

*Congressman King responds to President's speech on the debt*

Washington, DC - Congressman Steve King (R-IA) released the following statement in response to the speech President Obama delivered today on the topic of the nation's debt and deficits.

"It should be clear that President Obama doesn't view the nation's debt crisis as a problem to be solved, but as a tool to be used to advance his own reelection hopes," said King. "In one speech, the President managed to hit all the notes that his demoralized liberal base wanted to hear: he played the class warfare card, he endorsed cutting defense spending, he demagogued Paul Ryan's 'Path to Prosperity,' he touted the unconstitutional ObamaCare law, and he even blamed Bush for the nation's current debt problems. While the speech may excite some on the far-left, it should be viewed with disappointment by Americans who were hoping that the President would put politics aside to work on behalf of cutting spending and lowering the nation's debt."

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