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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Office of the Speaker 107 North Main Street Concord, NH 03301-4988

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Dear Representatives Spillane, Sanborn and Cordelli:

This letter is pursuant to Representative Spillane's discussion with Speaker Jasper relative to use of space within the State House Complex and your commitment to produce and discuss a set of bylaws for the House Republican Alliance as an organization. Since the bylaws have not yet been produced or discussed, I must conclude that the HRA is an advocacy/lobbing organization.

As such, the use of space for your organization's activities in the State House Complex is hereby suspended. While I am open and available to discuss this suspension with you, I would suggest that in the meantime you reserve space near the State House Complex, as other organizations do, by making arrangements with the Historical Society, the meeting area attached to St. Paul's Church, or another venue. Likewise, member notices in the House Calendar can certainly be used to inform legislators of your meetings in other locations. The distribution of the HRA's "pink sheets" will now need to be done outside the chamber/anteroom, as is done by other groups.

I do want to stress that this subject is not new. Our concerns and the lack of bylaws and transparency within your organization had also been discussed with the previous HRA chairs.

If you wish to meet relative to the contents of this letter, please feel free to contact my executive assistant, Sandy Guinan, to set up an appointment.

Yours in good government,

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