chamber has siphoned hundreds of millions from corporate coffers to oppose common sense legislation that protects American citizens and now it plans to spend tens of millions more to corrupt the 2010 election. At a time of historic job losses, that money should be used to put people to work rather than to line the pockets of Tom

Donohue and his army of lobbyists. We want more insiders to come forward with documents and other hard evidence to add to our request for a criminal prosecution. Our reward is meant to assist both law enforcement authorities and those who make the courageous decision to expose the Chamber's criminal wrongdoing."

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