

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Steve King today reacted to news that ACORN International will change its name Community Organizers International.

“I have been calling for both Congressional and FBI investigations of ACORN for months. ACORN has to be nuts to believe it can avoid criminal investigation by simply changing its name.□ What is next, grow a beard and wear a pair of sunglasses?

“ACORN has so stained its reputation that it feels it must re-name and re-brand itself. Changing its name to Community Organizers International is an attempt to capitalize on the positive image of ‘community organizers.’ Most community organizers do not cover up embezzlements, shake down lenders, corrupt the electoral process and engage in voter registration fraud.

“ACORN can change its name, but it remains a complex organizational and financial spiderweb with all the appearance of a criminal enterprise. Changing its name will not change the fact that the nut does not fall far from the tree.”